BLCA Board Meeting Minutes: April 13, 2019

President: P/ Rosalie Musachio, VP: / Brad Kipp, Treasurer: P/Dustin Johnson, Secretary: P/Debbie Stacey

Members: (Present = P Absent=A)

| P<br>A<br>P<br>P | Curtis, Jane<br>Johnson, Gary<br>Jones, Karen<br>Gilmore, Shelly | P<br>P<br>P | Larson, Cheryl<br>Macauley, Margaret<br>McCormick, Leslie<br>Miller, Roger/Lynn | P<br>A<br>P<br>A | Ruiter, Scott<br>Smith, Wayne<br>Stangler, Diane<br>Titcomb, Emily |  |
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| '                | <i></i>  | P           | Munsterman, Adele   | P                | Titcomb, Lyf   |  |

Guests: Mike Flanery, Walt Munsterman, Kenzie Phelps, Lee from Lake Julia

The meeting was called to order by President Rosalie Musachio at 8:35 A.M., at Palmer Town Hall.

A quorum was present for business to be conducted and the proposed agenda was adopted as is.

Motion: Jane Curtis Second: Margaret Macauley

The minutes from the March board meeting were accepted and adopted

Motion: Dustin Johnson Second: Scott Ruiter

FINANCIALS: Dustin Johnson / March 2019 Financials

Income to date: \$ 18,705.89 Expenses to date: \$ 3571.51 Net Proceeds: \$ 15,134.38

Rapid Response Savings Account: \$41,205.37 Operating Funds: \$71,177.66 Total Funds Held: \$116,409.61

Motion to adopt the financials as presented: Cheryl Larson Second: Karen Jones

Not much activity last month as Dustin was out of state most of the month.

## **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Lyf Titcomb

Nothing to report

YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD: Emily Titcomb

Emily is resigning and Lyf will check with other youth to see if they are interested in staying on

**NEWSLETTER** Debbie Stacey

Deadline for April newsletter will be April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Apologies for last months newsletter. It's a learning curve and will improve

**EVENTS**: Brad Kipp

Palmer Days clean up date is May 4th

A date of May 3<sup>rd</sup> has been scheduled for a Gentle Footprints meeting from 6 to 7 pm at Palmer Hall

Volunteers are still needed to manage boat parade on the lake

MEMBERSHIP: Brad Kipp

Brad has a stack of memberships to process.

The directory is coming along well. Target date is April 17<sup>th</sup>.

There are 59 invoiced ads which is 4 or 5 less than last year

Karen Jones went through the directory and checked government information for the upcoming directory Lynn Miller took charge of the pictures and the voting for the directory.

Thanks to both of these ladies

Picture winners for the directory: 1<sup>st</sup> place to Trent Johnson with the Kayaking pictures 2<sup>nd</sup> place to Rick Morris for the picture of the Sunset

3<sup>rd</sup> place to Ruth Thom for the picture of the Fall scene

Scott will coordinate the deliveries of the directories

Mike suggested using Next Door to update phone numbers

**BUDGET/FUNDRAISING**: Dustin Johnson

We received a letter from McDonalds meats informing us that we were not selected to do Brat sales this year

**HEALTHY LAKES**: Rosalie Musachio & Mike Flanery

Kenzie was at the meeting on the carp barrier. The county owns the dam but the BLCA owns the barrier. What do we want to do with the barrier? The TLID commissioned a study on the feasibility of the barrier to manage water stabilization. One of their recommendations was to remove the barrier because the water was slower and got clogged. Kenzie passed out a handout to the board. Discussion followed. High water event water levels rise to the point what the carp can just swim around the barrier. During normal water levels they would have to jump pretty high to get over the barrier.

Mike suggested we should get more facts before any decisions are made. Most of what we have heard are opinions. Brad proposed that we would take this to the June meeting and let the members decide. More discussion. Adele suggested the August annual meeting. Kenzie added that between now and the meeting we collect data for solid evidence and keep a log of the volunteers and their time and measure the draw down. We should think about a model like Mike talked about. The carp barrier should be a topic at the meeting and the board should take the info from that meeting and make a decision. Mike would like to see more DNR involvement.

Karen Jones made a motion to put the carp barrier discussion and presentation on the August agenda. Lyf amended her motion saying we should do this at the June meeting and have the membership vote at the August meeting. Karen withdrew her motion. It was further amended by Scott Ruiter to kick this back to healthy lakes to collect data and then get it back to the board for an educational presentation at the August meeting. Brad Kipp seconded Scott's motion. Discussion. Motion passed.

Discussion on the Weiss property. There was no will so it is going to probate. Possibilities for the property by the board included county buying the property for a park.

**EDUCATION**: Rosalie Musachio

A speaker on Lyme disease is lined up for the June meeting.

WATER REPORT: Walt Munsterman

Water testing will start again on May 28<sup>th</sup>
Backup testers still needed for Julia and Rush

**WEBSITE:** Mike Flanery

Mike has been putting the water levels on the website

Cheryl and Josh have been helping with the dam and a huge log was wenched out of the dam. Thanks to both of them for their help.

Who wants to Kayak the Elk River? Mike will talk to some people to see if there is any interest.

**COLA UPDATES**: Scott Ruiter / Karen Jones

Karen reported that Scot requested COLA compose a letter that COLA agrees with the proposal regarding septic inspections being required on all properties that change hands with a sale and also when passing property on to other family members. COLA agreed

Is it ok to publish on our website the resource guide with all the phone numbers and information from the county?

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Debbie said that two residents have requested we publish the minutes of our board meetings. Everyone thought this was a good idea so from now on Mike will publish the finalized minutes on the webpage.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am

## **MEETINGS & EVENTS:**

| 3LID meeting:                | Monday   | May 6, 2019   | 6:00 P.M. or 6:30 pm? (meets 1 <sup>st</sup> mon/month) |
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| Healthy Lakes:               | Thursday | May2, 2019  | 6:30 P.M. (meets 1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs)                 |
| Palmer Township meeting:     | Monday   | May 13, 2019  | 7:00 P.M. (meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon)                   |
| Clear Lake Township meeting: | Tuesday  | May 21, 2019  | 7:00 P.M. (meets 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues)                  |
| BLCA Board Meeting           | Saturday | May 11, 2019  | 8:30 A.M. (meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat)                   |
| Board of Adjustments         | Thursday | May 9, 20195:30 P.M. or 6 pm? (meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs) |   |

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Stacey