

**Forest Hills Neighborhood Association
Executive Committee Meeting**

Thursday, July 12, 2007

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Forest Hills Neighborhood Association was called to order at Tom Quinn's house at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 12, 2007.

Present were Tom Quinn (President), Karin Kacprzyński (Vice President), Linda & Ed Dunn (Treasurer) and Alex Neubert (Secretary). Also in attendance were the following street representatives: Ken Dodson and Jay Sackett. Colleen Heinle and Chuck Sorce were not in attendance. Also present was Anne Quinn.

Before the meeting began, the group discussed various ways to best notify the entire neighborhood about upcoming meeting dates and times and the fact that they are open to everyone. It was decided that, short of flyers door-to-door in advance of any meeting, the best way to provide notice was to direct people to Calendar of Events posted on the neighborhood website (www.foresthillsneighbors.org) and to send out an email blast to those email addresses on file.

Tom Quinn then called the meeting to order.

The first item of business was a review of the meeting minutes from May 10th. After a review of the minutes, and a motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved and the Secretary was directed to post them to the neighborhood website.

The next item of business was a review of the Treasurer's Report (attached below), which includes the year-end report for fiscal year ended May 31, 2006 and the budget for fiscal year 2007/2008. The group discussed generally the current budget to include (i) revenues and spending to date along with anticipated spending on social events and trash collection and (ii) this year's collection of association dues and trash collection fees. It was noted that neighborhood participation was very positive this year with 81 households paying association dues and 76 households paying for trash collection. The Association is billed monthly from Waste Management for trash collection and our current contract runs for approximately one more year. Ed Dunn agreed to call Waste Management in an attempt to negotiate a better rate. Lastly, Tom proposed that an effort be made to examine both revenues and expenses on a monthly basis in order to more closely monitor the neighborhood's yearly budget to ensure that we don't over-commit. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Treasurer's Report was approved and accepted.

The next item of business was a discussion of the Lake Crescent / Reforestation Project. The group was presented with letters that were circulated amongst the neighbors by other neighbors after the Town pumped the pond and was ready to begin the dredging process. Tom explained that a meeting took place Monday morning at Lake Crescent with certain neighbors and the Town and that a mutual agreement was reached to allow the Town to proceed as planned and that no trees will be removed unless they have to be. Tom noted that the Town had taken down one pine tree that was dying and that the Town has trimmed the willow tree.

Tom then went on to explain that with the water now pumped out of the pond, the Town has begun the dredging process. In doing so, the Town realized two things: First, that the pond has a clay liner that will determine the depth to approximately six to eight feet deep. None of the long time neighbors or the Town were aware of this clay liner. It was most likely lined years ago to help hold the water and to prevent it from draining through the sandy soil. The Town made it clear that it has no intention of breaching the liner; therefore, the depth of the pond after dredging will likely be no more than six to eight feet and there will only then be a certain, finite amount of volume to create the proposed berm. A second discovery was that the silt, which was removed from the pond, wasn't drying as quickly as the Town has hoped. A consultant was

brought in to look at the removed silt but no cause was found for the material to remain wet. As such, the Town, at its expense, has decided to mix mulch into the silt to act as a drying agent (as opposed to chemicals) in order to stiffen it up. The Town advised Tom that if the material doesn't harden, the Town would have no choice but to remove it. However, it appears that the mulch is aiding in drying the silt. Additionally, the mulch mixture, being organic in nature, would make the berm a stronger growing bed and give the berm a bit more bulk. Tom advised the group that there is a follow-up meeting with the Town on Friday at noon when the Town will determine whether the silt/mulch mixture is drying enough to be used for a berm or whether it will need to be hauled away. If the berm is created, we would not be able to plant any trees in it this year until it compacts and hardens more. After Friday's meeting, the Association will update the neighborhood on the status of the project.

The Town is waiting until all of its heavy equipment has left the neighborhood before it repaves Lake Crescent Drive. The tentative schedule for Lake Crescent paving and also the finishing the road work in the rest of the Forest Hills neighborhood is mid-August.

The next item of business was a discussion about Westwood Park. It was noted that the pump, which was recently installed to regulate the water level, is currently turned off. It was noted that the mosquito magnet needs repair, so that it may be started and used for the remainder of the summer. A group of neighbors are working to create a list of trees within the park area. Once the list is created, the Westwood neighbors will then discuss future directions. Karin will follow up with Terry Rogelstad to ask how the list is coming along. Tom requested that Karin speak with Tim Henry to schedule a follow up meeting late July.

The next item of business was a discussion about the Summer Picnic to be held in the Lake Crescent park area, which was originally scheduled for August 11th. Since the park area will probably not be conducive to a picnic, the group discussed moving the picnic to the fall. It was proposed that the Association reschedule the picnic to the Sunday after the neighborhood yard sale (September 16th)

The Executive Committee agreed that the Association's by-laws should be reviewed and revised.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for September 13, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Notes from the Friday meeting with the Town of Perinton and neighborhood representatives:

Attendees were Tom Beck from the Town of Perinton, Lake Crescent neighbors, other Forest Hill neighbors, and Frank Fulreader. The attempt to use mulch to dry out and stiffen the silt from the pond only worked to a limited degree. The material could only be piled to a limited height before it lost its shape. This was too low for the level needed to build the berm. Drying time would be too long before any functional use could be made of this material (for tree planting). The Town suggested that the material be removed to a Town site, spread out to allow it to dry and then be reevaluated. The Town said that they would haul the material back next year and build the berm to our requirements. This is the plan that is being executed today. The Town will finish removing the silt and haul it away. They will bring in topsoil and level and seed the damaged area. The Lake Crescent committee must meet to decide on a revised reforestation plan given the new circumstances.

**Forest Hills Neighborhood Association
Budget 6/1/07-5/31/08**

Expenses		Revenues
Trash Collection	16,647	Refuse Fees(\$220 per year) 16,427
Lawn Mowing	3,000	Association Dues(\$120/yr) 9,600
RG&E	750	Luminaria Sales 800
Insurance	325	Carryover from prev yr 1,104
Social		
Egg Hunt	75	
Welcome Com	250	
Annual Mtg	100	
Luminarias	300	
Picnics	300	
Halloween	100	
Neighborhood Directory	350	
Yard Sale	225	
	1,700	
Clerical	175	
FH Web Site	100	
Fh Historical Preservation	200	
Maintenance/Common Areas/reforestation	4,734	
Misc	300	
Total Expense	27,931	Total Income 27,931

7/5/2007

Notes: Carryover includes \$300 from fund raising.

Budget reflects payback of \$340 of \$1,349 loan to FH.