

Forest Gate Board Meeting Minutes  
March 22, 2016

Meeting was called to order by President at 6:02 pm. Board members present: B. Wallace, B. Kenny, D. Saign, E. Pedersen, D. Messmer

Guests: Bob & Julie Crandall, Lot #4, Bob Cornwell, Lot #31

Treasurer Report: One homeowner is delinquent in paying 2016 dues. The only bills paid to date are electric for monument lighting and renewal of web page.

New Business:

Bob & Julie Crandall presented their plans for landscaping and building an outbuilding. They indicated the fence in the backyard and landscaping would be first on their timeline to be started next month. The Board reviewed the plans and as there were some concerns regarding the outbuilding placement to Lot #5 property line, the placement of the fence to Lot #3, and the deck railing, the plans were not approved. A letter from Lot #3 acknowledging the distance from property line to fence is needed. It was suggested that Bob Crandall contact the owner of Lot #5 to get a better idea of when the house plans will be submitted, as the placement of the house will have an effect on the eventual placement of the proposed outbuilding on Lot #4. The Board will review the plans once the documents and information are received.

Old Business:

- Trail Maintenance – According to the County trail plans and the plot plans of the Forest Gate development, the trail within the development is a private trail. We are responsible for its maintenance and we have the ability to prohibit the “public” from utilizing the trail. It was discussed that since it is our private trail, and we are responsible for the trail, perhaps we should create signage to be posted at the north and east entrances to the development trail indicating that it is a private trail and the public uses at its own risk. Bob Kenny is contacting the BF Trail Assoc. President to discuss options.
- Members of the Board walked the trail. Currently the trail is not in the trail easement between lots #43 and #44 as well as #46 and #47. It is solely on one lot. The Board discussed that the current trail should be filled in and redirected to within the easement. It was also discussed how we might prevent further erosion at three sections of the trail. Materials and costs were discussed and it was determined that the three areas could be completed with the money designated in the budget (plus the donations received from various home/lot owners). It was decided that the Board would schedule two weekends in June/July to work on the trail. A notice will be sent to the HOA outlining the need for volunteers and details on the type of work volunteers would be doing.
- While inspecting the trails this past week the Board noticed that there is still a lot of mistletoe, especially in the southeastern part of the subdivision. Even though a lot of branch trimming has been done for fire mitigation this does not control the disease. Many of the trees are significantly infected and have to be removed this Spring before the spores spread. A letter will be sent to the homeowners.
- Covenant non-Compliance issues. The Board discussed Covenant #25 “Vehicles and/or Equipment Storage”. There are many homeowners that are in violation of this covenant and it was agreed that the President would send a letter to all home/lot owners reminding them of this covenant and ask them to become compliant.
- Board Design Review list. This will be tabled until the next Board meeting.

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Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Saign, Secretary