

Pine Forest Board MEETING MINUTES
May 24, 2015

PRESENT: Kim Walter, Anne Fox, Lyn Frisch, Kent Hitch, Heather Dean, and Brad Sawtell

Meeting started 2:03 PM

Minutes read and approved from last meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

Review Election Process-Lyn

Ask Robin Nuffort to review our by-laws-Kim

Fire Wise Committee-Heather

Draft a letter to membership regarding tree thinning process-Kent and Brad

BOARD ELECTIONS

Board voted and elected the following positions

President-Kim Walters

Vice President-Anne Fox

Secretary- Lyn Frisch

Treasurer- Kent Hitch

Heather Dean was welcomed as our newest board member.

MEMBERSHIP/ELECTIONS

Lyn will take this project on to review and change the way we do elections, want to establish a formal election committee. Will ask Robin Nuffort to review our by-laws, she is a new property owner and attorney in Pine Forest.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING REVIEW

Meeting was thought to be successful. It was felt that the membership did support the idea of a garbage/recycling building. Became evident that the board needs to get more information about the thinning project out to the membership. This is a new and huge project for us, our plan is evolving as we learn and begin the process. Kent and Brad will draft a letter to be sent to the membership with more information regarding how this will affect each lot and how the process will occur. Brad shared some information with the board; Bill Berrigan of Berrigan Forestry is tagging trees for cutting in the fall. These trees are larger than 7 inches in diameter. His goal is to leave Pine Forest with a healthy forest that will need to be maintained. Bill has noticed we have had a large number of trees killed by the pine beetle. Some of these trees still look healthy as they still have needles but in fact are dead. They are referred as "standing live trees." Saul Labanauskas of Brothers Fire LLC will be cutting most of the trees that are marked. The larger trees will be cut first, then the smaller ones. Saul may ask other tree cutters to address some of the larger trees on steep slopes, getting these trees removed may require equipment he doesn't own. Who buys our timber will determine how and when the trees are cut, also our roads

will have some affect-what size logging truck can get where to remove the fallen trees. Bill will function as our broker with the lumber companies when it comes time to cut and sell. Please refer members to Brad Sawtell for any questions/concerns Members may have regarding the forest project and tree thinning.

FIRE WISE COMMITTEE

Heather will be the board representative and will ask for volunteers from the membership. So far Lynn Lewicki, Rose O'Donald, Heidi Anderson and Jim Wurzer have volunteered. Each home in Pine Forest will need to have a Fire Wise evaluation for Pine Forest to qualify as a Fire Wise community. Heather will keep the board informed of this committee's activities.

CASH FLOW

Kent presented a handout with cash flow and estimates of forest thinning costs. Hard to predict how much money we will get from timber revenue. Will not know for sure if we will need a special assessment for recycle facility in 2016.

Kim will be added to the on line bank account for more transparency regarding bill paying.

BOARD PRIORITIES

Fire Wise
Elections
By law review
Garbage facility
Architectural reviews

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyn Frisch, Secretary
May 26,2015