** Becker Big Lake Ice Association**

**Meeting Minutes | February 2, 2025**

6:30 p.m. - Monthly Meeting

Getaway Bar - Orrock, MN

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by BBLIA President Dave Nelson

**Roll Call**

Board Members Present: Sam Warren, Corey Nundahl, Matt Brausen, Kris Knodle, Kasey Buck, Dave Nelson, Melissa Clausen, Alan Heidemann

Board Members Absent: Rick Katka

Association Members Present: Nicole Lane, Dan Buck

**Agenda Review**

No changes made to the meeting agenda.

**Meeting Minutes Approval**

See [January 23, 2025 meeting minutes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Dy0zboqoRT-LwQq1McPsOtdQ5_pKqTzUKklHAE-XLNE/edit?usp=sharing) for review and approval. Motion to approve by Alan Heidemann. Seconded by Kris Knodle. All in favor. Approved.

**Member Applications**

None.

**Open Forum**

Past Loan

Discussion about gossip concerning a past loan that BBLIA took out from Donna Gurtek in order to pay back taxes. Dave spoke with the Reasoners (Donna’s family and main point of contact for BBLIA) about this issue. Dave found a 2014 promissory note for the loan and as of our knowledge, the loan was never paid back.

* Motion to pay Donna Gurtek $27,000 for loan repayment, taken out in 2014, from the general account made by Dave Nelson. Seconded by Kris Knodle. All in favor. Approved.

**Gambling Updates**

Manager Report- Nicole Lane

* See [2-2025 Gambling Report](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VNo5F5G_9e5lw_zinK_2NBC7n2fM-Sz0/view?usp=share_link) and [Manager Notes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1iwynaoPxU84KzdS_AOiZ4abatkM3hKJN/edit?usp=share_link&ouid=112205853646934414828&rtpof=true&sd=true) for info and expenses approval.
  + Assistant gambling manager update
    - Many applications are coming in. Interviews will start at the end of the month. Nicole, Dave, and Alan will arrange this and bring a recommendation to the March board meeting hopefully.
  + Charitable donation to the BBLYHA for our 2024 Becker city requirements made for $10,000. This is included in the allowable expenses.
  + Discussion about allowable expenses.
    - Motion to approve allowable expenses made by Melissa Clausen. Seconded by Alan Heidemann. All in favor. Approved.

**Treasurer Report**

* Coming soon

**Secretary/Comms Update**

Big Lake Community Fair

March 15: Kristi will be there from GBD and potentially others

Board members: Sam, Dave, Corey, Kasey and potentially others

Elections

April 4- applications due

April 27- elections

**Campaign Update**

Stakeholder List

Good start. Finish filling in blanks and ask GBD what we do next.

Town Hall Meetings

GBD sent over dates. Discussion about which ones work best for the board and which focus groups to have. Dates will be March 23 and 26 and April 6 (pending GBD approval). Sam will ask Lupulin if we can host there. GBD will be making marketing materials.

**Government Update**

Meeting to be scheduled with the amateur sports commission.

**Fundraising Update**

Golf Tournament

* Will be hosting a Pebble Creek again on Friday, August 1, 2025
* Discussion about some different approaches, including early bird registration and auction

**Future Topics**

2025 Elections

Golf Tournament sponsors

Town hall meeting planning

**Next Meeting**

Wednesday, March 5 at 6:30pm at Getaway Bar

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn meeting by Melissa Clausen. Seconded by Sam Warren. Meeting adjourned at 8:38pm.