



BLACK LAKE ASSOCIATION



June 10, 2019

The board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Grant Township Hall by President Brett Trepanier. 52 Members were in attendance. Everyone enjoyed our delicious Annual Potluck Dinner. 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. The Budget was read and approved by the board.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Ron Reimink of Fresh Water Solutions, along with two of his interns, gave an excellent presentation of the life cycles of the several different organisms involved in creating the dreaded "swimmers' itch". Ron has devoted his adult life researching and studying this problem. Tons of information have been gathered, no solution short of not going in the water has been found. His organization researches lakes and studies the animals and the conditions that are related to this problem. He is studying several lakes in our area and hopefully will find results that may help us. More of his presentation can be found on the BLA website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Township Reports: Grant Township ask the BLA to share our happenings in their newsletter. Sharon Dulak and Brett Trepanier will compose an article to share. Waverly had their large trash pick-up. They collected 3 large truck loads.

Membership: Sharon Dulak reported that the Beach Rep Luncheon was a success at the Black Lale Grille. Most of the membership packets have been passed out.

FISH: Ron reported that there was a Bass Tournament last weekend on the lake. He will check to see if it was "catch and release". The group was from Hilman. Ron made a motion to donate \$2,500 to the DNR for walleye pond feed. Hopefully, the DNR will give us extra fingerlings. The motion was made and

seconded. The motion passed. The money will come from the fishfund, collected in jars around town, not from our general fund.

WEED CONTROL AND INVASIVE SPECIES: Sonny Smith reported that he has contacted several companies that deal with weed control. He will schedule a visit from these sources and report back.

VOTING FOR BOARD MEMBERS: Cindy Trepanier, Ron Dulak, and Dave Turzewski were elected for board positions for the next three years.

BUOYS: Brett has not put in the buoys yet. The launch may be roped off by the DNR so Brett will not be able to launch or take out his pontoon in the fall. Buoys will probably not be put in this year.

WATERSHED: Sharon Dulak gave background information on the Tip of the Mitt Watershed's program involving students from Onaway High, directed by Eli Baker. Roger made a motion to donate \$500 to support these students with supplies, staff and equipment. Motion was seconded and passed.

BANQUET: The banquet is Saturday, July 13, beginning at 5:30 pm at the Black Lake Grille. The cost is \$30. Matt Winans will provide live music. Connie Nadjarian is looking for donations of items for the auction. She is also in need of volunteers. Twenty members have signed up so far.

NEUMANN LAW: Brett talked to our lawyer, Chris Cooke, regarding a voting procedure. We have Chris on a retainer so the charge will be covered.

OPEN DISCUSSION: Linda Van Sickle is working with Cindy on our website. Check out the Black Lake Cheboygan Facebook page.

NEXT MEETING: BLA's next meeting will be Monday, July 8th at 7:30 pm at the Grant Township Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Smith, secretary