

**Bay Lake Improvement Association Board Meeting**  
**May 19, 2018**  
**Ruttger's - 9:00 AM**

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Johnson at 9:00 AM. 11 of the 12 Board of Directors were present: Terry Coss, David Devins, Chris Gondeck, Josh Goolsbee, Amy Grady, Bruce Johnson, Bobbie Keller, Jennifer Qualen, Phil Rollins, Chris Ruttger and Steve Souder. Also attending were Debbie Coss, Audrey Dietsch, Sylvia Graff, Matt Herring, Anna Marie Landis, Larry LaTourneau, Gary Malek, Betty Marquardt, Mike Qualen, and Charlie Zajicek.

**Secretary's Report**

**September 2017 Minutes** – The word listed in the September 2017 Treasurer's Report as **Profits** YTD - \$109,314.25 should be changed to **Revenue** YTD, per Chris Gondeck. A Motion was made by Steve Souder to approve the minutes of the September 2017 meeting, as corrected, and seconded by Amy Grady. Motion passed.

**April 2018 Minutes** – A Motion was made by Betty Marquardt to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2018 board meeting and seconded by Debbie Coss. Motion passed.

Audrey Dietsch was announced as the new Secretary. Jennifer Qualen will remain on the Board.

**Treasurer's Report**

Chris Gondeck gave the Treasurer's report.

- Copies of the current BLIA Balance Sheet, Expenses, and Profit & Loss Statement were distributed.
- Income YTD - \$31,000.
- The funds, previously sent to Crow Wing County for AIS Inspectors is being returned due to a change in procedures announced by Crow Wing County. BLIA will now pay for inspector hours directly and not through Crow Wing County.
- A \$100,000 CD is coming due in June. Phil Rollins suggested we do some research to get the best rate. Chris Gondeck will do the research and make his recommendations.

A Motion was made by Phil Rollins to approve the treasurer's report and seconded by Amy Grady. Motion passed.

**Aquatic Plant Management**

David Devins reported the AIS inspection of the lake will start in a few weeks. The lake will be treated by mid-June. Same plan as last year.

**Membership**

Betty Marquardt reported that YTD we currently have 18 paid members. She stated that online enrollment is easier for her to process and is the preferred method; however, VANCO's online system currently prevents multiple entries on the same card, the same day. Chris Ruttger pointed out that this was to avoid getting charge backs from VANCO and the credit card issuers for erroneous entries made by mistake. Chris Ruttger will work with

VANCO and Scott Shekels to open up the system to allow multiple entries on 1 credit card. Betty also noted that Lakes Printing is in the process of getting our Spring membership mailing out.

### **Beach Captains**

Amy Grady reported there are 21 books to finish. Postcards have been made to put at various locations for newcomers to fill out their information and send back to Amy. Some have been placed at the Lonesome Pine, and they can be collected there. Other locations, such as Hanson's, will be considered.

### **Water Quality**

It was also suggested that a representative from AW Research make a brief presentation at the Annual Meeting on water quality and the impact of phosphorus in our lake. Terry Coss will contact AW Research.

### **AIS Prevention Report**

Phil Rollins reported the inspectors started the prior week and are on-site up to 14 hours a day. The program is launched. The zebra mussel detectors will be out soon. The i-lid camera at the public landing is now up and running for the season.

### **Other Committee Reports**

- Bobbie Keller reported the Spring/Summer issue of the Breezes has been printed and will be mailed out in the next week.
- Fireworks – Charlie Zajicek to ask Mike Miner to put the docks in. Charlie to get the cost and report back at the June meeting. There is a need for 2 more barge pontoons to use for fireworks setup and a need for volunteers to help in the setup. The fireworks will be on a Friday, and the docks need to be in the Wednesday prior. A Motion was made by Chris Gondeck to approve up to \$500 for dock installation and removal and Amy Grady seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **Old Business**

- Golf/Picnic Event–Matt Herring made a brief presentation on replacing the annual golf/picnic event with a golf/fishing event. He suggested that it be a 3-man team event to include a fishing segment and a golf segment. Matt will send an email to Bruce with some of the details of his idea and the Board will discuss at the June meeting. Charlie Zajicek volunteered to assist Matt. It was suggested that if a golf/fishing contest is to be held, it would be open **ONLY** to BLIA members.
- The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration planning for 2020 was brought up. A recommendation was made that a small committee be formed to work on it. Amy Grady said she has some names to recommend. She felt family with some long history on the lake would be a good start. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

## New Business

- Northern Pike Project – Mike Qualen made a presentation on “How to handle Northerns properly.” A fact sheet from the DNR was distributed outlining new regulations which benefit Bay Lake Walleye. Mike said the key objective is to get the small Northern Pike out of the lake. Mike outlined a possible BLIA event for a fishing contest to take as many small Northern Pike out of the lake as allowed by the DNR. It was suggested the contest be from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Amy Grady suggested doing a funny You-Tube video about cooking and cleaning Northerns that would be added to all Bay Lake Blasts. A display at the Annual Meeting was also suggested. Josh Goolsbee made a motion asking the Association for \$1,000 in prize money for a Northern Pike **ONLY** fishing contest subject to details Josh will present via email. Chris Gondeck seconded the motion. Motion Passed.
- Annual Calendar of Dates and Deadlines – Phil Rollins is working on developing this.
- Solar Lights for the Lake Buoys – Chris Gondeck suggested we invest in solar lights to place on top of the buoys marking our two main channels. Chris stated he is concerned about boater safety during the fireworks event and would probably use only during that event. They illuminate for 4 – 6 hours per night. David Devins recommended their use on the point by his place as well. Chris Gondeck is going to purchase a few and see how they work.
- Steve Souder recommended that in future announcements about the Memorial Weekend plant giveaway that they identify the plants as “Shoreline Protection” Plants.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Steve Souder moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 and seconded by Betty Marquardt. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Audrey Dietsch  
Secretary

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