
October BLA Meeting

Thursday, October 21st, 2021

Attendees

Mary Kowalski

Jen Erbe

Andrew Doublestein

Mary Hansen

Jenna Labash

Claire Delano

Gwen Doublestein

Brian and Carol Arbogast

Everett Cauffman

Agenda

Treasurer's Report:

\$47,000 currently in account as of October 1st 2021.

This year, we took in more money for mosquito sprays than the amount that we spent on them. We couldn't get a final spray before October 1st. Weather did not cooperate.

Correspondence:

Nonprofit Corporation renewed for 2021. \$20.00

Email changed to Board@Baldwinlakeassociation.com so all members will get the yearly notice for renewal.

Updating Bylaws: Winter is a good time to look at this. And make any changes if needed.

Thoughts of having the mosquito spray fund out of the general profit.

Still ask for donations for mosquito sprays.

It is worth tracking to make sure we have enough to cover the sprays.

- The main reason to be looking into the bylaws is to add social positions and social events.
 - Mike Schriott will be reaching out to the members to discuss in the winter.
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Water/Environment:

Secchi Testing (water clarity):

Latest testing: 9/29 14' 10/4 13'6" 10/08 13'4"

This is not good. The warm water keeps algae blooms going or it got them restarted. Blue green algae spotted on 10/06.

Getting data into the CLMP program would go a long way towards knowing if our numbers are something to be concerned about. Blue green algae is not what you would expect this late in the year. Depends on warm water and other factors like chlorophyll and phosphate. Testing will tell us more next year.

Possibly run the numbers by Dr Jennifer Jones that did our lake study.

Mosquito spray: Done for the year.

Fish Stocking: ordered 1,000 perch to be delivered at the beechwood landing something in March. We pay upon delivery. Spoke to the DNR biologist and have the forms to be completed in 2022.

CLMP Program: We need to register and pay the fees for having our numbers compiled and commented upon by Dr Latimore and her crew with the state. They assist with training.

MLSA meeting in Crystal Mountain. Need to authorize someone to attend. They will be doing the CLMP training at that time. Suggest we pay for gas and lodging.

May 6th is the meeting: Mike Schirott is offering to go.

Community Affairs:

Memberships and Zone Advisors:

We still need zone advisors for zones 1 and 8.

We will soon need a zone advisor for the south hilltop area. The current advisor is moving.

Mike Schirott volunteered his sister, Susan Vosmik to become the new advisor.

Speed Limit on Sunset Blvd: we were denied a lot of the signs due to unofficial work.

They discussed removing brush to make the road more visible.

Right now, we are waiting on the road commissioner to email Gwen Doublestein.

There are still options, so we will discuss further at the next meeting.

-possibly put up speed limit reading signs, but we will have to pay for them.

Will only need to use them in early spring and summer.

Everett recommended maybe purchasing our own signs run on solar. He will look into the cost.

Another option is possibly getting signs like Jen's "drive like your kids live here"

Website: website has been live for over a month now. Changes and updates will continue to happen overtime.

When someone emails Board@baldwinlakeassociation.com, that email will go to all 5 board members. We need to come up with policy and procedures on who should reply.

ACTION: Jenna will take on the policy and procedures.

Anyone can reply (make sure you reply all) If you are unsure, do not reply.

ACTION: Jen will send minutes directly to [Lisa](#) and Ian to post on website.

Road clean up: very successful and great turn out.

SOCIAL:

Poker Run:

Host: Bob Dumm and Ike Smith

July 16th 2022

Members are ready to get a jumpstart on stuffing cards over the winter and getting as much done as possible during the cold months.

Apparel Store: COLORS: gray, navy, blue and forest green (possible black logo on green)

Hoodies, zip ups, beanies, ball caps, long sleeves.

Launch the first week of November!

Lets launch a new store ASAP so residents can start their christmas shopping.

I have a few designs. Vote by the end of the meeting!

-Will make a FB post, Email and send it to Lisa to post on the website.

ACTION: Jen will send final designs to all members for approval. Make sure they are screen print

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Annual BLA Holiday party will be at Jimmy's on Saturday 12/04 from 6pm to 10pm. Lee will be making his annual collection for the local food bank. BLA suggests that everyone bring non-perishables to be donated to that cause.



Next Meeting: This will wrap up our meetings for the year 2021.

Next meeting will be

MARCH 10th 2022

Brian and Carol Arbogast's

70946 Baldwin Landing

Open Discussion:

Look into possibly sponsoring a sports team in the school districts. (Edwardsburg, Constantine, White Pigeon) instead of doing a scholarship. Will look more into this when we resume our meetings in March.

Members are open to having a few POKER RUN meetings during the winter to get a jumpstart on the event.

Meeting adjourn at 8:07pm