BLCA Board Meeting Minutes: July 11, 2015

Present: President, Dan Merchant, Secretary: Karen Nielsen, Treasurer: Karen Jones

Members: (Present = P Absent=A)

Guests: Walt Munsterman, Steve Demeules

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Merchant at 8:35 A.M., at the Palmer Town hall.

A quorum was present for business to be conducted and the proposed agenda was adopted with addition of Officer nominations. Need to find out if those members whose term ends this year will continue on as board members.

Motion: McKelvey, J Second: Josewski, M

Minutes from the 6/2015 meeting were accepted.

Motion: Curtis, J Second: Kipp, B

FINANCIALS: Karen Jones June 2015

Income to date: \$27,796.94 Expenses to date: \$19,580.84 Net Proceeds: \$8,216.10

Checking Acct: \$87,820.59 CD @ Bank: \$4,512.15 Motion: McKelvey, J Second: Curtis, J

COMMITTEE UPDATES

EVENTS: Darlene Enright, Margo Josewski, Brad Kipp

Jason Connelly: Boat parades, 8 boats participated with red solo cup as winner

Ghost Busters was 2nd place, lemonade stand was 3rd.

Big Elk had 4 boats participating – prizes will be distributed at Aug general meeting.

Flotilla: July 25, pot luck, bring a rope to tie on.

Garage sale: 8/22/2015 – advertising will be in the Citizen and we'll try Craig's list as well.

MEMBERSHIP: Darlene Enright, Margo Josewski, Brad Kipp

Membership: numbers are increasing (60 additional as of June).

Kenzie Phelps: Officer nominations – 1 possible nominee, Jim Arbiter on Julia.

BUDGET/FUNDRAISING: Karen Jones/Diane Stangler

Brat sale raised \$1535.40 with an additional \$129.03 in tips.

Flower sale: \$110.00 / mostly donated from Briggs Lake Nursery – not many sales

Palmer Day Food Booth: Need lots of volunteers!!!

Maybe have a flower exchange at June meeting – not a fundraiser.

Briggs Lake Nursery offered his space for a community garage sale (possible fundraiser).

Budget needs to be presented at August general meeting.

EDUCATION: Wayne Smith / no report

Carp barrier raise/close guidelines: UP at start of ordinance - DOWN 4 days AFTER ordinance ends (we take down signs 3 days after the ordinance is lifted, so this results in a total of 7 days)

Dan Stang lives on the property that contains the dam and has volunteered to manage the carp barrier.

Any volunteers are welcome to assist with cleaning grates.

Motion to approve carp barrier guidelines:

Motion: Phelps, K Second: Curtis, J

Great turnout at the monthly meeting, 11 people / SERP workshop had 45 people attending with 5 new groundtruthing participants. SERP grants thru end of June 2016 are committed to existing projects.

SWCD grant money needs to be spent by Oct of next year – scope has been broadened.

Groundtruthing 97 properties completed. LID update = 217 signatures received (@33%)

Water testing good depth for this time of year.

COMMUNICATIONS: Francis Beaudry

Newsletter: Karen Nielsen / Deadline for Aug newsletter: July 24, 2015

Budget information is available at the meetings – not to be included on website.

Website: Mike Flanery

Paypal update = \$70 to update.

Requesting photos and more data inputting from board members

Facebook BLCA site is being monitored by Ruth Thom

OLD BUSINESS: Picnic expenses were kept under budget – suggestions are to take pictures, set up tables for membership, education, etc. People wanted to eat when meeting was done, vs waiting until music over. Follow up regarding any changes in fall months.

NEW BUSINESS: James Johnson will be paid \$100 to be our speaker at today's general meeting

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Palmer Township meeting:	Monday	7/13/2015	7:00 P.M.
Clear Lake Township meeting:	Tuesday	7/21/2015	7:00 P.M.
Flotilla / Briggs	Saturday	7/25/2015	6:00 P.M.
Healthy Lakes:	Thursday	8/06/2015	6:30 P.M.
Palmer Township meeting:	Monday	8/10/2015	7:00 P.M.
BLCA Board meeting:	Saturday	8/15/2015	8:30 A.M. Palmer Park
BLCA Annual Business:	Saturday	8/15/2105	10:00 A.M. Palmer Park
Flotilla/ Big Elk	Saturday	8/15/2015	6:00 P.M.
Clear Lake Township meeting:	Tuesday	8/18/2015	7:00 P.M.
BLCA Garage Sale	Saturday	8/22/2015	

The meeting was adjourned at: 9:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Nielsen, BLCA Secretary