



Annual Meeting Minutes

August 15, 2017

APPROVED 8/21/18

Location: BBLI Association Lot

Board Members Present: Ingrid Jensen (Chair), Jeff Case (Treasurer), Jackie Dangl (Secretary), Shawn Marks, Wendy Mersman (Tech Officer), Mike Riley, Lorraine Nykun, Peder Nelson, Renee Lobert (Vice-Chair), Michael Wilson (alt.)

Other Members Present: Frank Walejewski, Jackie McCarty, Bill Cutler, Trish Cutler, Jerry and Jan Peterson, Dale and Marilyn Zimmerman, Michelle Richardson, Vern Decker, Dan and Melanie Yff, Jim Mersman, Shawn Mahoney, Dustin Wood, Susan Burke, Bryan Burke, Carly Birkhold, Holly Kooiker, Tom Kooiker, Lois Markoff, Wendy Gabriel, Kathy Cadwell, Tim Chesla, David Davis, Maeve Wilson, Lisa DeKruyter

I. Call to Order: 6:30PM

II. Welcome and Introductions (Board Members, Officers, Other Members)

III. Approval of 8/16/17 Annual Meeting Minutes: Deferred to 2018 Annual Meeting

IV. Treasurer's Report 7/31/17 (Treasurer Jeff Case)

A. Treasurer's Report:

1. Cash balance: \$13,067
2. Revenue YTD: \$10,506
3. Expenses: \$5,605

B. Comments: Membership is down (110 vs. 121 last year), but overall revenue is up vs. last year due to an increase in membership dues.

Motion made to accept Financial Report 7/31/17 by Tom Kooiker; 2nd by Peder Nelson.

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V. Lake Quality Report (Frank Walejewski)

Summary: Water quality in BBL is one of best in the area. Key chemical issue is a higher phosphorus level than in past (generally due to use of fertilizer contacting phosphorus and ash from lakeside burning/firepits.) Key plant concerns are Eurasian water milfoil and eel grass. Other large concern is to keep lake free of zebra mussels. See detailed reports on bigbrowerlake.com member area for detailed reports

BBL water quality is managed by the Lake Quality Board whose membership includes the county drain commissioner and lake residents: Ingrid Jensen, Frank Walejewski, and Jerry Peterson. Funding for water management is provided via \$125 property tax assessment on all lakefront properties.

VI. Corporate Business - Board Elections

- A. Board Member terms expiring: Lorraine Nykun, Mike Riley, Jeff Case. Alternate Board Member term expiring: Matt Parrott. Mike Wilson
- B. Members elected as Board Members for 3-year term:
 1. Mike Wilson

2. Lorraine Nykun
 3. Jeff Case
- C. Members elected as Alternate Board Members for 1-year term:
- A. Lois Markoff
 - B. Bryan Burke

VII. New Business

- A. Volunteers needed for trailer rentals – Mike Riley has managed trailer rentals for several years but is retiring from this role. The Board extends thanks for his service. Board is seeking volunteer to take on this responsibility.
- B. Neighborhood watch report – Dale Zimmerman has co-managed Neighborhood Watch (with Wendy Mersman) for BBLIA for several years but is retiring from this role. The Board extends thanks for his service. Note that only 2 reports have gone to Sheriff in last 2 years. Members should always report any theft or suspicious activity to ensure BBL remains a safe place.
- C. Lake Cleanup Day – A group of volunteers took 5 truck-loads to township for their clean-up day. The Board extends thanks for their service. Members were supportive of this service so Board will sponsor again in Spring 2018 (mid-May).
- D. Short-Stay Homes – Residents have expressed concerns with large, loud groups staying in short-stay rental homes. Board is aware of 3 lake homes that are advertised on AirBNB. The township ordinance prohibits use of homes for commercial use (e.g. hotels, short-stay.) Township is in process of rewriting ordinance regarding short-stay to clarify rules. Once it is rewritten, Board will request township to enforce.

VIII. President's State of the Lake Report

- A. Pavilion – painted and repaired the building, added new play area. Thanks to Dustin and Stephanie Wood, Michelle Richardson, Vern Decker for donations and installation. Member suggestion is to place cones around play area. Pavilion roof will need replacement soon. Board will consider launching a fundraiser to pay for it.
- B. Fish Planting – spent \$500 to acquire walleye, black crappie, and fat head minnows. Would like to double for November planting. Donations are welcome – Board will match up to \$250.
- C. Lake Access – Several members voiced concerns over parking around the boat launch. Board will pay close attention to what is happening there.
- D. Christmas Votive – Distributed to all members prior to Christmas.
- E. New Resident Welcome Basket – Barb Durham has managed Welcome Baskets for several years but is retiring from this role. Board Members will take on role for their assigned districts or another person may volunteer.
- F. Santa Gifts – Melanie Yff has managed Santa Gifts for several years but is retiring from this role. Board is seeking volunteer to take on this responsibility.
- G. Lot Mowing – The Board extends thanks to Ryan and Katie McComb for keeping the BBLIA lot mowed.
- H. 4th of July Activities – The Board extends thanks to all volunteers for their service with the fireworks, boat parade, fun run, etc.

IX. Adjournment

- A. Member Bill Cutler expressed appreciation, on behalf of BBLIA Members, to Ingrid Jensen and board for their service
- B. Meeting adjourned 8PM