

**Lake Forest Community Association Board of Directors
Minutes of Jan, 2002**

The Board met at the home of Gene Cole's on 10 Jan 2002. In attendance were Steve Gilbert, Jim Evans, Evelyn Hempstead, Gene Cole, Harry Hopkins and Beverly Franklin.

The draft minutes of the November meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report

We spent \$1850 on grounds fees for mowing and fertilizer, and tree removal at the trailhead by Maritime Lane. We also spent \$150 for the Holiday Decoration Contest winners. We reviewed Gene's draft letter to the homeowners with 2002 fee information and collection notification.

New Business

Jim Evans is pursuing replacement of pipe stem signs that are in poor condition. Gene provided forms for Jim to order the signs from the County.

Harry mentioned that 54 new pictures are on the LFCA web site from the Holiday Decoration Contest.

Bev plans to write a spring newsletter. She needs articles of interest. Bev will call several asphalt contractors to review the condition of the trails and discuss bids for repairs.

Evelyn suggested that we consider a new plant arrangement for spring planting at the entrance signs to reduce the watering burden and to include heartier plants. Evelyn volunteered to contribute her personal time to replant the entrance signs this spring. It's time to plan now for spring planning. The Grounds Committee has been asked by the Board to develop a plant plan for the Entrance signs to be discussed at next month's meeting.

Steve thanks Harry, Bev and Gene for their help with the Holiday Contest. On 13 Dec, the Fairfax County Planning Commission met to discuss the monopole. There were 6 speakers from the Association. Steve was one of the speakers. He told the Commission that the Association members provided input indicating 5 to 1 were in favor of the monopole installation by the fire station. The Commission voted to approve the Monopole, with installation to be done this spring. Steve reiterated that

we must get an audit done of the LFCA funds in the very near future. Bev and Jim indicated that they would contact colleagues who may be interested in doing the audit. Steve indicated that we are paying more and more for grounds care, and the appearance of the common grounds does not appear to be improving. Steve requested the Grounds Committee determine how to bid out grounds care, and to start by developing a community map identifying the common grounds that need to be maintained. The Board intends to discuss specific plans at next month's meeting.

Next Board meeting will be held on 7 Feb at Evelyn's home at 7:30 pm - 8924 Peoria Court.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.