

Lobdell-Bennett Lake Association Meeting Minutes
Board Meeting
September 28, 2021
7:00 pm

Board Members in Attendance:

Marty Vyskocil – President, Gloria Sprenger- Secretary

District Reps in Attendance:

See sign in sheet dated September 28, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Secretary's Report:

Minutes were presented for August 25, 2021 meeting. Motion was made to approve the minutes as written. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Motion made and was passed to approve treasurer's report as written. (Presented by Marty Vyskocil)

President Report:

- *President Marty V. will stay active president until April, 2022 for simplicity reasons
- *Vice President needs to be replaced this evening.
- *Will be taking nominations for VP per bylaws of LBLA
- *There is a quorum in attendance
- *Jennifer Dietrich nominated Rick Kursik
- *Rick accepted
- *Vote passed to appoint Rick K. Vice President

Web Master Viola Sprague (not in attendance)

- *Read via email by Marty V.
- *Site is up to date
- *Sent out fish stocking flyer
- *Added a button for donations
- *Hiding key holding button until Memorial Weekend
- *Request for new pictures
- *Viola willing to volunteer with Festival of Lights

Argentine Township

*Nothing notable at the meeting

Deerfield Township

*Posted on LBLA Website the most recent letter from DEQ regarding homeowner violations on Bennett Lake

Membership Committee

- * Four (4) more new members as of last month
- *27% of home owners are active members
- *Suggestions for flyer/invoice to be sent when membership dues are to be renewed
- *Make lawn signs to advertise membership
- *Marty will send suggestions to printer with a few options
- *Possibly post membership advertisement at local restaurants/ stores
- *Post signs now instead of waiting until spring

Dam Committee – Mike Gentry

- *Meeting two weeks
- *Rowe engineering
- *Alex from Genesee County Road Commission did not make meeting/thought it was cancelled
- *Soil boring needs to be done first
- *45 ft of steel for coffer dam
- *Below dam level
- *Large sucking sound which could suck water out from underneath coffer dam
- *Boring end of October
- *Permits
- *Coffer dam 6 weeks installation
- *February to even be able to look at doors
- *John tries to open door – hard to open and shut
- *Maybe this time next year will be done
- *Not sure of how much lower the water will be
- *Doors could be a couple week fix or could be months

Festival Lights

- *Suggestions for flyers/committee to be formed
- *More advertisement for participation improvement
- *New home owners on lakes may not be aware of festival
- *Creating theme may help with decorations

Weed Control

- *Heavy treatment was done in June and another treatment in August
- *\$105,000 total treatment
- *Did a test area for Vallisneria grass with little success
- *Did a 3-4 acre test area with a few different combinations of treatments, not sure yet if successful
- *Spillway – chunk of concrete broke
- *Water spray in spillway so try to block with wood
- *Aquatic services have become more reluctant to treat the mill pond
- *Permit applications normally are processed in December
- *Budget is \$127,000
- *Lake has two different Counties and both have to agree on assessments
- *Assessment will stay at \$175.00

Fish Habitat

- *Did research and the fish kill of small bluegill and bass were caused from climate and not by any treatment
- *\$3100 in checks for donations
- *\$300 from gentleman that contacted John
- *Fish are living and growing big
- *Stocker fish most likely do not reproduce
- *Imlay City Fish Farm have fish ear marked for us
- *Paul has done an awesome job getting the required permits
- *Stock lake mid- November
- *Stock crappie and walleye
- *Started stocking lake 6 years ago

Open Discussion

- *Jennifer Dietrich, Rick Kursik, Marty Vyskocil and Gloria Sprenger edited bylaws for proposal and review by the board.
- *LBLA Bylaw review – all proposed changes are in red text
- *Bylaw proposals presented by Jennifer Dietrich
- *Main topic is elections and the annual meeting
- *Seems more sensible to have elections in fall so new officer(s) has time to organize their committees, etc.
- *Wording of 10% attendance was modified
- *Many discussions were had regarding what committees there should be listed in the Bylaws
- *Board members will take more time to review the proposed changes with a possible vote at the October meeting.

Next meeting October 27, 2021 at 7:00 pm at Township Hall

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm