

FPHRA Board Meeting
May 16, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 pm at Nate Christensen's residence in Forest Park. A quorum was present. In attendance, Leslie Hakze, Allan Meyer, Nate Christensen, Sarah North, and Amy Stivers. Jeremy Fix was not in attendance. Ben Bow came briefly to discuss setting up a community garage sale but left after this discussion.

Minutes from last meeting:

Reviewed minutes from last meeting in April. Leslie noted a correction from the April minutes. She will be the treasurer—it had been noted that Amy Stivers would hold the secretary/treasurer position in the minutes. This correction was made to the minutes. Beautification is an at large position/committee and Leslie will continue to do this, as well. Sarah moved to approve the minutes with these corrections and all members were in favor.

Owner's Forum and Comments:

- Ben Bow expressed interest in having a community garage sale. Wants to have board help in advertising this to home-owners. Event to be held the weekend after the 4th of July.
- We could post this event on nextdoor.com. Sarah can also post on Forest Park Facebook site and see if it can be posted as an event that people could be invited to. Event could also be cross-posted on Facebook garage sale sites.
- Email blast could be sent to Forest Park residents and those interested could be directed to Ben Bow for information. Ben will create a spreadsheet of those that are interested. Sarah has the write-up for the email blast.
- Ben will create a couple of banners and/or signs to direct people for the event. Perhaps even provide donuts and coffee or something.
- Times for garage sales are usually 8-1. Event would go on all over the neighborhood, with people selling in their own street/yard.

Ben expressed interest in helping with social events with the board. He will attend the board meetings to help with this committee work for social. The notice of meetings will be sent to him.

Financial:

- Allan will work on getting the paperwork together to give check-signing capability to Leslie and Nate.
- Nate asked if the bank would allow us to get debit cards. Allan will check on this to see if that is feasible. This would be great for quick expenses such as for food and beverages for the 4th of July or Oktoberfest, or buying the flowers.
- Leslie asked about the possibility of using reserve funds to purchase a new play set for the pool area since the current one is in disrepair. We have enough capital funds for this purpose.

Pool:

- Everything seems to be on track for the pool opening. Practices have started for swim team.
- May 27th still opening day
- Clean-up day went well.
- Any leftover items? Play set roof was not done. Need to ask Jeremy who the family is that possibly built the old playset as an Eagle scout project. They expressed an interest in fixing the roof to Jeremy. We can fix the roof for now, but also research purchasing a new play set.
- Also look into purchasing basketball hoops for the tennis court. Get heavy duty kind that won't topple over easy. Continue with following the no skate rule on the court.
- Allan suggested we also look at resurfacing the court.
- Possibility of purchasing new play set to be set up in the back of the large grass area on north side of pool. This would still allow for room for the swim team meets. The current play set could stay there until we decide what to do with it. Maybe a spot for a community garden in the future.

Beautification:

- Need to get our planters back for the pool area. A resident borrowed these for her son's graduation party, but hasn't returned them. Leslie needs to ask Jeremy who this person is to ask them to return these soon.
- Planting of flowers will occur soon for opening day at the pool.
- We discussed removing the juniper bushes by the Jamison Ave. entrance signs at the last meeting. We can't paint the signs until this is done.
- Look into seeing if there is a landscaper in the neighborhood to help us figure out what to do with the signs and area. We'd like to remove the juniper bushes, add solar lights, add more rocks, and possibly plant some plants that don't need water.
- Nate mentioned a landscaper in the area that he has a card for. He will find this for next meeting to see if we can get a free estimate.

Social:

- Ice cream social is scheduled for June 6th 6-8 pm.
- We'll have just packaged ice cream (popsicles, ice cream sandwiches, etc.) so it's less messy.
- Sarah will post event on Facebook and send an email blast.
- Put on email that people can come to get their pool cards, get on the email list, also include a permission slip to ask people to put their names and contact info. in the directory. This could be an online directory on the new website, but we'd have to make sure to put it on a members-only login area.
- Ask if people have lost their pool cards (1 or both). Then we will know which card(s) to turn off.
- Pool rules will be going out in the June mailing, so we don't need to have these printed on hand at the social.

- Sarah will come up with the printed list of emails to have that night. Have people add or correct their email address for our email blasts.
- Amy and Nate will be out of town so won't be able to attend.
- Allan mentioned that Leslie does a nice job when people have died or have had family members that have died in the neighborhood, she buys flowers for the family.
- Stacey Fix volunteered to be the welcoming committee ("Welcome Wagon") for new residents moving into Forest Park.

Communications:

- The website situation is a mess. We have multiple sites and domains that we're paying for or that others have paid for, and we're not using.
- We should get rid of the FPbluefins site because this one is not even used any more by the swim team—they use the Swimtopia site. Someone named Brenda from Highlands 460 is the owner of our website/domain. We are paid up through April 2018 and it's unclear where this payment came from. Allan doesn't recall sending a payment—it seems to be an automatic payment, but we don't have a credit card. We want to look at getting the ownership transferred to us (Nate) and then see if we can ask to discontinue.
- FPHRA.com is through the Godaddy domain and is renewed through April 2018, as well. The last thing posted on one of these sites was from 2013.
- The event signs we have for yards have FPHRA still on there. But, Leslie said these are easy to replace if needed. We can keep both domains if we want. The Forest Park Centennial.com (Bluehost site) one will also stay unless we can get out of our contract.
- Sarah will continue to work on the wix website to add more to it. We can't go live until we can figure out how to shut down and/or link the other sites and domains.
- The current email list was sent to Nate by Hugh in a spreadsheet. Sarah will work on getting this consolidated and organized.
- Email list—rule of thumb for what types of messages to forward on to the community – use discretion with what is sent out from the board. If it's frivolous or unnecessary, it can go on Nextdoor or Facebook or the bulletin board at the pool.
- We can't figure out where to post on the old site or how to edit anything on there.
- Allan wondered if we should revive the block reps to distribute flyers to residents to get the word out on events.

New owners:

- Allan gets notified by the title company when someone closes on a home in Forest Park. Then he notifies the welcoming committee. They go over with a copy of the directory and find out names of kids and ages.
- For home-ownership changes, we need to streamline our process for ensuring we shut off the pool keys and give out new ones to the new residents.

New business:

Leslie will look at playset costs and send out info. on different sets and cost. She will look at the measurements. Need to find out if there is a need to have any different cushion material underneath the play set. Since it's our private land/pool, we don't have to worry about being to code like a public park does.

Next meeting:

Meet 6/13 so we have time prior to 4th of July to plan. Leslie will email Sue Santos to see if she's interested in helping with the games again. We'll have Ben Bow and Sherry Serna attend next meeting to help with social planning. We'll meet at the pool at 7 pm.