

## FOREST GLEN COMMUNITY CLUB

Minutes of June 8, 2010 meeting

Submitted by: Gayle Paprocki, Recording Secretary

- ❖ Meeting called to order by John Kolbash
- ❖ Minutes of February, 2010 meeting read and accepted
- ❖ Treasurer's report read and accepted
  
- ❖ GUEST SPEAKER – Tom LaPorte, Assistant Commissioner, Department of Water Management  
Mr. LaPorte talked about ways the DWM works with communities to minimize household flooding during heavy storms and the city's MeterSave program. New storm patterns marked by intensity, locality and brevity result in sewer system overload. Disconnecting downspouts and redirecting the water that would normally go into the sewer system can minimize household flooding. This is effective only when at least 70% of households in an affected area participate. The DWM is willing to work with local community groups to put the plan in place, including bringing out engineers to provide information and advice to interested home owners.  
Meter Save program – home owners that install a water meter through the city are insured their water costs will be capped for seven years, and can also receive a free rain barrel or meter that shows water usage. Chicago is one of the last large cities that does not meter water usage, and has 327,000 single family and two flats that are not metered. Currently water costs are assessed based on size of property and other factors. Residents can sign up at [www.metersave.org](http://www.metersave.org)
  
- ❖ OLD BUSINESS
  - OK for playlot construction given on June 2. Ornamental fence to be added.
  - Forest Glen bridge repair to start in July
  - GARAGE SALE UPDATE – 69 homes signed up.
  - WEB SITE UPDATE – 1,050 unique visits in May. Redesign discussions to begin soon.
  - CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS for Green Thumb (July 24-25) and 4<sup>th</sup> of July
  - Garage on Lawler is now up to code
  
- ❖ NEW BUSINESS
  - Police will put additional patrols in Forest Glen on June 12 for garage sale
  - Lots of work from garden volunteers. Discarded sod dumped at Edens Parkway garden site. Will talk with Park District about being able to reuse ties from playlot for Metra gardens.
  - New runway at O Hare might create an increase in night traffic. Sauganash area residents have asked Forest Glen to support petition to halt the new runway.

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July – parade kicks off at 10:00 AM. Need to check with church on times of Sunday services. Theme – your favorite patriotic song. Categories for the parade are: bikes, trikes, strollers, scooters, pets, floats.
- Introduction of John Arena, candidate for 45<sup>th</sup> Ward alderman