



BLACK LAKE ASSOCIATION



August 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was held at Mary Rocco's home due to the absence of the key to the town hall. The Pledge was recited and the minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as read. The treasurer's report was received and filed subject to audit.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Membership Committee** –Sharon Dulak reported that 17 of our 37 beaches turned in their packets. We have 378 paid members as of August.

**Township Reports**-nothing new to report

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Channel Markers**-Brett Trepanier reported that the channel markers will be removed after Labor Day

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**FISH COMMITTEE**-The price of walleye fingerlings was raised to \$1.70 per fingerling. The membership discussed spending more money to get the 10,000 fish or stick with the allocated amount of \$15,000. It was decided to keep with the allocated amount. The zebra mussel population is down. There was interest in having the Black Lake fishing report included in the DNR report to encourage anglers to fish our lake. Brett and Ron will speak with the DNR.

**SPOONER'S ROOST**-Virgil suggested the BLA add money to the donation made by Mary Rocco's family in memory of her father to help renovate Spooner's Roost. Ron Dulak suggested the BLA send a committee to meet with the ranger of Onaway State Park to discuss the most productive way to spend these moneys. Matching funds is a possibility.

**WEBSITE**-Cindy Trepanier asked the membership what they thought the main purpose of the website should be. Mary Rocco made several suggestions: have speakers to address swimmer's itch report, marine patrol, invasive species update, boating safety, lost and found, and interesting lake facts such as the date the lake freezes every year.

**FACEBOOK**-It was suggested to make the existing Black Lake facebook site more accessible to the membership. Not all the members are aware of its existence.

**NEWSLETTER**-It was suggested to ask our membership if there is an interest in a Black Lake directory including addresses and phone numbers. Also, Pay Pal will be looked into to make paying the membership fee a little easier. There was a brief discussion of sending all home owners on the lake a newsletter, not just members, to promote our organization. More discussion to follow.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Smith, secretary

