

FONL MEETING MINUTES FOR January 28, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: President, Joe Harris called meeting to order at 7:31

ATTENDANCE: Joe Harris, Sam & Pam Chastain, Roy & Libby Fair, John Albano, Julie Belk, Jim Thompson, Sandra Clifford, Caroline Russu, Rob & Linda McNulty, Stanley Passafaro, Dennis Williams, Carolyn Lambert and Sherell Woods .

WELCOME VISTORS: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Lance Harvey was out of town but reported a current balance of \$6,541.19 via email. No known outstanding bills.

READING OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES: Minutes were accepted as posted in prior email.

OLD BUSINESS:

ARBOR/LATTICE IDEA AT MATHENY PARK: Pam read from Lance's email regarding the arbor for the pier pricing. "A pre-built structure would run between \$155-460, depending on strength so the \$460 price would make more sense. Additional cost for additional fencing, gate and hinges would run \$100 +/- . Total cost would be in \$600-700 range. First step, however, would be to get the HOA approval if someone could take the initial step." The group wanted more detail as to what the arbor would look like. Some were confusing this with a gazebo. Since Lance has details, we will discuss further at next month's meeting.

BIRDHOUSE CLEANING: Rob thought that the Purple Martin houses need repairing. They will know when cleaning. Rob, Joe and Dennis have volunteered to meet at Matheny Park on Sunday, 1/31 to clean and inspect the birdhouses. We voted and approved \$50-100 for repairs if they find repairs are needed.

FISHING TOURNAMENT: Lance has contacted Mark Hetkowski who chaired the event last year and he has agreed to chair again this year. More details to follow when Lance gets back into town and gets with Mark. It was mentioned that if anyone knew of any sponsors they could contact, getting that started would be helpful.

DANGER SIGNS: Last year, we approved the purchase of new Danger signs out on the lake. Lance has these signs and will get a team together to install when the weather gets warmer. He had been waiting until the solar light situation was resolved but it has now been tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

NEW GRASS CARP FOR THE LAKE: Rob brought up the fact that the lake is in need of grass carp. He has been hearing this from other fishermen. Rob had gotten in touch with Aquatic Environmental Services and got a quote for the purchase of the grass carp. The grass carp provides at least 5 years of reliable vegetation reduction. Restocking is recommended every 4-6 years. If we go with the 3 grass carp per acre – 324 fish, the total including delivery would be \$2673. Rob wanted to know if the FONL group would fund the purchase. Rob also suggested that the group fund a lake study through Electroshocking to determine the status of the fish in the lake. That would cost \$1350. After discussing both proposals, it was decided that Rob would approach the HOA for the funds for the grass carp and it was moved and approved that FONL would pay for the Electroshocking.

LAKE E-COLI TESTING: Roy let the group know that he will no longer be testing the lake for E-coli. Someone else in the group needs to take over these duties. Roy, Rick Cartwright, Mike Holmes and John Albano have been doing the testing. Others have been trained so there should be some members that can volunteer. We discussed a separate email to solicit help but Joe asked Roy to contact the prior people he has trained so they will know that he is stepping down and needs someone else to step up.

NEXT DOOR SITE: Someone complained that this site is starting to be just a Real Estate sales site.

SPRINGFEST: We started discussing this year's event. We have come up with a date of May 14th for the festival with May 21st as the rain date. Joe asked the group if they were interested in a different band this year. It was agreed that last year's band was a good one and would be good to ask them back. Sam will contact the band and see if they are available. More details will be discussed next month. Rob McNulty suggested that we hold this year's festival in Honor of David Clifford. The entire group agreed that this was a great idea.

FALLFEST: Joe suggested having a fall festival in addition to the Springfest. Everyone was receptive. It was mentioned that there have been fall festivals in the past years (not recent). Joe is going to look into getting some of Tracey's friends to volunteer. We will discuss later.

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Next FONL meeting will be held on February 25, 2016.