

## **BALDWIN LAKE ASSOCIATION – April 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

**ATTENDEES:** Via Zoom; Tim Osborn, Mary Kowalski, Mike Schirott, Jenna Labash, Mary Johnson, Jim Cunningham, Phil Goodhew, Ray Yoder, S. Major, Bartt Smith, John Walsh, Nancy Smith

**CALL TO ORDER:** 9:00 by President Tim Osborn

**READING OF THE MINUTES:** The minutes of the March 21, 2021 meeting were approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report was approved. There have not been very many expenses and the mosquito fund deficit is going down. It was approved to pay the monthly \$3.00 charge for paper statements.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Annual charge for our post office box, \$94.00. Statement from MLSA for paying our membership dues and Riparian fees.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**A. Water & Boating Safety:** It was approved to spend \$20.00 weekly to have the landing mowed. Mike will mow and clean it up on April 24<sup>th</sup> when we have our Spring Clean-Up.

#### **B. Water/Environmental:**

- 1. Secchi Testing:** Mike now has his boat in and will do the first Secchi testing next week if the weather cooperates.
- 2. Mosquito Spraying for 2021:** Everything is set so we can begin spraying when needed.
- 3. Geese Control for 2021:** Our application has been sent into the State and we are waiting approval. We will probably have Goose Busters here the first part of June. Long/Coverdale is also looking in to having Goose Busters come in and help control their geese population.
- 4. Weed Control for 2021:** The permit to begin weed treatment was sent in by Aquatic Weed Control in early February so everything is on track. The water needs to be warm enough for it to be effective, so treatment will most likely be the end of June. The Northwest side of the lake, from the Willow Shores to just past OSA, will be treated, as the concentration of Milfoil is highest there. It was suggested we put a map of the area treated on our website.
- 5. Road Clean-up:** Our Spring Road Clean-Up has been moved to Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> so that we can partner with the Long/Coverdale Lake Association. Meet at Mill's or Smith's on Hilltop (70397 Hilltop). If you would like to help clean up South Hilltop please bring a rake. Mary Johnson to post a notice on Facebook and send out an email. Tim will pick up garbage bags and vests this week.

#### **C. Community Affairs:**

- 1. Newsletter / Membership Mailing / Dues Renewal:** We will send the annual membership mailing out before Memorial Day. Nobody has expressed interest in the Membership Chairperson role. We will continue to post on Facebook that we are looking for someone.
- 2. Annual Meeting – July 10th:** Mike will contact the CCCC regarding having our meeting in the pavilion. We will continue to seek people interested in the President and Secretary positions and post on Facebook.

#### **D. Social:**

1. **Social Directors:** Laurie Macri and Mary Wain have expressed an interest on becoming our Social Chairpersons. Tim will talk to them. We also discussed the role of the Zone Advisors, and possibly expanding it. It was suggested we put together a map of the zones and put it on the website.
2. **Poker Run – July 17th (Whistle Pigs):** We have the Whistle Pigs for Music on the Water on July 17<sup>th</sup> and are still looking for suggestions for something to do in lieu of the actual Poker Run. Whatever is decided will be put in the annual mailing going out to everyone. We are still looking into insurance concerns regarding expanding Music on the Water to other dates.

**OLD BUSINESS: Porter Township Proposed Lighting Ordinance:** Tim explained that this has been in the discussion stage with the Planning Commission ever since the new gas station on US12 opened and keeps their lights on all night. Should there be a limit to what can be done and how would it be enforced? The special meeting is scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup>. The Planning Commission is also in the discussion stage regarding an ordinance on putting bubblers around docks. There is no meeting scheduled for this.

**NEW BUSINESS:** none

**OPEN DISCUSSION:** none

**ADJOURN:** 10:00

**NEXT MEETING:** Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am, via Zoom