

☒ President: Jodi Riddell
☒ Vice President: Dave Haggard
☒ Secretary: Lisa Behrens
____ Treasurer: Irene Crowley (notified absence)
☒ Director at Large: Lindy Moss
☒ Director at Large: Michael Dale
____ Director at Large: Vacant



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General Membership Meeting – October 14, 2025 – 7:00 PM
Big Lake Lions Recreation Center

DRAFT MINUTES

1.) Call to Order/ Determination of Quorum

By: Jodi Riddell Time: 7:03pm
Quorum: Yes Attendees: 29 audience members + 5 board members

2.) Pledge of Allegiance

3.) Agenda Approval

Motion to amend and add item to New Business: Dave Haggard Second: Yes
Motion to approve amended agenda: Lindy Moss Second: Yes

4.) Previous Meeting Minutes Approval (August 12 and September 9, 2025)

August 12 – Motion to approve: Lindy Moss Second: Yes Copy signed: Jodi Riddell
September 9 – Motion to approve: Michael Dale Second: Yes Copy signed: Jodi Riddell

5.) Treasurer's Report

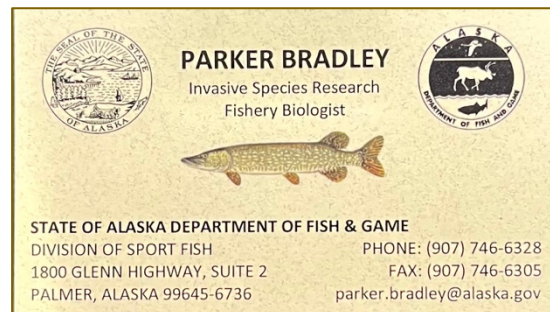
Checking #1 (Community Revenue Sharing funds): \$11,881.03
Savings #1 (Membership Dues): \$3,713.42
Money Market #1 (Jordan Lake Park project): \$59,256.02

6.) Membership Report

Voting Members renewed for 2025: **93** Associates (non-voting) renewed for 2025: **9**

7.) Presentation(s) (15 Minutes per presentation)

1. Michael Mazzacavatto – ADF & G Habitat Biologist
Video presentation: Salmon habitat restoration and population support
2. Parker Bradley – ADF & G Invasive Species Biologist
Video presentation: Pike and other invasive species threats to local sport fish populations.



8.) Reports

1. Legislative (State House & Senate)

Senator Shower: Update on road and infrastructure projects. Big Lake Road and other projects are funded, with work to occur in phases over the coming construction seasons.

Representative McCabe: not available

2. Assembly (District 5) Representative Gamble: in another meeting, sent reminder to community members to provide public comment on the fuel excise tax.

Reports – cont'd

3. Fire Service (West Lakes Fire Department) Chief Hightower: Reminder, October is Fire Safety month. Emphasis on volatility of lithium-ion batteries, particularly when left charging and unattended. Two structure fires occurred recently due to overcharged batteries exploding. Be sure to recycle batteries vs putting in trash. Announcement – WLFD will host trunk or treat this month, and the department is always looking for members. Also, WLFD Board of Supervisors has two openings, and applications are being accepted.
4. Road Service Area (RSA 21): Michael Dale: RIP (Road Improvement Project) list is in progress. Please contact Andrew Traxler to submit requests.

9.) Correspondence

1. Notice of Public Hearing – Stryken Subdivision
2. Community Announcement – Firewise Thank You Flier
3. Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility License Renewal – Herbal Dreams, LLC
4. Retail Marijuana Store License Renewal – Stash Cannabis Company, LLC

10.) Unfinished Business

1. Lake Setback Ordinance & Waterbody Setback Advisory Board – Update: Tabled
2. 2025 BLCC CIP (Community Improvement Projects) Committee – Update: No new info available

11.) New Business

1. 2025 Bylaws update draft discussion – Summary of changes provided by Jodi Riddell. General Membership will vote on bylaw amendments during the November 12 meeting.
2. BLCC Letter of Support for Big Lake Trails – Summary of need by Dave Haggard. Unanimous support from the membership, Dave Haggard will draft the letter and submit to Jodi Riddell for signature.

12.) Persons to be Heard (3 Minutes per person)

1. Larry McKinstry – Jordan Lake Park project update. Soccer field and pickleball courts in progress. Water well to be drilled later this month. 40 landscaping trees have been planted, with funds remaining to add more next year. Jordan Lake Park committee attended Mat Su Health Foundation health summit and secured \$25,000 grant money for future work on the Jordan Lake Park project.
2. George Rauscher – District 29 introduction and “Hello” to the council
3. Keith Dobson – Announcement: Big Lake Chamber of Commerce, After Hours Business Networking Social event: November 5th 7:00-9:00pm at Susitna Brewing Company Café.
4. Jim Faiks – Status update on future construction project to reroute Jolly Creek drainage.

13.) Audience Participation (3 Minutes per person)

1. none

14.) Announcements

1. Trunk or Treat is coming up; there are various candy drops at businesses around the community.

15.) Board Member Closing Comments

1. Jodi Riddell:
2. Dave Haggard:
3. Irene Crowley:
4. Lindy Moss:
5. Michael Dale: Winter is coming, remember to check heating stoves, chimneys, vehicle lights, etc.
6. Lisa Behrens:

16.) Adjournment

By: Michael Dale Second: Yes Time: 8:08pm

Signature – Jodi Riddell, President – Big Lake Community Council

Date

Attestation – Lisa Behrens, Secretary – Big Lake Community Council

Date