

**Bay Lake Improvement Association
Board Meeting Minutes
9:00 A.M., Saturday April 14, 2007
Lonesome Pine Resort**

Officers/Directors	Present	Committee Chairs	Present
Jespersen, Patricia – President	X	Albertson, Chuck - Conservation	
Ruttger, Chris – VP	X	Bye, Jim - Runtilla	
Gondeck, Chris – Co-Treasurer	X	Erickson, Paul –Nominating, History	
Graff, Sylvia - Co-Treasurer	X	Hanson, Ruth - Continuity	
Ysseldyke, Jim - Secretary	X	Kelly, Mike - Legal	
Devins, David – Aquatic Plant Mgmt	X	Kraft, Joel – Fishing Contest	
Hanson, George – Beach Captains		Knutson, Don – Env Fund Assistant	
Bale, Rick – Environmental Fund	X	Krueger, Kevin – Water Safety	
Jessen, Mark		Marquardt, Betty - Membership	X
Roloff, Mark	X	Nelson, Jim - Security	
Keller, Bobbie - Breezes		Orwoll, Gregg - Fireworks	
Malek, Gary – Fishing Resources	X	Parrish, John	
Souder, Steve – Conservation and Runtilla	X	Peterson, Tori – Shoreline Protection	
		Poland, Jerry - Government	X
		Shekels, Scott - Website	
		Souder, Tiffin – Shoreline Protection	

At 9:00 A.M. President Patricia Jespersen called the meeting to order. She welcomed guests Bruce Johnson, Greg Meyer, Brenda Olsen and Josh Goulsbee.

Previous Minutes

Minutes of the December, 2006 meeting were distributed. Steve Souder moved approval of the minutes and this was seconded by Betty Marquardt. Minutes approved.

Treasurer’s Report

Sylvia Graff reported that we had a balance in the Association Fund of \$27,542.68 as of 12/31/06. The current balance is \$28,257.89..

Chris Gondeck distributed statements for 12/31/06 and 3/31/07. He reported that we spent \$18,000 more than we took in during the past year. Rick Bale raised some questions about the balance of \$186,916.42 and Chris agreed to check receipts and expenses for the Environmental Fund.

Jerry Poland indicated that he will continue to look at interest rates for checking. We now have Association Insurance which includes Board Insurance.

Betty Marquardt made a motion to approve the treasurers' reports, and this was seconded by David Devins. Motion approved.

Membership

Betty Marquardt shared the new design of Bay Lake Association decals. She also passed around the new membership card which now has the correct PO Box. Betty reported that we have 8 or 9 memberships for 2007 and have received \$60 for fireworks. She is writing thank you notes for many memorial contributions received.

Aquatic Plant Management

David Devins reported that the Spring survey will be completed before Memorial Day. Signature letters are due this year and David indicated that he has received 420 back.

The permit has been sent to the DNR, and David indicated that he met with the DNR in March.

Public access monitoring was discussed. We will pay the DNR \$7500 for monitoring the access, and the Deerwood Lake Lions (the group formerly known as the Bay Lake Lionesses) will be paid \$10 to \$11 per hour to a total of \$2500. Lion training (in access monitoring) will occur at 5:30 on May 3 and additional volunteers are welcome.

A discussion was had about zebra mussels and reported that the DNR survey of Bay Lake Access showed that 10% of boaters entering the lake had been in waters infested with zebra mussels.

We also discussed the fact that there is a need to find ways to control the access at Hansens. Two major fishing tournaments are scheduled this year and for the tournaments the sponsoring groups will be asked to help with monitoring. There is proposed legislation to provide funds for access monitoring.

Jerry Poland reported on a move to lower the water level on Birch Lake, which could affect flowage to bay Lake. A short discussion followed.

Environmental Fund

Rick Bale indicated that the Spring letter seeking contributions is going out. The letter will include encouragement for people to get one other person to donate to the Environmental Fund. It will also include an appeal for people to give 10% more. Rick led a discussion about consistency of donations, and a discussion was held about those who donated in 2005 but not 2006, and about new donors.

We held a lengthy discussion about how to recognize memorials and planned giving. Bruce Johnson was present as a guest and suggested listing all memorial contributions in the recognition list. Others suggested a separate list for memorial contributions. The discussion included consideration about whether to list total (aggregate) contributions for a specific memorial, whether to list contributions individually, about whether to track cumulative contributions to a memorial, whether memorials should be grouped “categorically” by level of giving, about recognition v accounting for gifts, and about when to recognize memorial contributions in a specific category. Chris Ruttger made a motion that for all donations, both the donor and the memorial be recognized on the donor list. He further moved that recognition be treated separately from accounting, and that in the case of donated items of value, both the donor and the purchaser be recognized. Sylvia Graff seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

Rick Bale suggested that we have a group develop plans for seeking endowments and other forms of planned giving, and that the group also address the development of policies/procedures for donations. ***(NOTE: I believe we agreed to proceed with this, but I do not recall specific designation of a leader or group to follow up. Help?)***

Other Committee Reports

Government

Jerry Poland reported that the first Saturday in May is County Road 10 cleanup. He also indicated that Highway 10 road work is delayed to 2008.

Jerry distributed a handout regarding the Lakes Association entitled “Should Shoreline Rules be Made Mandatory?” Jerry made a motion that we send a letter to the Lakes Association indicating that we disagree with their direction and ending our membership. Steve Souder seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Jerry informed the Board about the status of dock proposals and indicated that he is working to have input at the legislative level.

Water Resources

Mark Roloff reported that there is a 20” deficit in the current water level on the lake.

Shoreline Preservation

Steve Souder reported that the tree give away is scheduled from 9-11 on Memorial Day weekend.

Church Island

Brenda Olson, Director of the camp was present. She reported that the easement for Church Island has been signed. Brenda expressed special thanks to Frank Tonnemaker and Chuck Malkerson. To date the rate of pledge payment is 100%. There will be a special celebration on Sunday May 27.

Building at the camp will be during Fall and winter 2007-08.

Website

Scott Shekels will come to the next meeting to talk about the website.

Security

No new news.

New Business

Board Policies

Patricia reported that Garey Malek, Jerry Poland and she had met to discuss toles and responsibilities of the Association in the community. It was indicated that the Association is an educational body rather than a regulatory body. A major issue talked about by the group was communication.

Annual Meeting

Greg Meyer suggested that we have the issue of methamphetamine distilling and use presented at the annual meeting. There was general consensus that the topic is very important, but likely not of high interest in the context of an Association annual meeting. It was recommended that minimally we have a table present in the room for distribution of materials and discussion. It was agreed that if there is a talk on the topic that it be limited to a maximum of 10 minutes.

Adjournment

Jerry Poland moved adjournment and Chris Gondeck seconded the motion. Motion approved. Patricia expressed thanks to Josh Goulsbee for hosting the meeting at Lonesome Pine. The next meeting is at Woodland Beach resort conference room on May 19.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Ysseldyke". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectively submitted,".

Jim Ysseldyke
Secretary