

**Bay Lake Improvement Association
Annual Meeting
July 14, 2018
Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge
Approved July 13, 2019**

Officers/Directors	Present	Committee Chairs	Present
Bruce Johnson – President	X	Aquatic Plant Management – David Devins	
Phillip Rollins – VP & AIS Prevention	X	Beach Captains – Amy Grady	X
Chris Gondeck – Treasurer		Conservation – Steve Souder	X
Audrey Dietsch – Secretary	X	Environmental Fund Development –	
Terry Coss – Water Quality	X	Fishing Resources – Gary Malek	X
David Devins – Aquatic Plant Management		History – Paul Erickson	X
Josh Goolsbee – Fireworks	X	Legal – Amy Grady	X
Amy Grady – Legal – Beach Captains	X	Membership – Betty Marquardt	X
Bobbie Keller – Breezes	X	Runtilla – Jim Bye	X
Jennifer Qualen -		Security - Larry Latourneau	X
Chris Ruttger – Nominating	X	Shoreline Protection – Brent Souder	
Steve Souder - Conservation	X	Water Quality – Terry and Deb Coss	X
Open		Water Safety – Karl Krueger	
		Website - Scott Shekels	
		Block Party – Jennifer Qualen	
		Fishing Contest – Matt Qualen	X
		Fireworks – Josh Goolsbee & Charlie Zajicek	X

The Annual Meeting was called to order by President Bruce Johnson at 9:30 AM.

Bruce welcomed everyone and offered a special thanks to the Ruttger family and Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge for again hosting the Annual Meeting.

The meeting began with the opening invocation given by Mike Norman.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting were posted on the baylake.org website and reviewed by the Board of Directors. A motion was made to waive the reading of said minutes and approve them as presented. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Sam Gondeck presented the audited financial statements as of December 31, 2017 to the membership in the absence of Chris Gondeck. Sam provided a slide presentation of various pages from the auditor's report and stated that the association is in excellent financial condition. The report shows that for the year 2017 total revenues were \$231,480 and total expenses were \$153,907. BLIA's total net assets, as of December 31, 2017, were \$567,682. A motion was made by Jim Bye and seconded by Jane Rollins to approve the financial report as presented. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

PHOSPHOROUS IN BAY LAKE PRESENTATION

Sarah Fogderud, AW Research, gave an excellent presentation on phosphorus levels in Bay Lake. There has been a slight increase in the levels in the last 10 years. She stated the lake is in generally good health with stable water quality. There has also been an increase in chloride due to road salt and water softeners. Best practices to control these issues include the following: 1) Have a natural shoreline with native vegetation. 2) Keep your lawn taller, fertilize less and have a rain garden. 3) Have your fire pit away from the lake to prevent wash out of the ash. 4) Have your septic tanks inspected and pumped every 3 years.

2018 BAY LAKE HAMMER-HANDLE FISHING CONTEST

Matt Qualen gave a presentation on the Small Northern Fishing Contest to save Bay Lake Walleyes. This being a result of the overpopulation of Northern Pike in the lake. As of 7/13/18 1,480 small northern pike have been caught in Bay Lake. We are on pace to catch 3,500 small northern this summer. It was noted that there is a DNR possession limit of 10 Northern. Handouts with contest details and pictures were available at each table.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AIS Prevention

Phil Rollins provided an update on the AIS prevention program as follows:

- A small infestation of Zebra Mussels has been discovered in a couple of locations in Bay Lake.
- The Board is spending about \$15,000 per year for inspectors to be on site at the public access for 12 – 14 hours per day.
- 10 ZM detection devices have been hung from docks at different locations around Bay Lake and are checked regularly. Also, scuba divers periodically conduct underwater inspections of the public access area.
- Property owners are encouraged to ask their family members to occasionally check their dock poles and boat lifts for signs of Zebra Mussels, especially at the end of the season, when such equipment is pulled from the lake. Suspicious findings should be captured in zip-lock bags and reported immediately to Phil Rollins, Hansen's, or the DNR.

Water Quality

With 450 cabins on Bay Lake, Terry Coss again emphasized the importance of keeping phosphorus out of the lake as presented by Sarah Fogderud from AW Research.

Terry also reviewed the issue of Electric Shock Drowning. Dock lights, boat lifts and pumping equipment can spread over 100 feet away from the source of the electric current. He suggested that when you are gone from your property, shut down the shore power source. Also, turn off your breaker when people are swimming in the area. If there is a possible incident in the water with electric shock, do not go in the water, call 911, and turn off all power immediately. Never attempt to enter the water to rescue another. It is good to inspect your power sources for proper ground fault circuit interrupters.

Aquatic Plant Management

Bruce Johnson reported for David Devins. This year we treated Eurasian milfoil at 53 sites on 20 acres in June. Lake resident signatures are no longer required to treat the lake. Residents can opt out of having their shoreline treated by contacting David Devins. Samples will be taken again on Labor Day. The Fall treatment will be done the first week of October 2018.

Membership

Betty Marquardt thanked the members for their generous donations and support. She reported that to date we have about 500 members and our goal is 600 memberships.

Beach Captains

Amy Grady reported that 25 Welcome Books have been finished and distributed by the Beach Captains Committee for new lake property owners. More are done and available.

Amy reminded members that 2020 is the 50th Anniversary of BLIA. A committee has been formed, and they are working on activities to celebrate that milestone.

Upcoming Events

7th Annual Amazing Race

Nancy Latourneau reported on activities associated with the annual Amazing Race. It will be held on July 21 with the pre-race meeting on Church Island at 10:00 AM and the race beginning at 11:00 AM. There will be a host of volunteers conducting the challenges for the Teams signed up. Boats may have as many passengers as safety permits and the age group is 5 years of age and up.

Runtilla

Jim Bye reported that the 34th Annual Runtilla is August 4 this year. Registration will begin at 8:15 AM with the race beginning at 9:00 AM. You can register at Hansen's or obtain the registration form online at www.baylake.org. There is a registration fee of \$15.00 and you will receive a T- Shirt with each registration. A sponsorship of \$50 or more will get your name on the event T-shirts. They are encouraged, appreciated, and they are tax deductible. There will be a picnic following the event hosted by Dennis "Charlie" and Jackie Charles. To date \$325,000 has been raised for the BLIA Environmental Fund. \$32,000 was raised in 2017.

Family Block Party

Josh Goolsbee reported on plans for the Family Block Party scheduled for August 11, 2018, from 3:00 – 6:00 PM on Church Island. It is a BYOB2 event – bring your own beer and blankets. It will be an afternoon of fun, food, games, and more. Cost is \$15 per adult, \$10 for ages 11-15. Children ages 10 and under are free. Early registration is encouraged. Shuttle service will be available to the island.

Annual Trivia Fundraiser

Chris Ruttger reported that this year's Trivia Fundraiser event is scheduled for the evening of August 26. Last year's participants had a great time. All are welcome! The event is at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge and registration begins at 6:30 PM. The Trivia event will start at 7:00 pm. There will be six categories, 10 questions per category and up to eight people per team. The fee is \$20 per person. This includes appetizers, prizes and a lot of fun. There will be a cash bar and prize donations are welcome.

BLIA Holiday Party

Louise Sorenson reported the BLIA Holiday Party will be held at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge on Saturday, December 1, starting at 4:00 pm. 69 people were in attendance last December. With a change of day to Saturday, all are encouraged to attend.

New Year's Fireworks

Josh Goolsbee reported that the date for this year's fireworks is Saturday, December 29. He requested volunteers to assist with the upcoming event.

Board of Director Nominations

Chris Ruttger announced the following people are up for nomination to remain on the BLIA Board:

- Terry Coss
- David Devins
- Chris Gondeck
- Bruce Johnson

A motion was made to keep all 4 on the BLIA Board. Motion got a second and was unanimously approved.

Introduction of Our President to Be

Bruce Johnson introduced our new President to be – Phillip Rollins.

Member Questions & Other Business

Ron Mogen announced there is a group playing pickle ball every Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon at Ruttgers. It is open to anyone interested in playing.

Closing

Bobbie Keller and Ann Ruttger led the group in singing America the Beautiful.

Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey Dietsch, Secretary

8/4/2018