

## **Annual Meeting Forest Oaks Homes Association, Saturday, March 1, 2025**

The annual meeting of the Forest Oaks Homes Association was held on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at the Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church. The meeting began at 9:05 with Jeremy Wilson, president, presiding. Vice president Andrea Lafayette, treasurer Doug Weiss, secretary Corinne Hembree, social liaison Michelle Laytham and pool liaison, Brian Friesen, were in attendance. Nineteen households were represented (signed in) and four proxy documents were submitted for a total of 23, thus a quorum was met (25% of households, or 21).

Accomplishments from 2024 were reviewed: the FinCEN document (Financial Crimes Enforcement Network) was completed and filed - Doug Weiss graciously allowed his Personally Identifiable Information to be submitted. Several social activities were hosted at the pool; many thanks to Michelle Laytham who coordinated these events.

Treasurer, Doug Weiss, reviewed our financial outlook. Please review the powerpoint slides from the annual meeting for details. No increase in annual dues is recommended.

Of note, Atmos Gas Co. now considers us a commercial property and will not permit the gas to be disconnected for the 7 ½ or 8 months when the pool is not in use. Rather, they have a minimum \$90 charge per month which must be paid regardless of gas usage. Also, the City of Overland Park has passed off pool inspection to Johnson County, with the cost for license increasing from \$95 per year to \$390, payable by March 31 or the fee doubles. They have other requirements so new signs will be made. Among other things, **they require young people under the age of 14 to be accompanied by an adult.** We will no longer be required to have a dedicated telephone landline; just a sign saying to call 911 in an emergency.

Improvements occurred at the pool: a new pump was installed, filtration material was repacked for optimal cleaning; the pool was painted and the depth lines were refreshed. Electrical timers were replaced and a new gate was installed. Brian Friesen spoke about the possibility of purchasing a key fob system of entry to the pool, which we hope will eliminate code-sharing and trespassers.

Much needed landscaping improvements were made, at the 109th Terrace cul-de-sac and in front of the pool. Many thanks to the landscaping committee: BJ Thomas-Wilson, Darlene Vinduska, Shana Palla, Victoria Menninger and Andrea Lafayette. Thanks are also due to Jim Lafayette for providing the machine to push over and remove the mostly dead tree in said cul-de-sac, and Jeremy Wilson for his planting and diligent watering labor throughout Forest Oaks. All other cul-de-sac islands were cleaned up and refreshed with mulch and new plants, if needed. Possible for 2025: entry marker clean up and re-painting, and purchasing additional plants. Hiring lawn mowing service for the pool area will continue.

Jeremy Wilson and Corinne Hembree are completing their term on the board, and we had a board member move away in September, so three new nominees were required. Trevor Ramos

and Liz Savoy volunteered ahead of the meeting. At the meeting, Victoria Menninger volunteered to put her name in. It was moved by Mike Hembree and seconded by Carl Ostanek to accept the entire slate by acclamation and the voting members approved the election of the nominees.

Information was shared about issues with the USPS. Some neighbors have been contacting postal authorities and our representative to the U.S. Congress, Sharice Davids. Supposedly, USPS work orders have been submitted regarding the mailboxes. Corinne will continue to monitor this.

Speeding along 109th Street was (again) brought up. Homeowners wondered if a permanent sign showing a vehicle's speed might be installed by the city. Corinne will figure out whom to contact and will do so, then pass the info along to the current board.

The poor state of curbs and gutters was (again) brought up, and Corinne will initiate contact with the likely city or county entity, then pass that info along, as well.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15.