

Black Lake Association

Minutes of Board Meeting

June 14, 2021

Present	Brett Trepanier, Cindy Trepanier, Sharon Dulak, Ron Dulak, Roger Selvig, David Turzewski, Erin McLean, Roger Bergstedt
Absent	John Roby
Call to Order	Brett Trepanier called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at the Grant Township Hall. In addition to the Board, 19 people were present. Proper social distancing protocol was followed. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Rules of Meeting	Questions and input were solicited for each report. Time for additional public comment was provided at the end of the meeting.
Secretary and Treasurer Reports	Minutes from the May 10, 2021 meeting were read and approved with minor corrections. As of May 31, 2021 there was \$80,450.90 in the checking account. The Treasurer's report as of May 31, 2021 was approved as read subject to audit.
Committee Reports	
Membership	Sharon Dulak reported that 340 memberships have been received to date. All membership packages have been delivered to the beach reps except for one beach.
Fish	Erin McLean reported that we are seeing more bass anglers on the lake this year. There have been several tournaments held this spring. The recent tournament saw the winning angler with 5 fish at 19 lbs, and the largest fish at 6 lbs. Erin expressed concern that the tournaments launch at the State Park, resulting in live bass needing to be hauled all the way from the north end of the lake back to the park to be weighed and released in the south end. A suggestion was made to require future tournaments to launch from the new DNR boat ramp at the marina. Erin reported the DNR may have a number 1 . 1 ½ inch walleye fingerlings ready for Black Lake this year. He will know more in the next couple of days.
Townships	There was nothing new to report from the townships.
Old Business	
Board Nominations	Brett Trepanier held the vote for board members. John Roby, Erin McClean, and Brett Trepanier were nominated for three-year terms at the May meeting. Dave Turzewski noted that a quorum was present including proxies received through the mail. There were no further comments and the slate was approved by a unanimous vote.

Banquet	Connie Nadjarian reported that the BLA Banquet will be held on July 10 at the UAW Conference Center. Music and hors d'oeuvres at 5 pm, dinner at 6 pm. There will be a 50/50 raffle and a silent auction. We need donations for prizes for the auction.
Black Lake FAQ Booklet	Sharon Dulak presented the newly printed Black Lake FAQ booklet that will be distributed to members around the lake. The Board recognized Linda Van Sickle for her efforts on this project and a job well done!
Scholarship Committee	No report.
Swimmers Itch	Cindy continues to be in contact with Dr. Ron Reimink for swimmers' itch updates. She noted that it would be impossible to chemically treat Black Lake due to its size. In addition, she noted that a couple of new swimmers' itch preventative treatment products have come out and may be available at Wal-Mart.
Channel Markers	Jim Coleman has suggested that due to the size of the channel we could use 4 more buoys. Discussion ensued but no action was taken.
New Business	
DNR Marina	Several suggestions were made concerning the DNR marina property, and discussion ensued. The following topics were suggested to be presented by BLA during the upcoming DNR public meeting/comment period: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provision of a marker or range for lining up to the river channel from the lake (to replace the old white marina building we all used as a marker), 2. Dredging the channel for easier access, 3. A permanent boat wash, 4. A gasoline pump, 5. Lighting at the boat ramp.
Gypsy Moths	Gypsy moth caterpillars are being seen on trees all around the lake. Roger Bergstedt will call the DNR office to discuss what, if anything, we can do.
Lake Level	It was noted by several members that the lake level seems to be a bit lower than normal. In any event, many members would prefer it to be a bit higher during the summer boating months.
Next meeting	Monday, July 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Grant Township Hall.
Adjournment	Ron Dulak moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.