

**Bay Lake Improvement Association
Annual Meeting Minutes
9:30 A.M., Saturday July 10, 2010
Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge**

Officers/Directors	Present	Committee Chairs	Present
Ruttger, Chris – President	X	Bye, Jim --Runtilla	X
Ciresi, Dominic – VP & Development	X	Erickson, Paul – History	X
Gondeck, Chris – Co-Treasurer	X	Hansen, Ruth - Continuity	X
Graff, Sylvia - Co-Treasurer	X	Johnson, Bruce - Taxes	X
Ysseldyke, Jim – Secretary & Fishing Contest	X	Kelly, Mike - Legal	X
Devins, David – Aquatic Plant Mgmt	X	Kraft, Joel – Fishing Contest	X
Jespersen, Patricia – Development & Nominating	X	Knutson, Don – Env Fund Assistant	X
Bale, Rick	X	Krueger, Karl – Water Safety	X
Jessen, Mark	X	Marquardt, Betty - Membership	X
Roloff, Mark – Water Quality	X	Nelson, Jim - Security	X
Keller, Bobbie – Breezes	X	Orwoll, Gregg - Fireworks	X
Malek, Gary – Fishing Resources	X	Poland, Jerry - Government	X
Souder, Steve – Conservation and Runtilla	X	Shekels, Scott - Website	X
		Souder, Tiffin – Shoreline Protection	X
		Goolsbee, Josh – Beach Captains	X
		Johnson, Tamara - Conservation	X

At 9:30 A.M. President Chris Ruttger called the meeting to order.
Jerry Hendricks led the BLIA with an opening prayer.

Previous Minutes

Minutes of the 2009 annual meeting were distributed. Phil Rollins moved approval of the minutes and that motion was seconded by Milan Sebek. The 2009 annual meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Chris Gondeck provided an audit report on the BLIA funds as of December 2009. He reported a balance of \$173,000 in cash and \$100,000 in CDs. He reported that for 2009 revenue was down \$29,000 and expenses were down \$2000. Chris indicated that the audit report will be posted on the BLIA website.

A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report and this was seconded. Motion approved.

Committee Reports

Membership Report

Betty Marquardt thanked those who have paid membership dues and indicated that as of the meeting we have 400 members and that our goal is 500 members. She encouraged multiple memberships from individual properties and encouraged those who have not yet done so to join the Association.

Aquatic Plant Management.

David Devins provided a report on aquatic plant management. He indicated that we have been continuing to control EWM in Bay Lake and have been doing so for 19 seasons. He reported that the spring survey taken in late May and early June by Buddy Diving found significant EWM and native vegetation growth due to early ice out with sunny dry conditions in March and April. What was found was considerably worse than last year. Approximately 34 acres on 40 sites were treated on June 22. David indicated that he anticipated treating close to maximum possible acreage this fall. He indicated this will mean higher spending this year in the range of \$140 to \$150 thousand. He encouraged giving to the environmental fund.

David Devins discussed the need for signatures every three years authorizing treatment along shorelines. He said he has received about 80 percent of the signatures needed and that signatures will be solicited over the next two months.

David reported that we are working with the DNR to update and renew our lake vegetation plan created in 2005. That plan then would be in place for 5 more years.

David indicated that we are considering with the DNR the use of some different chemicals, one in particular called Triclopyr. This may work better on drop off sites.

In August David will send EWM and zebra mussel ID cards and a return post card asking people to identify these by their shorelines. He reported that zebra mussels continue to be a serious threat to Bay Lake and discussed the importance of emptying all live well and bait containers before putting boats into Bay Lake. And, he encouraged people to volunteer to spend time monitoring the access.

A series of questions was asked. These were as follows:

1. What is the total cost for labor v chemicals? The divers cost about \$32,000 and the remainder is cost of chemicals.
2. How can we keep boats from driving through milfoil sites? It was indicated that this had been attempted in the past by marking areas with buoys. It was not successful.
3. How can we find out who has not provided signatures for treatment? David indicated the list was at a table in the back of the meeting room.
4. What does it cost to treat a larger section of EWM? The question was diverted for discussion later in the meeting.
5. Who controls how much we treat? The DNR.
6. Why are signatures necessary? It was indicated that residents need to give approval for treatment of the vegetation in front of their homes.
7. What is the effect of low lake level on milfoil growth? David indicated that there is a correlation with lower levels producing more stimulus for milfoil growth.

Dock Regulations

Chris Ruttger ran through the proposed regulations and indicated that there is a report on these on the BLIA website. He indicated that it is the role of the Association to inform the membership of proposed regulations, hearings on these regulations, etc.

Access Monitoring

Sylvia Graff reported that we had 598 ½ hours of access monitoring during 2009. She then introduced Phil and Jane Rollins who will be taking over access monitoring.

Phil Rollins described the access monitoring process and the training involved. He requested a core group to take two four-hour shifts in the remainder of the summer. He encouraged people to attend a training session on Saturday July 17 at Ruttger's. Josh offered a free dinner at Lonesome Pine to those who attend.

History

Paul Erickson reported on the status of history projects. Eight shorelines are done and 6 more shorelines will be completed during the year. Paul indicated that this is the last year of the History project.

Website

Paul Erickson reported on the website and on new developments. Paul is the new website reporter. He provided an overview of the new content.

Boating Safety and Etiquette

Chris Gondeck reviewed new safety and etiquette cards that will be distributed. He pointed out that if people take a boating safety course they can get a discount on their boating insurance.

Golf Tournament and Picnic

George Reynolds indicated that the golf scramble is scheduled for August 14. He indicated that receipts go to the environmental fund. He encouraged provision of door prizes.

Nominating

Patricia Jespersen presented the committee nominations for Board Officers for renewed three year terms. Nominated were Bobbie Keller, Gary Malek, Chris Ruttger and Jim Ysseldyke. A motion was made and seconded to approve the nominations by acclamation. The slate was elected by acclamation.

Main Presentation

Dominic Cirese and Patricia Jespersen, co-chairs of the Development Fund reported on the BLIA strategic plan. They reported on the vision, rationale for a plan, what we pay for, where we receive funds, major themes (water quality, invasive species, fishing resources and water safety). They identified the costs of various activities like treating one acre of EWM. The slides they used are available on the BLIA website.

Other Business

Chris Ruttger announced that Josh Goolsbee is now the head beach captain.

Patrick Gallagher, on behalf of Minna Gallagher, thanked volunteers who helped with the children's party.

It was announced that the Runtilla is July 24 and that the Holiday Party is December 11.

Steve Souder thanked Ruttgers for hosting the annual meeting.

Everyone joined in to sing "America the Beautiful," led by Bobbie Keller and accompanied by Mary Twomey.

Motion to adjourn was seconded and passed at 11:00.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jim Ysseldyke
Secretary