

**Bay Lake Improvement Association Meeting  
April 16, 2016  
Lonesome Pine**

<b>Officers/Directors</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Committee Chairs</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Bruce Johnson – President</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Paul Erickson – History</b>	
<b>Phil Rollins – Vice President Access Monitoring</b>		<b>Gary Malek – Fishing Resources</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Chris Gondeck – Co-Treasurer, Water Safety</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Jim Bye - Runtilla</b>	
<b>Sylvia Graff- Co-Treasurer</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Larry LaTourneau - Security</b>	
<b>Jennifer Qualen –Secretary</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Betty Marquardt- Membership</b>	
<b>David Devins – Aquatic Plant Mgmt</b>		<b>Scott Shekels - Website</b>	
<b>Josh Goolsbee – Beach Captains</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Tiffin Tripp – Shoreline Protection</b>	
<b>Dominic Ciresi – Past President</b>			
<b>Bobbie Keller – Breezes</b>			
<b>Amy Grady- Legal</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Guests</b>	
<b>Terry and Debbie Coss-Water Quality</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Kim, Kathy and Linda Orwoll</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Chris Ruttger - Nominating</b>			
<b>Steve Souder – Conservation and Runtilla</b>	<b>X</b>		

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Johnson at 10:10 AM. He welcomed all and thanked the Lonesome Pine and Josh and Amy Goolsbee for providing the space today and breakfast this morning.

## **Secretaries Report**

Jennifer Qualen - No prior minutes to approve at this time. The Bay Lake 2016 Social Events scheduled so far are as follows:

May 28 – Plant Tree Giveaway 10-12 pm at The Lonesome Pine  
July 2 - Fireworks 10 pm (dusk) Ruttgers  
July 3 – Beach Party 1:00 Church Island  
July 23 – Amazing Race 10 AM  
July 30 – Runtilla 9 AM Brighton Beach Rd  
Aug 28 – Trivia Contest Ruttgers time TBD  
Dec 4 – BLIA Holiday Party Ruttgers 4:00 Social Hour, 5:15 Dinner

## **Fireworks Report**

The Orwolls – Guest speakers Kim, Kathy and Linda Orwoll attended this meeting to discuss fireworks for the summer and winter 2016.

Meyers cabin causes fireworks to be moved from shoreline to almost exclusively on water. This being the case, the Orwolls are in need of more pontoons or platforms to transport the fireworks onto and off the lake and provide an area for shooting fireworks off. The 2 pontoons provided by the Malcherson family worked well, but not the docks.

## **Needs and Requests**

- 3-5 lower weight pontoons and or platform
- Volunteers for set up and take down the day before the event and after the event. Volunteers/workers need to be able to lift and carry heavy items. 4 volunteers each day for 4-5 hours.
- Volunteers for show day must be trained, training provided on April 30, 2016 in New Prague at no cost. Contact Kent Orwoll at 612-590-4555 if interested.
- Storage unit and racks protected from elements for firework tubes and supplies if able to keep up north. This would save time and money at show time.

- Money – if possible to raise or receive more funds to put on the show. At this time the show that is put on would run approximately \$15-17,000 dollars. \$500-\$1,000 more ideally.

### **Possible Solutions**

Bruce Johnson discussed increasing the current budget of \$10,000 for the summer show and \$2,000 for the winter show, to \$15,000. Creating a larger budget and spreading out the funds where needed, increased costs, purchasing boats, paying workers to help, as opposed to volunteers, as suggested by Chris Gondeck. Feels these people would be more reliable than a volunteer. Also asking Chris Ruttger if Ruttgers would be willing to contribute more to the fireworks show than they already contribute. As well as is there a possible area on property for storage?

Paul Erickson will be contacted to put a pontoon request in the blast as well as looking on Craigslist, salvage yards, Bay Lake Marine. Chris Gondeck will talk to Dean and Bruce Johnson to Mike Miner. Gary Malek will check into the possibility of a camp pontoon.

Sylvia Graff raised concern about where the extra money will come from, does not want to see it from the Environmental Fund.

No motions or votes were made on this topic. Tabled until May with the hope to gain information about getting pontoons from fore mentioned suggestions.

### **Treasurers Report**

Sylvia Graff presented a financial report stating a total balance of \$19,690.76. This number reflects totals of 13,240.17 in the CD located in Neighborhood National Bank and a checking account balance of 6,450.59. This reflects expenditures of \$2,000 from winter fireworks.

Chris Gondeck reported on financials, no hard copy given at this time. The 2016 expenditures to this point are \$1400. The reconciled donation deposits should be done on Monday April 18, 2016. The donor list will be out to the board soon. Taxes are due on May 15, 2016. We showed a deficit of \$20,000 last year.

Bruce Johnson made a request to Sylvia to have the Annual CD, when it matures, sent to Chris Gondeck as opposed to its present location.

Steve Souder moved to approve financials, Terry Coss 2<sup>nd</sup>, Financials approved.

### **Membership**

Bruce Johnson gave report for Betty Marquardt who was not present. According to Betty's report, we had 554 members last year. We had \$10,910 in donations for fireworks, with an increase in memorials dedicated to the fireworks fund last year. Online donations last year consisted of 91 at a cost of \$329.22. Membership to date this year is 8 with \$460 in fireworks donations.

### **Breezes**

Bobbi Kellor sent a request that any articles for Breezes to be submitted by May 1, 2016 so the first issue can be out before Memorial Day.

### **AIS Report**

Phil Rollins submitted a report in writing and reported to group by Bruce Johnson.

Jacob Frie will be our new contact in the county for the Crow Wing AIS program. Jake Hradsky oversees the inspections and scheduling for area lakes.

Here is the maximum program expenditure being requested for the Board to approve:

\$27,000 Bay Inspectors  
\$12,000 Crooked/Portage Inspectors  
\$2,200 iLids  
\$2,000 4 Scuba dives at access  
\$500 Testing and detection devices  
\$3,500 Reserve for unexpected expenses

With a total of \$47,200

### **Prevention**

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Bay Lake will plan through CWC Level 1 inspectors during daylight hours beginning late April thru ending in late September to early October. The increased number of lakes getting CWC paid inspectors means we will obtain a number of volunteer inspectors to fill in should there be instances with no inspector provided.

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To Do:

1. Decide on the start date and coverage to start the season. Fishing season starts May 14; although with the ice out, we are likely have boaters on the lake before then.
2. Confirm with CWC plan to accept 400 inspector hours – done
3. Confirm with ERC plan to use their temps for additional hours – done
4. File DNR grant for 375 subsidized inspector hours – done
5. Confirm with ERC that they will have enough inspectors to meet our requests – Done; ERC says they will have enough to start.
6. Confirm with DNR that they will have enough inspectors to meet their grant subsidized hours – Done, DNR does not currently have enough interns to meet the demand.
7. Confirm method for inspectors to use electronic tablets to capture boater information – County providing tablets to all inspectors.
8. Monitor inspectors throughout summer – Phil/CWC/DNR
9. Contact and get committed small group of volunteer monitors - Phil
10. Set up DNR training for volunteer monitors – DNR/Phil

Phil feels it is important that we continue assisting Crooked/Portage Lakes with financial support for inspectors Fri-Sun. With Crooked assuring us a \$1000 contribution to the cost, the balance left for us is \$12,000.

To do associated with Crooked/Portage:

1. Confirm BLIA wants to proceed as outlined above – Board Discussion
  2. Confirm with the Crooked/Portage Board that we wish to continue the program as outlined above - Phil
  3. Confirm the CWC 200 paid hours covered – Done
  4. Confirm the Crooked/Portage \$1000 contribution - Done
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5. Confirm with CWC that we will pay for hours not covered by CWC, DNR, or the Crooked/Portage assn. – Phil
6. Confirm DNR subsidized hours – None allocated.
7. Oversee inspection scheduling and shifts – Gary Anderson

### **Detection**

In-Water Devices, 12 installed in 2015. We will continue the program in 2016.

CWC Water Testing began with a ZM lake-testing program. We purchased the testing net and last summer Terry and Deb Coss conducted the inspection twice. The county will continue program in 2016 and we will again participate.

### **Monitoring**

iLids program will be continued this year with improved resolution cameras and blue tooth communication to the devices.

### **Response**

Rapid Response Plans have been developed with the DNR on some lakes to respond to the discovery of ZM's and/or other AIS. After looking at the response on Ruth and speaking with the lake services provider, Phil feels comfortable that should ZM's be found on Bay, in a small treatable area, the necessary services, through DNR could be accessed quickly. If found in a large area, it may not be possible to confine and treat.

Steve Souder motioned to approve report and Phillip's requested budget of \$47,200, Gary Malek 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

## **Water Control**

Terry Coss handed out a project bid from AW Research Laboratories.

Project: 2016 Summer TSI  
Bid details available upon request.  
Total for bid \$3,339.00

Sylvia Gaff moved to approve, Steve Souder 2<sup>nd</sup>, bid approved.

## **Election of Officers**

The following positions will now be filled by:  
Bruce Johnson- President  
Phil Rollins- Vice President/AIS

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Sylvia Gaff/Chris Gondeck – Co- Treasurers  
Jennifer Qualen- Secretary

Terry Coss moved to approve, Steve Souder 2<sup>nd</sup>, election approved.

A request was made about updating the by laws to move the time of year that the elections are held and approved from January to July at the Annual Meeting. Phil will look at them and draft paperwork.

### **Beach Captains**

Josh Goolsbee and committee will be working on reviving the plan now that summer season is to be underway. Welcome packets and info to be distributed to gain BLIA membership. Find out who the officers are on the smaller associations on the lake and get e-mail lists of the members. Invite the members/officers to our meetings.

### **Conservation**

Steve Souder has obtained the trees for the Tree/Plant Giveaway on May 28, 2016. All the trees/plants can be shipped for \$35 as opposed to having to pick them up. The board agreed this was a good cost and approved to spend the money for delivery.

Thank you to Don Hales for approving the use of Brighton Point Rd for the Runtilla on July 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fishing**

Gary Malek has asked to pursue the stocking of walleyes in the lake. Amongst a lot of discussion and difference of opinions of the matter a decision has been made to price it out and present a report in June.

Debbie Coss moved to adjourn at 12:00, Terry Coss 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved

Next meeting May21, 2016 9:00AM Ruttgers

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Qualen  
Secretary

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