

Forest Hills East

For all Forest Hills East residents, courtesy of Forest Hills East Civic Association, Inc.

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Annual Dues: \$30 per household
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The Next General Meeting: Will be held on Tuesday, April 7th, at the church on the corner of Berry Hill and Grand. Social meet and greet 6:30 to 7 pm, regular meeting starting at 7 pm. We had discussed having a picnic at this meeting, but we were unable to get enough volunteers to help make this happen.

Guest Speakers: We hosted Pasco County Animal Control representatives at our March 7th meeting. They spoke about their shelter at Land O'Lakes and their low cost programs for cat and dog vaccinations and other care. Microchips are required. Pet euthanasia is less costly there than at most veterinary offices. They spoke about pet violations and how to report them. Taking photos, video and witnesses offer the best evidence for them to respond to a complaint. Dogs can not be tied outside and left alone. They spoke of the dog leash law, but said there is no leash requirement for cats (ever try to put a harness and leash on a cat?). The shelter saves 90% of the animals brought into the shelter. If you feed feral cats, please keep the food off walkways and sidewalks. Be respectful of the neighborhood and be a responsible care-giver.

Island Update: The "island" property owner has applied for wetland determination. Their application now says 176 townhomes. Our committee needs more help, especially finding the old settlement agreement that closed the lake from the river. Get involved now, if you feel you can offer help.

Committee Meetings: *Community Appearance Board* - a lot of Deed Restrictions were discussed. 1) The Board has asked for a report from the committee on their suggestions. If you have ideas, please review the Restrictions before the next General Meeting (can be downloaded from our web page). 2) Several discussions were about sheds and what the County and Association may do about those that have not been permitted, inspected or built to code. If a shed has not been properly built or secured it may present a debris and impact hazard during a severe weather event. This can be a liability to the owner and a dangerous risk to the community. The Association must consider the safety aspect for our community. 3) Parking of cars, boats, utility trailers, etc. was discussed. The county restrictions are primary, then our Deed Restrictions secondary. 4) We have identified a mixture of violations, but most are boat related. We are looking how to address this to accommodate the boaters in our community, while maintaining an aesthetic appearance in the community. We would like to solicit your thoughts on this. 5) RV's and trailers were discussed about water or electricity hook up and their use as living accommodations', which is a county restriction. We need more work and discussion on this one too 6) Businesses - we understand that times have changed and we need to update our view of home businesses. Some thoughts are that a business that does not rely on a customer visiting the residence may be acceptable. 7) We are still struggling with outdoor parking of commercial vehicles, acceptable vehicle size and signage. 8) One business activity we are examining closely is AirBnB type business. According to our Deed Restrictions these are prohibited. There are also county and state level guidelines regarding operations of these entities that must be followed.

Yard Sale: Still on for this weekend, March 25th 9am to 3pm.

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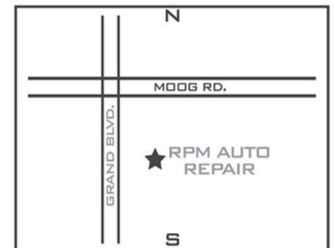
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