

BPLA Membership Meeting

Saturday, Sept 1, 2018

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to order; Pledge of Allegiance – John
The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.
 2. Welcome, introduce board — John
The board was introduced as follows:
 - John Mueller/Jim Stevenson (co Chairs)
 - Roger Olson – Treasurer
 - Jeff Lindgren – Secretary
 - Dave Schinkoeth – Water quality
 - Ron Redding – Projects | Picnic
 - Rick Meier - Newsletter | July 4th parade
 - Rich Helms
 3. Acknowledge first time attendees – John
There were three first time attendees.
 4. Review agenda – John
The agenda was announced.
 5. Approval of 2018 Memorial Day meeting notes– Jeff
The Memorial Day meeting minutes were presented.
 6. Motion to approve meeting minutes– John
Motion by Gary, 2nd by Dean, Motion passed
 7. Treasurer’s report – Roger
The treasurer’s report was presented.
 8. Motion to approve Treasurer report– John
Motion by Bob, 2nd by Dwight, Motion passed.
- Raffle drawing (Jim/Ron)
9. Election of Officers – John
 - Big Pine Lake -1
 - i. Jeff Lindgren (2nd 2-year term completed)
 - ii. Rich Helm (open position to be filled)
A motion was made, seconded and passed and Jeff was reelected to a third term. There were no nominations for Rich Helm’s seat and this seat remains open.
 - Pine Lake - 2
 - i. Jim Stevenson (2nd 2-year term completed)
 - ii. Roger Olson (2nd 2-year term completed)
A motion was made, seconded and passed and Jim and Roger were each reelected to a third term.

(Dave S – Year 5; Ron - Year 3; Rick, John - Year 1)

Raffle drawing (Jim/Ron)

10. Committee reports

- a. Membership report – John
There are 206 members in our Association out of approximately 300 households on the lakes. Members were also reminded about the member and business directories which are available.
- b. Fireworks – Jim
\$500 extra went towards the intensity of the show this year. Thanks went to the Karvel's and Makela's for their efforts. Next year the show will be on July 6.
- c. Boat Parade – Rick/John
Rick and Lisa presented their report. There was a total of eleven boats in the parades. The participants noted there was good on-shore participation watching the parades!
- d. Roadside clean up – Roger
Eleven people were present at the spring roadside cleanup. Fall cleanup will be on September 15.
- e. NextDoor web site – Roger
There are currently 157 people in NextDoor. You need a separate email address if you also belong to NextDoor in the cities. The website is a good place for posting information about the lakes.

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- f. Picnic/Volunteer Projects –Ron
Thanks to Ken and Ardie for hosting the party this year which was attended by about 72 people. The picnic will be in a new location next year. The next project day is September 15th for roadside cleanup, updating the kiosks at both locations and removing the Association dock. The old dock will be taken in for recycling and there are no plans to replace the dock at this time. If you have an idea for future projects please contact Ron Redding.
- g. Loon project update – Ron
The placement and deployment of the new loon nesting platforms was discussed. None of the nests were used by loons this year although they were seen on them at times.
- h. Water quality projects – Dave
Dave discussed the water quality and a visit from the St. Croix River Association to take Secchi disk readings to measure our lakes clarity. There was also a vegetation survey done at the end of July to check against previous aerial photos. The DNR observed the upper part of Strawberry Creek and noted the presence of Walleyes. In addition, the DNR released about 300 pounds of 6 to 9 inch walleyes into the lakes this year.
 - AIS News
Dave discussed Zebra mussels and the need to clean, drain and dry your boat any time you are moving your boat out of the lake.
 - Buffer Zone projects
There is one project in Aitkin County and no action from Pine County on buffer zone projects.

Raffle drawing (Jim/Ron)

11. Old Business – John

- Recycle project update
The Association board will research places to recycle various items, such as tires and appliances. We will then make those findings known to the general membership.

12. New Business – John

- Dock removal/replacement
The old dock which was donated to the Association many years ago has reached its useful life and will be recycled at the end of this year. We may consider taking another dock as a donation depending on its condition.

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13. Adjournment – John

Motion by Gary, 2nd by John, Motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:18.