



**Bay Lake Improvement Association
Board of Directors Meeting
April 25, 2020
Webex – 10:00 AM**

Welcome – The meeting was called to order by President Phil Rollins at 10:00 AM. The following Directors and Officers were present via Webex: Terry Coss, Audrey Dietsch, David Devins, Chris Gondeck, Josh Goolsbee, Amy Grady, Bobbie Keller, Jennifer Qualen, Matt Qualen, Phil Rollins, Chris Ruttger and Phil Malkerson. Committee Chairs present were Debbie Coss, Bruce Johnson, Betty Marquardt, Scott Shekels and Charlie Zajicek. Also attending was Gary Malek.

Secretary's Report – Audrey Dietsch presented the September 21, 2019, Board of Directors' meeting minutes for approval. **Motion** to approve the minutes was made by Amy Grady, seconded by Chris Gondeck and passed unanimously.

Financial Update – Chris Gondeck gave a 2019 preliminary financial summary and reported that BLIA reserves are in excellent shape. Revenues increased by approximately \$9,000 in 2019 compared to 2018 while expenses increased by approximately \$12,000. Investment income increased by approximately \$7,000 in 2019.

The preliminary financial statements show that the surplus; i.e., revenues plus investment income less expenses was approximately \$76,000 for 2019, approximately \$4,000 more than in 2018.

Chris to prepare a 2020 budget for the May board meeting.

Committee Reports

Membership – Betty Marquardt reported that only a few memberships have been renewed at this point and that a small amount of money has been contributed to the fireworks fund. Membership mailing would be made in May.

Aquatic Plant Management – David Devins reported the Spring EWM treatments will start around Memorial Day weather permitting. The budget will be the same or slightly less than in 2019. A \$6,000 grant for the treatments has been requested from the state.

Zebra Mussel Infestation, Workshops, Guidance – Phil Rollins reported that due to the COVID-19 restrictions, there will be no June workshop. The Board agreed that a ZM information resource should be developed for members – a “Best Practices Guide.” Volunteers are requested to assist.

AIS Prevention – 2020 CWC Inspector Program/Public Landing Inspections – Phil Rollins has told the county we want the same coverage as in recent years – 7am-7pm most days, every day, starting May 8, 2020. The DNR is still working to set up online training. Cost was \$16,231; estimate for 2020 is \$19,000.

iLids Camera on Public Landing – Phil Rollins reported that there will be new technology and a better camera, allowing for better remote operation with cost of about \$2,600, same as 2019.

AIS Decontamination Unit – Chris Gondeck and David Devins to investigate onsite AIS decontamination machines for use at the public lake access area.

Northern Pike Contest – Matt Qualen to evaluate organizing the contest for this summer.

50th Anniversary Celebration Update – A **Motion** was made by Amy Grady to postpone until 2021 all the 50th Anniversary Celebration events due to the Coronavirus pandemic. A second was made by Jennifer Qualen and passed unanimously.

Amy Grady will work with Shirts Plus of Aitkin to sell 50th Anniversary merchandise online.

COVID-19 Impact on 2020 Activities – Bruce Johnson reviewed the current MN restrictions and Phil requested all Board members to consider what BLIA can do to help with the COVID-19 response.

Upcoming Events

Shoreline Enhancement/Plant Day – May 23 - Postponed

Pontoon Parade – June 20 – Postponed to 2021

Music on the Lake – July 3 – Canceled

Fireworks – July 4 - TBD

Annual Meeting – July 11 – TBD.

Past President’s Lunch – July 11 – Postponed to 2021

Amazing Race - July 18- TBD

Runtilla –TBD

Block Party Picnic – TBD

Trivia Night – August 30 (tentative) – TBD

Northern Pike Program – TBD

Scott Shekels to investigate options for conducting the Annual Meeting online or otherwise remotely. Amy Grady to review the Bylaws for possible postponement of the Annual Meeting.

Bay Lake Breezes – Bobbie Keller will put out a Spring issue the end of May or early June with a deadline for articles of May 15.

Future Board Meetings – Next Board meeting is scheduled for May 16. Location TBD. Chris Ruttger offered a large meeting space that would allow for social distancing.

Items Postponed for Next Meeting

- 2020 Budget
- Membership Report
- Water Quality Report
- Northern Pike Contest
- BL 50 Volunteer Program
- Environmental Fund Update
- Youth Boat Operator Class

Adjourn – Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jennifer Qualen, seconded by Phil Malkerson and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Audrey Dietsch, Secretary
5/26/2020