

BLPOA ANNUAL MEETING 2021
Saturday, May 29, 2021 at 9:00 AM @ the Northern Grace Youth Camp

The meeting was called to order by President Jim DePrey.

Kay mailed out the Secretary's Report and Treasurer's report via email prior to the meeting. The minutes are also posted on our BLPOA website. There were 51 paid members in 2020. The current balance is \$6965.15.

The importance of our Clean Boats/Clean Waters efforts here was discussed. All volunteer time spent monitoring at the boat landing (i.e. talking to incoming and outgoing boaters) will count to reduce future charges for invasive species control. The cost of control is very expensive, and grants are getting harder for lakes like ours; so please volunteer an hour or two of your time this summer. The more time we volunteer, the less likely that there will be a tax assessment on all property owners in the future.

Likewise, all time that individuals spend removing invasives around their docks or out in the lake will also count towards the cost of control. Every member of your family needs to have a separate sheet filled out each year, and all sheets are to be turned in by the end of summer. This form is available for download on the Citizen Lake Monitoring page of our website:

http://www.berrylakewi.com/uploads/1/0/4/4/10444460/volunteer_hours_sheet_2019.pdf

Kay will coordinate the volunteer efforts again this year...the volunteer schedule will be posted on our website's page "Citizen Lake Monitoring" (all other info on the procedure, et. al. are also there), so contact Kay if you can donate any time this summer (email: berrylakewi@gmail.com).

Jim discussed the No-Wake Ordinance and informed all that the BLPOA made a recommendation to the Town of Underhill to amend the ordinance, adding 3" of height to the current written ordinance. The Town approved our recommendation and this request was submitted to the WDNR which they also approved this past week. So in the future...if the water height exceeds the limit and remains that way for a 2 week period, the no-wake rule can be put into effect. And likewise, if the water height recedes and stays that way for a 2 week period, the no-wake rule can be removed. The BLPOA will monitor lake levels from now on and keep all residents informed.

Our Aquatic Plant Management Committee Chair Jennifer McDermot made a presentation on our efforts here at the lake. Jennifer also passed out a summary of her message. Our current grant expires on June 30, 2021. Jennifer stated that the WDNR will be monitoring and observing over the 2021 summer season, letting the lake "breathe" this year. The APM committee will be reviewing the new grant process for 2022, but our lake is not as likely to get grants as more funding is being used for shoreland restoration efforts now.

The 2022 4th of July boat parade theme was voted on and theme will be "SAFARI".

It was agreed to have our annual Corn Boil/Weenie Roast event this year and it will be held @ the Northern Grace Youth Camp on August 14th. Carol Asselmeir volunteered to host a Berry Lake Social immediately following the Corn Boil.

4 new board members were voted in to replace those who had expiring terms, and they are: Brett Tomczak, Mike Klein, Mark Lang, and Jan Selig.

Brooke Ulrich volunteered to create a "Welcome" brochure that we can hand out to all new residents here.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kay Rankel, Sec-Treas BLPOA