

# Lake Wapogasset & Bear Trap Improvement Association, Inc.

## Trustee Meeting Minutes, June 11, 2016

### Camp Icaghowan

Marty Noonan, President started the meeting at 7:57 a.m.

Introductions: Don Springer, New Trustee

#### **Secretary's Report by Beth Holmgren**

Minutes: Motion/second to approve the Secretary's minutes for May 14, 2016. Motion approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report by Doug Drake.**

Motion/second to approve the Treasurer's report for May 2016. Motion approved. Doug is planning to transfer \$25,000 from the checking account to a savings account to improve interest income. 60 cases of 4<sup>th</sup> of July Flares are available for Trustees to pick up at Larry Carlson's storage building on Cty. Rd C or at Mort's Marina. Un-sold flares should be returned to Mort's

#### **President Report by Marty Noonan**

Marty and Doug Drake met with Kathy Mortenson to discuss the future of the Lake Scene. Marty provided a detailed history of the Lake Scene and complimented and thanked Kathy and other newsletter contributors for their years of commitment and dedication. It was made very clear the Lake Scene is an important publication and unanimously agreed the desire to have it continue. Significant discussion took place and the goal for the balance of the summer 2016 is to have Kathy prepare and publish the Lake Scene for July, August and possibly September provided Kathy seeks volunteer commitments from others, specifically the Phantom Fisherman. For future, and in order to keep the Lake Scene going, Kathy will require the support of volunteers to write articles, provide information, assemble and distribute the Lake Scene. Jim Anderson, Communication Committee Chair will assemble a group of volunteers to help with this effort. Motion/second to approve the Lake Association pay the printing costs of July's issue. Motion approved.

#### **Committee Reports**

**Lake Management.** Mark Jacobson explained Wisconsin's DNR Healthy Lakes Program which provides grant money to promote healthy lakes and prevent lake pollution. 25 projects are available and funding is \$1,000 per project. The Lake Association deadline is 2/1/2017. For more information, the web-site is [healthylakeswi.com](http://healthylakeswi.com) and please contact Mark if interested

Barry Eklund reported weed harvesting is in process as well as the repair of the GPS which navigates the harvester

#### **Lake Monitoring.**

Lee Rickard indicated the lake temperatures of both Wapo and Beartrap are greater than last year which may result in "greener" lakes in the coming weeks. Lee completed Sechi Disc readings which are available on the DNR web-site. Dave Nelson suggested inviting Steve Schiefer, Sanitary District Biologist/Consultant meet with the Lake Association to identify invasive weeds.

Clean Boat/Clean Water. Rick Bazille reported the Garfield Park boat landing was extremely busy over Memorial weekend. Two DNR sponsored events include the Drain Campaign on June 10-11 to educate fisherman to drain livewells and other equipment before leaving the boat landing (freezer packs given away for fish coolers), and the Landing Blitz June 30 – July 3<sup>rd</sup> to educate boaters on measures to prevent the spread of aquatic species (towels will be given away for boaters to clean and dry their boats). The final CBCW cost in 2015 for the Lake Association was \$376.71. The DNR did not provide grant funding in 2016 therefore the CBCW program will be funded by the Lake Association and Sanitary District.

Neighborhood Watch. Jerry Tessman indicated Neighborhood Watch signs will be available in July and requested everyone report signs in need of replacement, and identify/recommend new sign locations. Rick Bazille and Martha Funke have volunteered to replace or install new signs.

### **Community Relations**

Karen Ohm was not present and Martha Funke confirmed July 3 is Light up the Lake and flares “must” be lit at 9:45 p.m. and Fireworks begin at 10:15 p.m. at the Bible Camp. July 4<sup>th</sup>: Stower Trail in Deronda: 8 a.m. sign up for the 5K run/walk, 9 a.m. race begins. Garfield Park: 11 a.m. kids dashes, turtle races and cakewalk. 3 p.m. Boat Parade on Bear Trap. Call Karen Ohms at 715-268-5735 to sign up for the boat parade identifying the boat theme and family name

Sunshine Committee. Gail Tessman can be reached at 715-268-6570 if you would like her to send a card to a lake member on behalf of the Lake Association who is ill or passed away

Membership. Doug Drake indicated there are 395 members paid to date. Red Cards are available from Doug.

300 Club. Vicki Ziglinski must have the 300 Club ticket stubs from Trustees prior to the July 8<sup>th</sup> Lake Association Meetings which is the first drawing. Also give Vicki unsold tickets so they can be sold. Money from the sale of the tickets must be given to Doug Drake

**Communications.** Jim Anderson is the committee chair and assembling volunteers and Kathy Mortenson to discuss future Lake Scene issues and the logistics.

**Nominating/Audit.** Next board election year is 2017 therefore talk with Dave if you have recommendations or nominees

### **Old Business**

- Marty Noonan received a letter from the City of Amery requesting an extension of the Rescue Air Boat deadline from 5/31/2016 to 12/31/2016 for the Lake Association’s \$5,000 contribution. The City of Amery approved the Rescue Air Boat. Motion/seconded to extend the deadline to 12/31/16. Motion approved

### **New Business**

- Marty recommends the date of the Fall Recognition Dinner be the same date as the September monthly Lake Association meeting. More to follow.
- Mary Anderson who organizes the summer Pontoon Flotilla’s requested email address of the Lake Association members in order to communicate the dates. Motion/seconded to approve sending Mary’s information out via and the Lake Association and not through Mary and members will be “bcc” so email addresses are not shared among everyone. Motion approved.
- Deb Worthington presented a social media opportunity called Next Door Social Network. The information tool began in March and is designed for neighbors to know what’s going on, events, classified ads, report crimes, etc. Website is nextdoor.com if you’re interested
- Marty is looking into getting a Lake Association Face Book page which Michelle Tigan, YMCA Camp Director will assist with
- Garfield Park is looking to fill a paid maintenance position to mow and clean the restrooms – contact Dave Nelson or Alan Walker if interested
  - Striping the parking lot at Garfield Park was recommended in order to keep vehicles/trailers more organized so more can park

Meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m. Motion/second to adjourn. Motion approved.

Beth Holmgren, Secretary

Emailed: