

FPHRA Board Meeting Minutes  
August 13, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Nate Christensen's house.

Roll Call

In attendance: Nate Christensen, Sarah North, Amy Stivers, Leslie Hakze, Jeremy Fix, and Neal Carter. Sherry Serna has resigned from the board. A quorum was present.

Minutes from last meeting:

- Sarah approved the minutes from our last meeting in July. Neal seconded. All were in favor.

Owner's forum and comments:

- The representative from Carver & Associates Insurance Services, Sally Magill, discussed the type of insurance coverage we have for our neighborhood. Our buildings and pool are older structures, so we are not able to have coverage that would cover full replacement if anything happened. Our coverage would only cover a portion of the cost of replacement. Our new entrance signs are covered. Jeremy asked if we could get more coverage since we've updated the walls and floors in the pool building. Even though we've updated things in the pool area and inside the building, the cost that we paid is still relatively low so this wouldn't be enough expense to increase our coverage. Since the outside walls/roof have not been updated, our coverage could not be increased. We could look around to other companies to see if there is any more coverage we can get. Aside from replacing the building, Sally didn't think this would change with another company. There is also insurance coverage for directors and officers of the board. Travelers covers the board for up to \$1 million.
- Rob Stuehrk—homeowner. Rob reports he moved into Forest Park 3 years ago in September. The pool is a great feature of the neighborhood and was the main draw for him to move into the neighborhood. He wants to propose to the board to consider extend the pool closing date further into September beyond Labor Day. The weather is typically still nice a few weeks into September. Average temperatures are still moderate and freeze damage doesn't appear to be an issue until later on. Nate wondered how the insurance is set up and if this would impact our coverage. Rob indicated this extension would not necessarily have to be with life guards on duty, but it could at least allow accessibility for those that have signed waivers to swim laps in the morning. Rob indicated that the swim team is at the pool early in the morning for the beginning of the season, which cuts down on the ability to swim laps in the morning for residents. He says it would be nice to be able to use the pool later in the season when it is not as crowded as it is early in the season. Bob Ordonio said the swim team doesn't access the pool until 7:00 am and lap swimmers would have priority up until then. Rob was worried they would be in the way, but Bob confirmed lap swimmers would be fine to use the pool during June mornings up until 7:00 am. Rob recognizes there may be an added cost involved, but he hopes the board can consider this request, especially if we have no life guard needs during this extension. Jeremy said that we used to offer the waivers for use after the pool closed in the evenings, as well as in the mornings, but then we had people abusing it and hanging out, BBQing, etc., which would put us in jeopardy of losing our insurance coverage if something happened. Nate reports it will cost more to keep the pool heated during this extension period. Another big factor is leaves falling, which impacts the filters. There would be added chemical costs, as well as, the pool company cost. Once the temperatures start to drop at night, it's hard to keep the pool at a comfortable temperature. We could at

least get a quote from the pool company on what this would cost for next year. Rob said even if it was for 2 more weeks into September, that would be great. Jeremy commented that we usually try to get the pool drained and covered prior to Oktoberfest, which is usually the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in September. Leslie asked if night swimming would be something he would be interested in if we tried that again. Rob said he would. If we did this, we would have to work with the life guards to have everyone exit the pool area, but those with lap access would be allowed to come back in to swim. For now, Jeremy can turn their key cards on for evening swimming for 8:30-10 pm. For next year, we can re-write the waiver and indicate that if you are caught using your lap swim access to have parties at the pool, swim lap privileges will be revoked. We can keep the pool open after Labor Day for a few days extra this year, up until the chemicals are taken out for the dog swim.

- Bob Ordonio is nearing the end of his term as the parent representative for the swim team. He wants to make sure the future members of the swim team are good stewards of the neighborhood and there is a good working relationship with the board. Bob would like to make it a standard that the lead parent rep and the controller for the Blue Fins Swim Team should live in the neighborhood. He feels then they would have a vested interest in what happens at our pool. Neal asked what would happen if only one Forest Park resident expressed interest in the lead position. Bob is not sure how that would be handled. Bob indicated he would also like to start a practice where a representative from the swim team attends some neighborhood board meetings leading up to and/or within the swim team season. The meetings for the swim team league happen to be the same night as our board meetings. Nate said when the reps are selected for the year, it would be good for the board to receive notification of this (i.e., names and contact information). Also, it would be great to have more advertising with the neighborhood about the home swim meets and the concessions, etc. to encourage neighbors to come out to spectate the event. Bob reports with the fund raising efforts from this year, they are looking to purchase a new pool cover and starting blocks. Bob also talked about an idea of selling luminaries to the neighborhood as a fundraiser for the swim team. The Knolls has done this and typically charges around \$9-10 for a dozen luminaries. The swim team could sell these to Forest Park residents through the website to decorate our community. Bob said the swim team would be willing to help organize different neighborhood events, as well. We used to have Easter Egg hunts at the pool, for example. The board suggested we could help promote the luminaries at the Oktoberfest event so residents learn about it if they don't go to the website. Bob also wanted to let us know some information about the guest pool memberships purchased through the swim team. These seem to have created a negative impact on the pool this year because of these guests bringing multiple extra guests each time they visit the pool. The swim team would like to discontinue selling these guest passes next year, with the possibility of being able to grandfather in the four families that have not abused this privilege who would like to continue to use it. We also could have a wait list and offer it to those four families first. Nate talked about an idea of issuing guest passes for each household with punch cards along with the pool membership. Then, if the family runs out of passes, they would have to purchase more. This may deter people from bringing multiple guests every time they come to the pool. We just want to be conscientious of the guest membership issue and come up with a solution that works for the neighborhood. It's a nice fundraiser for the swim team, and many families don't abuse the privilege. We can eliminate the program for those that abuse it, or we can just eliminate it completely.

#### Financial Report:

- We need to figure out how to avoid sending a new invoice for every late fee through Quickbooks. We should see if we can change it so you can just edit the existing invoice so it's not confusing on the amount that is owed with the late fees. We had a resident that had issues with this and Nate said it was really weird and confusing for them to know what amount to actually pay each month. So, Nate helped that resident and they worked it out. We want to avoid this trouble in the future. Currently, we are up-to-date on dues payments with almost every resident. There is only one resident that has a current late

fee, but everyone else is paid up.

#### Pool Report:

- The playground at the pool has fallen in disrepair. Jeremy will talk to Paul Denom, whose son built the playground years ago as an Eagle Scout project, to ask if he wants it. Jeremy has priced playgrounds out at Costco. The one he researched at Costco was \$1700, and we would have to put it together. Another estimate was \$9000 for another one elsewhere. We don't know anything about the requirements for the ground around the playground. This might be a question for the insurance company. We could possibly budget for this for next spring. If Paul doesn't want the playground, we could add it to the clean-up day list as a first-come, first-serve item for those that might want it (i.e., whole or parts).
- There are a lot of weeds around the pool area. Our current mower company, Fiske, is not licensed to spray for weeds. Leslie will call Weed Wranglers.
- Pool heater was not working well recently, after being cleaned out it's working better. But, we should look into getting it professionally cleaned and flushed out.
- Leslie asked if we might be able to look into soap dispensers for the restrooms at the pool and look at hand dryers instead of paper products? We would have to check on the wiring, but this would save money on paper costs and would be environmentally friendly. Jeremy said the paper products are purchased by Perfect Pools as part of our fee. But, we could still look at it being environmentally conscience.

#### Beautification Report:

- Leslie bought the life guard gifts and distributed them to the guards already since they are all leaving and going in different directions at the end of the summer.

#### Social:

- Oktoberfest—Leslie reports the band is booked. Leslie will call and just confirm it with them. Neal can get the beer--2 kegs. Costco business Center sells bigger quantities of food, so we could get the brats from there and save more money and trips to multiple stores.
- The dog swim is scheduled for 9/7/19.

#### Communications:

- Sarah reports there is a farmer's market on Wednesdays 10-2 in the old Albertson's parking lot August-October. Kathy Turley would like to send out a message to the neighborhood to promote it.
- Kathy Turley recommended a grant for up to \$15,000 that we can apply for to use towards neighborhood beautification. She may come to the next meeting to help us figure out the specifics of this.
- Sarah will send out a message to the neighborhood indicating that tomorrow is the last late night at the pool—call it a "back to school blast!"

#### Old Business:

- None

#### New business:

- Look into punch card passes and possibly clear all cards at the end of season and have everyone re-register so we have record of residents and who will use the pool. Off-season task.
- We can appoint someone to take the rest of Sherry's term or we can wait until the annual meeting and just take over the duties until then.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

#### Next meeting:

9/10/19 at 7 pm