#### FOREST PARK PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION (FPPOA) GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING November 21, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Dickerson at 7:00 p.m. with the request to silence all cell phones, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

There were 74 in attendance. Since there was no quorum present, the meeting was informational only. However, with 74 attendees and 34 Absentee Ballots received, a sufficient quorum was obtained for the vote on the budget to be official.

### Roll Call:

<u>Officers</u>		<b>Directors</b>	
President, Bob Dickerson	Present	Jim Arthur	Present
1 <sup>st</sup> VP, Betty Campbell	Present	Jim Barnett	Present
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP, Jan Orlando	Present	Judy Birkhead	Present
Secretary, Bob Lang	Present	Pete Lawrence	Excused
Treasurer, John Wright	Present	Lou Smith	Present
		Richard Taylor	Present
		Jim Ullrey	Present
		Jack Watson	Present

**Vote On The 2014 Budget:** Ballots were collected and tabulated. The results were 91 "Yes" and 15 "No". **The Budget For 2014 Was Approved.** 

<u>Secretary, Bob Lang:</u> Minutes of the October 24, 2013 meeting were read. "Security" was misread as "Secretary" however the printed minutes are correct. Motion was made by Bernie Booth to accept. Seconded. Motion Carried.

<u>Treasurer's Report, John Wright:</u> September figures were used because accurate data through October was not yet available from Stroemer. (See Attachment "A") Motion was made by Mike Fanning to accept. Seconded. Motion Carried.

# **Speakers**

The animal trapper who was scheduled to speak tonight regarding Muscovy ducks had to cancel, but promised that he would be available to speak at a future meeting. His literature was included in the handouts.

# **Committee Reports**

**Jack Watson, For Mini-Golf:** Per the drawing on the handouts, locations "A" & "B" were reviewed by the committee (See Attachment "B"). Both locations are believed to be on solid ground. Location "B" would require the removal of about 16 trees, and would take up a prime location that could be used for any future expansion. The Lee County Department of Community Development says that either site is acceptable. The Mini-Golf committee has recommended Location "A" and the Board has voted in agreement. Once the membership vote is in on December 19th, our application for review will be made to the County and our New Construction committee will work with the Mini-Golf committee to proceed with the project.

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**John Wright, Termination Of Stroemer Accounting Contract:** John explained his proposal to terminate Stroemer, thus bring our bookkeeping back into the Office. We have been working toward this goal for the last 1 to 2 years. Using QuickBooks, we have run a parallel system during 2013. This is the respected industry standard for small businesses and one that is very known to temporary employment agencies should an emergency arise. In addition to significant cost savings, we expect to have financial data immediately available to us rather than the double handling and slow turn around from the outside firm. Before the first of the year we want a clear understanding of how members' payments that are processed by Automatic Clearing House (ACH) transaction will be transitioned. Because the F.P.P.O.A. bank accounts themselves are not changing, things should remain the same, unless a member changes their bank account information (bank routing number and/or member account number).

**Jim Arthur, Insurance:** Our policy & premiums for 2014 are where we expected them to be and as such are within the budgeted amount.

Jim Barnett, Planning: No Report. Feel free to contact this committee with ideas.

**Judy Birkhead, Pool:** We are "A-OK" per the County inspector. Of 110 pools that the inspector visits, ours is one of the cleanest & nicest. Similar praise was given to Jan & our maintenance crew for the spotless cleanliness of our rest rooms.

**Betty Campbell, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** No report. We had a nice summer. Keep your houses clean and looking beautiful.

**Bob Dickerson, Legal:** Lengthy discussion on the sale of the Weinrich lot. Members were overwhelmingly in support of the Bill Marron Realty suggested listing price for the property. The Board feels that any need for a resident to resolve a Muscovy duck problem (or other animal) on their property, is up to the resident. The pros & cons of speed bumps were discussed. There has been no recent information received from Comcast regarding their expected proposal.

**Delores Holmes, Nominating Committee:** Nominations from the floor are open. A current running sheet is posted on the Bulletin Board of candidates who have announced. January 8th will be a "Meet The Candidates Night."

**Bob Lang, Secretary's Report:** If you haven't already picked up your new Governing Documents booklet, please do so. Harold & Shirley Mundle at 5370 Forest Park Dr. have become our 390th member in the F.P.P.O.A. Beginning early next week, Absentee Ballots will be available for voting on the Mini-Golf location scheduled for the December 19th meeting. Absentee Ballots for the General election on January 9th will be available immediately. They must be exercised by write-in only as the official ballot cannot be prepared until December 26th and there is insufficient time between then and January 7th to process the necessary mailings. Thank you for your support over the past 2 years of my term of office. It has been my privilege to serve as your Secretary.

Pete Lawrence, Trash & Recreational Vehicle Area (RV Area): Excused, no report.

Jan Orlando, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: There was a lot of summer cleaning. We incurred a couple of

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small, inexpensive A/C repairs.

**Lou Smith, Security:** Mike Fanning spoke for Lou on Security Patrol. We need volunteers. Our Patrol is a very effective deterrent to the "would be" bad guys.

**Richard Taylor, Ditches & Drains:** We had a nice summer. We just bought a golf cart (utility vehicle) for the maintenance men for \$1300. This was an excellent purchase. It gives our maintenance personnel transportation when the truck is already in use. It eliminates the use of the tractor just for transportation sake, and it eats electric rather than gas or diesel fuel.

**Jim Ullrey, Cable Television & Security Cameras:** We are working on our doors for better manual & automatic (handicap) operation. Please condition yourself to use the heat-sensing pads to open & close the automatic doors. Pulling & pushing on them is a "no-no." We are looking to improve our camera coverage further west on Forest park Drive.

Jack Watson, Grounds & Beautification: Planting will be placed along the golf cart parking area. Palms to be placed along the south side of the Bocce courts to provide some shade. New cement will be needed for repairs to the Bocce court. There was discussion of a gazebo at Peace Lake.

**Doug Ford, Wi-Fi:** Thanks to Jim Schleter for his work this summer in keeping us up and running. Further improvements are in the mill. Thanks to Doug for the enormous work that he has done to support our system.

# Old Business None <u>New Business</u> None because of Informational Meeting, only.

### **Announcements**

**Social Club, Delores Holmes;** Next Saturday, dance in the Pavilion. Koffee Klatsch 1st Friday of the month. Saturday, Park Yard Sale. December 12th Holiday (free meat beverage & dessert) dinner. Attendees coordinate with one another for side dishes. New Years Eve 7:pm to 1:am will have a band.

**<u>Can Crushing, Ann Domingos:</u>** Please wash your cans, and remember to not include anything that is not aluminum.

**Becky Conrad, Christmas Parade:** Becky, speaking for Bo McClain asked that everyone who wants to participate in the Christmas parade bring a wrapped gift.

**Bernie Booth, Suncoast Christmas Toy Drive:** Please contribute. Do not wrap the gifts, as that will be done by others. The cutoff is december 12th.

Lou Smith, Salvation Army: There is a food donation box on the stage. Please donate.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. by motion of Wanda Dickerson, and seconded. Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted, Bob Lang, Secretary