

BLCA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES August 12, 2023 – 9:30 am

P Brad Kipp, President **P** Adele Munsterman, Vice President

A Robin Uchanski, Treasurer **A** Debbie Stacey, Secretary

Deb Affeldt A	Lynn Miller P
Shelly Alger-Peyton P	Roger Miller P
Rosalie Musachio P	Scott Ruiten P
Margie Macauley A	Tom Nordin P

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Brad Kipp called the meeting to order.

There were _____ people in attendance.

Introduction of board members and opening remarks.

Motion to accept agenda as presented: Ruth T., second: Roger M., motion passed.

Motion to accept June general meeting minutes: Shelly A.P., second: Tom M., motion passed

FINANCIALS: Robin was not in attendance so Brad presented the financials. The BLCA is on budget and on track.

Motion to accept the financials as presented: Roger M., Second: Rosalie M., motion passed.

Proposed budget discussion: A committee was formed to review the budget and recommend changes. On the committee was Scott R., Shelley A.P., Tom N., and Brad K.

Donations:

Fireworks – we have been picking up the balance of fireworks and budgeted \$9,500 to reflect our possible commitment.

Other Income:

Amazon Smile is no longer a contributor, this was a very small amount in the past.

Clear Lake Lions – they no longer contribute to the fireworks as it does not fall within their guidelines. We have gotten donations for technology, but we did not request anything this past year, so they are not in the budget.

Directory – expected to be a little less this year from \$6,000 to \$5,500.

McDonald’s Meats – are not doing fundraising booths this year, due to the remodel.

Palmer Day – Changed to \$10,000, this more accurately reflects the income anticipated.

Expenses:

AIS – Changed to \$4,500 from \$6,000 to more accurately reflect the expense.

The budget reflects a \$5,120 deficit. This is anticipated to be made up through donations.

Discussion on proposed budget:

Question about community foundation – how is this spent.

Motion to approve the budget as presented: Walt M. Seconded. Motion passed.

BOARD NOMINATIONS: The following board members will stay on for a 2 year term.

Shelly Alger-Peyton – President

Tom Nordin – Vice President

Brad Kipp – past board President

Open – Secretary

Margie McCauley

Rosalie Muschaio

A vote was held and all were approved for another 2 year term.

MEMBERSHIP: As of August, membership is at approximately 240 members.

FACEBOOK: Shelly, Dave, and Ruth will continue to monitor Facebook posts and make sure anyone posting on the page are members of the BLCA or advertise in the directory. Things are going well and currently there are approximately 3700 members.

NEWSLETTER: We will miss Deb Stacey, Brad K. will take over the newsletter.

DIRECTORY:

The directories were printed with many of the white pages entries missing. We now have 100 copies of the complete directory for anyone who wants one. There are also white pages available for anyone who wants one.

TLID: Scott R. -August 19, 2023 @ 10:00am is the TLID Annual meeting at the Palmer Townhall. At this meeting they will discuss the budget for 2024 and water and stabilization plans. They are busy getting ready for that meeting.

COLA: Shelly A.P. – There are 9 association in our COLA. Starry Trek is August 19 at Big Lake Township Park. The COLA is exploring AIS preventive tools at each launch.

HEALTHY LAKES

Ruth T. – Healthy Lakes meets the first Wednesday of the month. At 6:30.

Gentle Footprints and Plant Bank applications are available on facebook or contact Shelly A.P.

EVENTS & PROGRAMS:

Palmer Day – Shelly A.P. –This is a large fundraiser for the BLCA, we can do about \$10,00 in sales. Volunteers are needed for Palmer Day. Sign ups went around at the meeting. We raised prices on food last year and the prices will stay the same for this year. Volunteers are needed for Friday for set up, Saturday, Sept. 9 for the event and Sunday for clean up.

Big Elk Lake Park – Tom N. – Everything is on schedule, more will start to happen in the fall. September 23 will mark one year since the project started.

NEW BUSINESS

Opened to membership, there was no discussion.

Motion to adjourn: Shelly A.P., Second – motion passed.

There was a short social time and then Steve McComas - the Lake Detective spoke. The slides from his presentation will be put on the website.