

**Lobdell-Bennett Lake Association Meeting Minutes**  
**Argentine Township Hall**  
**May 29, 2019**

**Attendance:**

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

<b>Board Members</b>	2/27/19	4/24/19	5/29/19						
Marty Vyskocil	X	X	X						
Pat Gallemore	X	X	X						
Tod Fisher		X	X						
Ben Kiehl	X	X	X						

<b>District Reps</b>	District #	2/27/19	4/2/19	5/29/19					
John Lescelius	1	X	X	x					
Marcus Pahl	1			x					
Teri Hough	2			x					
Doug Springer	3	X	X	x					
Jim Vargo	3	X	X	x					
Matt Fredrick	4	X	X	x					
Leonard Brown	5	X	X	x					
Jim Alchin	6	X	X	x					
Tony Minjatel	6	X	X	x					
Paul McEwen	6	X	X	x					
Rick Kursik	7	X	X	x					
John Varilek	7		X						

**Guest Speaker:**

Doug McLaughlin, Ph.D. of Kieser&Associates addressed the meeting. He introduced himself and his company as a contractor working with Dr. Doug Pullman to treat Lobdell Lake this coming year. He informed the group that the next treatment would be on May 30, 2019. He fielded questions but deferred answers pending review and consultation with Dr. Pullman.

**Secretary's Report:**

The Meeting Minutes of the April 24, 2019 meeting were reviewed. A typo was pointed out and the minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's Report of 4/24/19 to 5/29/19 was reviewed and approved.

**President's Report:**

Marty Vyskocil reported that a Boater's Safety Class would be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019. Jim Fry will instruct again this year. Registration will begin at 11:45. The class will be from 12:00 to 5:00 pm with final exam from 5:00 to 6:00 pm. The Boater's Safety Class certificate will be issued upon the successful completion of the exam. The class will be held in the local Fire Hall conference room. Cost is \$25.00 per student \$12 of which goes to the instructor. Sign up can be accomplished by going to the LBLA Web Site. Marty will put up posters, contact the Tri-County Times to publicize the class. Children who attain the age of 12 by August 1<sup>st</sup> must have the safety certificate to operate a water craft.

Jim Alchin and Paul McEwen volunteered to assist Jim Fry with the class again this year.

**Vice President's Report:**

Passed

**Web Management:**

Marty announced that Viola Sprague is our new web manager. Last month Viola renewed our Go Daddy web contract and got us a very good price on our new web services. She just launched our new web site. As soon as Jim Vargo provides an updated list of members Viola will repost that on the new web site. This list will show who's dues are up to date and who's are delinquent. Viola can always use pictures so please provide. Please send people to the web site.

Discussion around social media occurred. Nextdoor was discussed and Marty mentioned that there are two Lobdell Facebook sites, one is Lobdell Lake and the other Lobdell Lake Calendar. That makes four social media sites covering Lobdell Lake issues when you include the LBLA Lake Association web site. There was a complaint that the Lobdell Lake website was strongly promoting filling up the Lobdell Lake swim hole with boaters the upcoming weekend. Suggested we ask the web site manager to tone it down a bit. Obviously encouraging excessive use of the lake does no favors for the raparians.

**Membership:**

Jim Vargo reported he received the Bluegill Island membership updates this evening so he will be able to put the finishing touches on the Membership List and send it to Viola for the Lake Association Web Site. He will forward a full list to Marty. He has the weed assessment list from Argentine Township. He will compare addresses and names and further purge errors from our membership list. He'll send a pdf of the Membership List with addresses to the District Representatives and ask them to help identify any corrections that may need to be made. Marty asked that this list be kept confidential by the District Reps. One hundred forty three of 697 raparians are dues paying members of the Lake Association. Membership is only \$15 per year.

**Fish Habitat:**

Paul McEwen reported on the fish survey which was just completed on Bennett Lake. The previous Bennett Lake survey was completed in 2006. The survey found 80 of 82 Black Crappie were legal size. Four hundred eleven of 1278 Bluegill were legal size. Seven of 21 Large Mouth Bass were legal size. Thirteen of 15 Northern Pike were legal size. One of 1 Small Mouth Bass was legal size. Seven of 11 Walleye were legal size. Zero of 30 Yellow Perch were legal size. Since 2006 number of Crappie and number of Walleye have gone up substantially.

Not sure if the Walleye are reproducing naturally.

Stocking is funded through donations which can be made through the web site. Last year we spent \$3500 to \$4000 each of the last three years.

Stocked fish are 4" to 6" long.

The fish survey will be posted on the web site.

**Open Discussion:**

Veronica Pheasant crafted a poster of a map of Lobdell Lake showing pertinent information such as where the swim hole is, no anchoring locations, etc. She used the UPS store to print the posters. Each 2'x3' poster only cost \$30. She intends to have them posted at the Marina and Launch Site. The DNR has approved posting of the poster.

June 8 Flint Sewage Treatment Plant will accept household hazardous waste. Marty will have this posted on our web site.

Frank Hatton, Argentine Township Assistant Fire Chief needs a lung transplant. He has a GoFundMe web site to help with medical expenses.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Next meeting June 26, 2019

Submitted by: Ben Kiehl

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