BLCA Board Meeting Minutes: JANUARY 2022

President: P/ Brad Kipp , VP: P / Adele Munsterman , Treasurer: A/ Diane Tiegs, Secretary: P/Debbie Stacey

Members: (Present = P Absent=A)

P AFFELDT, DEB

P ALGERS, SHELLY

P MACAULAY, MARGIE

P MILLER, LYNN

P MILLER, ROGER

P MUSACHIO, ROSALIE

A RUITER, SCOTT

A SIMONSON, PAMELA

Guest: Walt Munsterman, Cameron Graber, John Schnell, Kenzie Phelps

Social time from 8 to 8:30. Adele brought a treat

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:30 A.M. BY PRESIDENT BRAD KIPP

Presidents remarks: What’s everyone’s new years resolution. Most did not have one

Motion was made by Shelly Alger for Cameron to join the lake board Seconded by Deb Stacey. Motion passed. Welcome Cameron. Glad to have you with us.

Agenda was reviewed. Motion made by Roger Miller to approve agenda. Seconded by Rosalie Musachio. Motion passed

Motion made by Shelly Alger to adopt the minutes and notes from the past few meetings. Seconded by Margie Mccaulay. Motion passed.

Financials:

Diane not present so Brad presented the financials. Notes from Diane said that we spent what we budgeted. We did not make any money on fundraisers but that is more for exposure than a money maker. Motion made by Deb Stacey to accept the financials. Seconded by Deb Affeldt. Motion passed.

Debbie reported that our current membership is 268. January mailing going out next week. Brad has made copies and labels for the mailing. Had the membership signs made. All efforts have been made to make sure our list is up to date and correct.

Pamela was not in attendance to report on facebook.

Newsletter deadline will be the last week in January. Debbie will try a new word format for the newsletter where we can use different fonts, clip art and other things.

Cindy and Patrick Plant are doing the website. Website will be easier to navigate.

Logo’s were discussed. Which do we like better. It was decided that the second logo was preferred with the colors of the first logo put on the second one.

Financial page of the website was discussed. Do people need to be members of the BLCA to request a copy of the financials? Because we are a 501C3 the financials are public record so anyone could request a copy but we will not do all the detail on the website or in the newsletter. The membership list will NOT be on the website. There will also be an archive page on the website for old information about the BLCA, TLID, etc.

Roger is already working on the new directory and has contacted Peter Rengel to see if he will once again print the directory. No response as of yet.

Adele Munsterman reported that she is still spreading sunshine. Be sure to let her know if she needs to send a card.

Kenzie Phelps reported for Healthy Lakes and COLA. Kenzie made a plea to the BLCA board to find a chair or co-chair for Healthy Lakes It’s a very active committee of the board that started a long time ago to do a lake management plan for the lakes. There used to be a lot of DNR money but that has sort of dried up so they find funding other ways If a new chair or co-chair is not found, the group will not be able to continue. 2 years ago Scott and Kenzie said they would do it for one year. Now it has been two and so far no one has stepped up to do the job. It is an essential part of the BLCA. Cameron will attend the next meeting and become the new chair or possibly the new co-chair of the group. The group is the heart of the conservation arm of the association. Shelly went to her second cola meeting and said there was a lot of good information shared. Reminder to be sure to clean up after your fish house is removed from the lake. Debbie will put that in the next few newsletters.

Brad reported that we will be switching to PLM for our weeds and we will do a separate mailing to lake property owners. Will they do a spraying on Big Elk? Brad will check with them to see how they want to handle it.

Walt reported on water testing. The phosphorous has gone up even though the lakes were low. Don’t know why. Could be the boat traffic churning up the bottoms of the lakes. The more the water is stirred up, the more algae we will have. Most of the run off comes from the lakeshore properties. Info will be on the website.

John Schnell as a member of the TLID is frustrated about the weed issues and is proposing that the BLCA give property owners clear direction about how to care for the shoreline. The properties not being used are certainly not taking care of their shoreline. There are tools and equipment that can take care of weeds but they are expensive so monies would need to be set aside if that was the direction we went in. There is also concern about the floating weeds once they are killed.

No old business

Goals and objectives of the various committees are due to Brad by the next meeting.

Ice Days was discussed. There will be a 40x40 tent with heaters, Johnsonville donated brats. There will be 3 large banners and some smaller ones, Kinitski’s donates the buns for the brats and the condiments. There will be prizes for games. Vintage sleds will be there this year. So far $3,300 of the $4,000 has been spent.

They are looking for volunteers for setting up the tent and for clean up the next morning starting at 9.

Shelly would like to know where the wood frame signs are. Brad has 2 in his shed. Big Elk needs a wooden sign also. Debbie will check with Barb Tucker to see if she has one.

Deb Stacey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Deb Affeldt. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Stacey, Secretary

I will be bringing home made caramel rolls to the February meeting……

Upcoming Meetings:

TLID meeting: Monday, 2/7 6:00 P.M. (meets 1st mon/month)

Healthy Lakes: Thursday 2/3 6:30 P.M. (meets 1st Thurs)

Palmer Township meeting: Monday 2/14 7:00 P.M. (meets 2nd Mon)

Clear Lake Township meeting: Tuesday 2/15 7:00 P.M. (meets 3rd Tues)

BLCA Board Meeting Saturday, 2/12 8:30 A.M. (meets 2nd Sat)

Board of Adjustments Thursday 2/10 6:00 P.M. (meets 2nd Thurs)