

Big Bass – Little Bass Lake Association Meeting Minutes

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BIG BASS – LITTLE BASS LAKE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES JUNE 16 2018

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. 43 members were present

ROLL CALL: Present were Tony Ellis, Carole Masiewicz, Georgia Klein, Charlie Young, Denise Brewer, and Martin DeVries. Absent was Christina Hinken.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Given by Carole Masiewicz. Motion to approve by Ed McKay, seconded by Clare Wiercinski and approved by the membership.

SECRETARY'S REPORT ON TABLES: Motion to approve by Sharon Young, seconded by Clare Wiercinski and approved by the membership.

NEW MEMBERS: Heidi Haskins, Tom Shear, Chuck Talaga, Vicki Talaga, Lisa Adams, Russ Hoekstra, Ruth Ann Gilbert, Chris Conklin, Susie Conklin, Steve Youmans.

MILFOIL:

Ryan Schauland, Aquatic Doctors, was not able to attend as planned. He will be at our August meeting.

Question arose as to why we could not go with Mark, our Aquatic Doctor representative, who is starting his own company. We are under contract to Aquatic Doctors and it would take a breach of contract on Aquatic Doctor's part such as over spraying, not spraying as instructed etc. to break the contract.

We need a new group of volunteers to survey areas for Milfoil and to check on the Aquatic sprayers. Not in their boats but alongside or in the area.

If we need increased spraying, the Township can increase spraying with a simple letter to the Township board. Let's push for a committee! Sign up with Denise Brewer. Denise will work on a committee to survey and check on Milfoil.

One problem is the weed moves all over. Floating weed is where more Milfoil will show up.

Lou Fitz from the Township will be at our meetings. A letter from our board to the Township saying Aquatic Doctors is not performing according to our contract could be a start in getting out of the contract.

GEESE The requirements for joining the geese roundup have changed. We now must have 70% of owners' signatures on the petition.

A Motion was made by Ed McKay to not pursue this for the coming year. It was seconded by Clare Wiercinski and carried.

LOONS: Judi Bass reported the loons have returned. However, no chicks this year.

People are using the nesting island. Wish we could keep them off.

DOCK HOP: We are in need of 3 more docks on the north end of the lake. Contact Abbey Sisson if you have a possibility.

It was decided to leave the prizes the same as last year, using the sale of the wrist bands. 5 prizes given

CONTRIBUTIONS

Motion was made by Clare Wiercinski. Seconded by Ed McKay to contribute our usual amounts to:

Dock Hop: \$250.00

Boat Parade: \$250.00

Fireworks: \$1,000.00

NEW BUSINESS

GRANT:

Denise Brewer read the summary of Kathy Sather's information on acquiring state funds to help in prevention of milfoil and other invasive species. Much was learned but in the end decided it was too large and too expensive a project for us at this time.

MICHIGAN LAKE AND STREAM:

Tony feels we should get more involved with this organization. There are more invasive species that we should learn about. They give yearly seminars and we could send some

MICHIGAN LAKE AND STREAM

Michigan Lake and Stream has a very informative seminar. Tony feels we should be more involved as more invasive species are on the way and we need to learn more.

Volunteers to go to this meeting at Crystal Mountain are: Tony Ellis, Denise Brewer, Colleen Howes, Dave Bass and Lisa Adams. Motion made and seconded and passed to send these 5 people expenses paid by the association. Ed McKay is the alternate

WEBSITE

Russ Hoekstra will take over running the Website from Clare until subscription expires and will then discuss possible changes.

FACEBOOK;

The possibility of using Facebook as a means of communicating was discussed.