

April 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes

ATTENDEES: Laurie Macri, Tim & Vicki Osborn, Tracy Donati, Dahn Johnson, Mary Kowalski, Mike Schirott, Jenna Labash, Art Hansen, Barb Jaski, Mary Johnson

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Tim Osborn at 9:00. Jenna & Jeff Labash were hosts.

READING OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the March 24, 2018 meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jenna Labash reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Ending cash balance is \$30,046.45

CORRESPONDENCE: Tim Osborn received an email regarding research being done on swimmer's itch. The University of Alberta (Canada) and Freshwater Solutions, LLC is trying to establish the largest database of swimmer's itch cases in North America and are looking to lake associations to get the word out to report cases. Information for reporting swimmer's itch will be put in the next newsletter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Water & Boating Safety:** Nothing to report at this time
- B. Water/Environmental:** Geese Control: We have submitted our application and are just waiting for final approval. We will let everyone know when dates are set for the goose roundup. We need to settle on a price per goose with Goose Busters. There are a few geese on the lake.

Lake-Savers: John Tucci from Lake Savers has locked in July 14th and will be at our Annual Meeting to discuss lake aeration. He will come out and look at the lake sometime in June once we have some weed growth, and then have a proposal ready for the meeting. Lake Savers presented at a regional MLSA meeting last fall. Anyone interested in learning more about the process should view LakeSavers on YouTube or go to www.Lake-Savers.com.

- C. Community Affairs:** Website: The BLA meeting minutes have been added as a new tab on the website. We will replace the old link for Baldwin Lake t-shirts with information on the newest apparel we have been selling; all embroidered items, long sleeve and short sleeve t-shirts and koozies. Tracy Donati will be the contact person for all items. Mary Johnson will put some pictures together and email them to Art Hansen. We will hold off on updating the advertising on the website for a few more days until we hear from all advertisers. Mary Johnson will send the MLSA monthly newsletter to Art to post on the website.

Porter Township News: Nothing to report at this time. On a sad note, Marty Russell, Porter Township Clerk, recently passed away. She was also a resident of Baldwin Lake.

MLSA: The annual MLSA meeting is being held April 20-21. Karen Balch and Connie Holt are attending as representatives from Long Lake; we will get information from them. There will be a regional meeting on May 5th. Mike Schirott would like to attend; Tim will forward information to him.

- D. Membership:** Advisors: Zone lists were emailed to each advisor. Advisors are encouraged to fill in any blanks on their lists prior to the mailed newsletter being sent out in June, and to talk to residents in their zone to encourage them to join the BLA if they have not been members in the past. The cost of mosquito spraying (just over \$2000 per spray) will be mentioned in the next newsletter. Welcome bags for new residents are available from Mary Johnson.

We will once again hand out two membership stickers to members once they pay their dues. The stickers will have the same logo design as last year, but with a different background color. We will also try to get an outdoor vinyl material.

Newsletters: The first newsletter was emailed on Friday, April 20th. The next one will be mailed in June.

Advertising: We had 20 paid advertisers in the first newsletter. We have not heard back from everyone yet, so we will wait to update the website.

- E. Social:** Spring Fling is next Saturday, April 28th. Information is on our Facebook page and in the newsletter. Mary Johnson will email a flyer to all residents. Anyone can donate items to be used as raffle prizes. Let Mike Schirott or Mary Kowalski know if you have a gift you would like to donate or one that has been collected from a sponsor.

Poker Run: July 21st. The five stops are set for the Poker Run. Whistle Pigs have been booked as the band. After discussion, it was voted on and passed to not sell food at the Poker Run.

Apparel: As noted, apparel for sale will be added to the BLA website. We will have Poker Run t-shirts this year; short sleeve t-shirts only. It will be the 8th annual poker run. Tracy Donati will work with the vendor to have a design put together. We will try to finalize the design at the May Lake Association meeting so that the t-shirts will be ready to sell when we sell Poker Run tickets. We will order 200, large and x-large are the biggest sellers.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Jenna Labash commented that the gas station on US12 just west of Sunset Blvd is now closed.

OPEN DISCUSSION: None

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NEXT MEETING: May 19th, 9:00 am
Mary Kowalski's home
69402 Lake Street

