

**Bay Lake Improvement Association Board Meeting  
May 17, 2014  
Ruttger's Resort**

| <b>Officers/Directors</b>                             | <b>Present</b> | <b>Committee Chairs</b>                     | <b>Present</b> |
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| <b>Dominic Ciresi – President &amp; Development</b>   | <b>X</b>       | <b>Bye, Jim - Runtilla</b>                  |                |
| <b>Bruce Johnson – VP &amp; Development</b>           | <b>X</b>       | <b>Erickson, Paul – History</b>             |                |
| <b>Gondeck, Chris – Co-Treasurer, Water Safety</b>    |                | <b>Kelly, Mike - Legal</b>                  |                |
| <b>Graff, Sylvia - Co-Treasurer</b>                   | <b>X</b>       | <b>LaTourneau, Larry - Security</b>         |                |
| <b>Johnson, Tamara – Secretary &amp; Conservation</b> | <b>X</b>       | <b>Marquardt, Betty - Membership</b>        | <b>X</b>       |
| <b>Devins, David – Aquatic Plant Mgmt</b>             | <b>X</b>       | <b>Shekels, Scott - Website</b>             |                |
| <b>Goolsbee, Josh – Beach Captains</b>                |                | <b>Tripp, Tiffin – Shoreline Protection</b> |                |
| <b>Bale, Rick</b>                                     | <b>X</b>       | <b>Coss, Terry - Water Quality</b>          |                |
| <b>Keller, Bobbie – Breezes</b>                       |                | <b>Coss, Debby - Guest</b>                  |                |
| <b>Malek, Gary – Fishing Resources</b>                |                |   |                |
| <b>Rollins, Phil – Access Monitoring</b>              |                |   |                |
| <b>Ruttger, Chris - Nominating</b>                    |                |   |                |
| <b>Souder, Steve – Conservation and Runtilla</b>      | <b>X</b>       |   |                |

The Board meeting was called to order by President Dominic Ciresi at 9:02 am. Dominic said thank you to Ruttger's for their generosity and support.

**Minutes**

December 21, 2013 Secretary's report had been distributed by email and approved. Steve Souder motioned approval of the Minutes. Betty Marquardt and Bruce Johnson seconded.

**Treasurers' Reports**

Sylvia Graff reported that she had nothing new to report other than the account has \$0.43 of interest. Dominic Ciresi is waiting for the Donor List to be reconciled by Chris Gondeck and then a Board letter will go out to the members. Bruce Johnson motioned to approve the \$0.43 interest. Rick Bale seconded.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Membership**

Betty Marquardt reported that she can't give an official membership count because she has just received in the mail what she estimates to be about 185 new memberships. To date she has 18 members, 185 estimated new ones just received by mail and 31 online members. Betty said that she is receiving a lot more memberships online. She said it is much easier to join online. It is unofficial, but she believes she has received close to \$2,000.00 for fireworks. Betty questions when the letter goes out if there would be an option to give to the Environmental Fund if more would contribute to it. Rick Bale wanted to confirm that if you give to the Environmental Fund that one is not defaulted into the Association Membership. Bruce Johnson said it does put them on the mailing list. Betty said that the decal is very nice, less busy and very colorful (crimson blue and yellow). They should be in the week of May 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Environmental**

Plant and tree giveaway is scheduled for Saturday 5/24/14 from 10:00am – 12:00pm. Trees are ordered and will be delivered to the Lonesome Pine Restaurant. Josh Goolsbee, Steve Souder, Tiffin Tripp and Tamara Johnson will staff the event.

### **Aquatic Plant Management from David Devins:**

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### **Access Monitoring**

*Dominic Ciresi will email Phil Rollins that the access will be fully covered starting 5/15/14 from 7am – 7:00 pm until further notice.*

From Phil's 5/13/2014 email:

No Zebra Mussel was sighted in Bay Lake last fall as docks and lifts were removed. I'm optimistic that our robust inspection and monitor program has been an important factor in our dodging them and other new invasives. We're still fighting with the milfoil, spending a great deal of time and funds to control the weed as best we can.

Our lake association is again participating in the Crow Wing County Public Access Inspection Program. That is, we are paying DNR trained Class I and Class II inspectors

to check boats on our access from 7am-7pm daily. The inspectors started Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Occasionally, an inspector cannot meet his or her scheduled shift and we will continue to depend on volunteer monitors to fill those slots. For 2014, I'm looking for volunteers.

### **DNR Update**

### **Water Quality**

### **Golf Outing and Picnic**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Amazing Race**

### **Other**

Endowment/Reserve:

Dominic Ciresi suggested setting aside funds as a reserve/endowment to use as an emergency fund rather than just depositing it into an account where it receives very little return. David Devins suggests it be written with restrictions and covenants. He feels since the Board doesn't know what the money will be needed for the restrictions should be written with some flexibility and not too strict. Dominic thinks we should invite someone to come speak to the Board about endowments. Bruce Johnson suggested putting together a committee to research, talk about and bring thoughts to the Board and Members.

Beach Captains:

There was a discussion that the role has changed for Beach Captain's. In the past, Beach Captains would go door to door to reach out to cabin owners. With technology (email etc.) this may no longer be necessary. There will be more future discussions on this.

Fireworks:

Betty Marquardt said that a donor asked why the fireworks are not on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Dominic Ciresi said he would respond by email explaining why.

### **Adjournment**

Bruce Johnson called a motion to adjourn at 10:03 am. David Devins seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tamara Johnson  
Secretary