

## Forest Home Improvement Association Officers Meeting

March 8, 2010

### Minutes

Those in attendance: Michael Bend, Drew Noden, Bill Arms, Jon Miller, Bruce and Doug Brittain, Beth Kelly. President Michael Bend called the meeting to order at the chapel around 7:05.

Agenda:

#### **1. Budget and Treasurer's Report:**

The budget report was presented by Bill Arms. A fiscal year of Oct. 1 - Sept 30<sup>th</sup> was agreed on. Paying off remaining debt to the Brittains (\$1,224.24) for the traffic calming project has been done. A yearly payment of \$500.00 to the Brittains has been customary, but since the final sum is in the treasury, FHIA agreed to pay in full. FHIA will purchase cleaning supplies for Spring Cleanup. Also, it was agreed to increase chapel dues from \$200 to \$250.00 per year.

#### **2. Directory update/ History Questionnaire**

Out of 112 households in Forest Home, 50 have handed in the questionnaire; only 28 gave permission for unprotected access to an online directory. Because so few people wanted open access, we will discontinue the password-protected directory and issue an updated paper directory. When the paper directory has circulated, we will take the online directory down. The questionnaire indicated residents have an interest in creating a history brochure.

#### **3. Update on Phase 2 Traffic Calming:**

Michael will contact Rich DePaulo, chair of the Town Public Works Committee, regarding presenting Phase 2 recommendations to that committee. Michael and Drew had presented these recommendations at the April meeting of the Town Public Works Committee hearing, but that committee decided that the appropriate starting point was the Planning Committee.

#### **4. Welcome Packets**

Michael Bend has welcome packets, and street captains will give them out to new residents. They will include: "Free Hollow: The First One Hundred Years of Forest Home" by Albert Force; walking tour and map; new resident directory; two trash tags; and recycling guidelines.

More details for the information packet will be brought up at the annual meeting.

#### **5. Traffic Calming:**

On April 12, advertising for bids went out and two meetings with the Town of Ithaca were held. The Pleasant Grove entrance is still not accurate. Rich DePaulo is the public works official working with us. He is waiting to see when the Town will get to these things.

Concerns have been raised about the stability of the wall between McIntyre & Forest Home Dr. We are consulting with Don Rackow about this.

**5. FHIA on Facebook:**

Jon Miller suggested there be more communication with e-mails. Michael will set up the Facebook page.

**6. Upcoming Events:**

Spring Cleanup will be Saturday, April 24.

A Music Event at the Chapel will be held on the May 22 weekend.

Bruce's walking tour is scheduled for April 17.

Next meeting date: April 26 at Forest Home Chapel.

Dani Novak has suggested regular dates be scheduled for annual events like spring cleanup and the annual October meeting.

**7. Adjournment:**

**The date for the annual meeting is Wed., Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**