



## BLACK LAKE ASSOCIATION



July 9, 2018

The board meeting that was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Grant Township Hall by president, Brett Trepanier. Thirty-eight members were present. The pledge was recited and the minutes from the previous meeting were read. Minutes were accepted as read. The treasurer's report was received and filed subject to audit.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Township Reports:** N Ellis is working on their building. No news from the other townships.

**Membership:** Sharon Dulak reported that all the beaches have reps. Four beaches have turned in their membership envelopes.

**FISH:** Erin McLean reported the committee met with the DNR. They were not receptive to the suggestion of moving the opening day of walleye season. Instead they would like to make the fines stiffer. The fish committee would like to go to the 89<sup>th</sup> District court & increase the fines, increase the enforcement of the area at the mouth of the Rainey River, and publish the names of the offenders in the local papers. The committee will meet with the DNR again soon. DNR just planted 241,399 fingerlings into the lake at the end of Corbet Road. Hoping for 5%-10% survival rate.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**TIP OF THE MITT:** Dave Edwards reported on their survey. He gave an overview of what the survey entailed. Members can access the results on our website. They will need to put in their ID of their parcel to read the outcome. Home owners with the invasive species problem will be notified with a letter. Dave is new to the study and wasn't involved in some of its aspects. He couldn't address all our concerns since he wasn't involved in the entire study. He explained things we could do to keep our lake healthy. His presentation was very informative.

**DAM TOUR:** June 29<sup>th</sup> several members toured the Alverno Dam. Jim Tucker explained how the dam works. He is working on how to modify the draw down in the fall so the levels will continue at acceptable levels in the spring. There will be another conference call July 16<sup>th</sup>. The Smith Rapids is a concern. A grant has been approved to study the possible removal of the Smith Rapids and the ramifications.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**HURON PINES:** Huron Pines sent out letters to property owners who have phragmites either on their property or near their property, to get permission to treat this problem. They are waiting for responses. They are also working on eradicating Purple Loosestrife. They will be sending out notices to property owners who have this invasive species & their neighbors on how to treat this problem.

**TIPP OF THE MITT ANNUAL MEETING:** Topic will be Swimmers' Itch. Cindy Trepanier, Sharon Dulak, Gail Smith, & Clara Breeze will attend this meeting and report back at our next meeting.

**LIBRARY:** Elyn Kallio from the Library Board of Directors reported that there will be a millage election on August 7<sup>th</sup> for Grant Township. It is asking for a .35 mil increase for property owners. This is an important election...the millage increase would go toward improvements for the library. Updated electronics are some of the key improvements cited.

**BANQUET:** The Banquet will be Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at Lorenzo's. The cost is \$30 per ticket. Donations are needed for the raffle.

**NEXT MEETING:** BLA's next meeting will be Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. Tipp of the mitt will discuss the Watershed Academy that some of our members attended.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Smith, secretary