

FLOA meeting minutes for the Board of Directors meeting Saturday

July 20, 2024 at the Forest lakes Community Center

Present: Judy Nelson, Cal Phillips, Shari Massion, Dino Cerchie, Donna Brunton, Ron Williams, James DePriest, Rhonda Walters

Absent: Scott Keele

Judy Nelson called the meeting to order at 1:59 pm. Judy led us all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Report – Shari Massion moved to accept the June Minutes as written, Ron Williams 2nd the motion. All Ayes – No Nays the motion carried.

Judy Nelson gave the membership report. As of this date we have 570 members. It appears we receive a much better response when we send out an actual membership drive letter to all of the Forest Lakes owners/long term residents as opposed to email drive.

Dino Cerchie gave the June 2024 Financial Report. He said we are ahead of schedule on our income and our expenses are below the budgeted 2024 amount. We also have income coming in from the CD taken out last year. Right now, we are about \$17,000 ahead of our planned budget with another approximately \$2,000.00 that will post in July that was additional proceeds from the 4th of July event. Rhonda moved to accept the Treasurers Report, Shari Massion 2nd the motion. All Ayes and no Nays – the motion carried.

Judy Nelson made a point to thank Shari Massion and her rummage sale crew for all their hard work and income for FLOA.

Cal Phillips gave the June Facilities report stating the new big screen was installed in the FLOA house, new shed was updated with a bridge for more storage and the sound panels have been installed in the FLOA house.

Scott Keele, events coordinator, was not present but did send a message to be relayed to the membership.

He wanted to remind everyone of the facilities rule “All facilities that are used need to be left as they were found” Usage request applications need to be filled out for all usage.

Fabulous 4th Event Updates – New games were added this year, skeeball, basketball, axe throwing, washer toss, wheel of fortune etc. The balloon animals and face painters were

very busy! The food vendor was very good and was a hit. All in all the Fabulous 4th was fabulous!

Community Markets – The last market will be on Saturday Aug 3rd from 9am-12pm. At this point we have 17 vendors signed up for this market.

Movie Night was so well received, 2 new movie nights have been scheduled for 8/10/24 and 9/14/24. Joan Lebigot is sponsoring these events.

End of Season Sock Hop! Saturday 9/21/2024. More info to follow. We hope to see you all there!

Vacation Bible School (VBS) has put in a usage form for the dates 6/22/25 – 6/27/25. It will be approved.

Ron Williams reported he and Scott Keele will go through all the signs for the FLOA events and decide what will need to be replaced for the 2025 season, what is still useable and said we will need to order some signs with better verbiage to determine the exact date of the event. Ron also brought up the 7 new parking spots in front of the FLOA house. He wanted to thank everyone paying attention and parking between the painted lines.

The FLOA house will be used on July 30, 2025, for County elections. If interested in volunteering to help with the November election, please check with Coconino County to get registered.

Judy Nelson advised us that we hope to have 2 or 3 representatives from the County coming to our August Board Meeting. One is the new Director of the Economic Development Department, District 3 Supervisor Hess (we will be moving to District 3), and possibly our current Supervisor Judy Begay will be able to attend.

Cal Phillips discussed the new fencing on the North side of the FLOA property. Cal has received a bid to replace the 4ft chain link fence with a 6ft chain link fence with the privacy slats. We believe this will give the neighbors a little more privacy, peace and quiet. Stirling Fence is the company that put the fence on the Southside of the property and have given a very good bid for the North Side. The North neighbors, The Carlson's, have agreed to split the cost of the new fence 50/50 with FLOA. The total cost of the fence is \$7088, FLOA would be responsible for \$3544.00. Cal made a motion for FLOA board to approve entering into a contract with Stirling Fence to erect 220 ft of 6 ft privacy fence. Ron Williams 2nd the motion. All Ayes – No Nays – the motion carried.

We will need to elect a Nominating Committee for our September elections. We vote for 3 Board member positions every year. All 9 board members serve a 3-year term with 3 spots coming up for reelection every year. The board members whose term is up can decide if

they would like to run again. If they decide to run for the next session, they will be part of the election process along with any new member running for the position on the Sept 21, 2024 election. There are 4 members to the Nomination Committee including the Vice President as the chair of that committee. The Nominating Committee will try to find new people that may be willing to serve on the Board. We will need 2 or 3 members/residents to serve on the Nominating Committee. The 3 positions that are coming up for election are Judy Nelson, James DePriest and Shari Massion. Patty Phillips volunteered to serve on the committee as she has served on the Nominating Committee many years in the past. Ron Williams has also volunteered for the committee. Judy moved to approve Cal Phillips, Patty Phillips and Ron Williams as the new Nominating Committee. All Ayes – No Nays the motion carried. Patty Phillips wanted to let everyone know if you knew of anyone that would like to apply please let her know and she will be happy to contact them to make sure they have all the information and questions answered.

New Business-

FLOA is looking into sponsoring a weather station. Dino Cerchie has done quite a bit of research on the “air quality” sensor. Purpleair makes a sensor that will monitor the air quality at Forest Lakes. This is great when residents are inquiring about smoke in the air. The sensor and cord will run approximately \$300.00. Residents can find the air quality information by going to purpleair.com or Judy will be putting a link on the FLOA website. Dino will research how much more a full weather station would be to put in at the FLOA house or the Fire Department and report back to us in the August Board meeting. Ron Williams moved to purchase the “Air Quality” sensor for \$300.00. Judy 2nd the motion. All Ayes – No Nays Motions carried.

Cal Phillips reported that many residents felt we needed to install more of the sound boards to try and reduce the noise level at the FLOA house. The board approved for Cal to purchase more sound boards as needed. No vote necessary as there is money available in the facilities yearly budget.

Old Business-

Ron Williams will take on the project of refurbishing the map kiosk in front of the water department. Rob McKeever will provide a new map from the "Search and Rescue" committee.

Community Reports-

Gary Richardson spoke on behalf of the Water Department. The water department held a public meeting regarding raising the water rates for the first time in 12 years. The water department is facing a 23-project list costing up to \$5 Million to update the deteriorating

infrastructure. Some of the pipes are up to 50 years old. The rates are at \$28 per month and are being raised to \$42 a month. This change will go into effect Oct 1, 2024. The first time you will see the change is on the bill you receive in November.

Judy Nelson gave what information she had on the APS Full Community Generator plans. Her only contact for information/updates right now is a spokesman for Apache-Sitgreaves Forest. At this point they are still projecting the work to be completed prior to winter. The generator is supposed to be installed on FR237. Cal reported he drove out there on Monday and he did not see any activity. Judy will try and get an update and report back in August.

Dennis Massion will be hosting a Natural History of Arizona lecture (plants and animals of AZ) at the FLOA house on Monday 7/22/24 2:00pm – 4:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05pm