

BCA Annual Dinner Meeting - July 9, 2022

President Widrick called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm and welcomed members in attendance and introduced officers.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes to meetings are posted on the BCA website. Copies were placed at tables for the meeting. **Fran Abbey motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Bob McQueen seconded the motion and the motion as so approved by a voice vote.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: Copies of the treasurer's report were placed at all tables. Gail Roes presented the report from January 1, 2022 to July 9, 2022

INCOME:

Boat Washing Donations: \$1406.00
Fish Fund: \$2930.00
Interest Income: \$1.72
Associate Membership Dues: \$60.00
Membership Dues for additional camp: \$510.00
Membership Dues for primary camp: \$15,660.00
Memorial Fund: \$370.00
Other Donations: \$549.00
Total Income: \$21,486.72

Gail Roes reports a total of 279 membership dues paid. 34 members are from the newly created District 12. 12 of the District #11 members were transferred to District #12. Only one of these 12 has been a paying member on regular basis.

Gail reports that money donated to the memorial fund is recognized with a letter and a plaque is added to the memorial plaque at the 4 corners sign. This money is set aside for future projects.

EXPENSES

Advertising/Publications \$280.47
Bank Charges/Fees: \$235.56
Boat Parade Expense: \$117.27

Boat Washing Station Depreciation: \$729.21
Computer and Internet Expenses: \$134.35
Fish Fund Expenses: \$3869.35 (what is donated is used in its entirety each year)
Insurance Expenses: \$3065.09
Lake Association Dues & Water Quality: \$645.00
Office Expense: \$52.40

Publication Expense – Directory: \$573.01
Publication Expense – Newsletter: \$116.00
Aerial Insect Spraying minus BGC reimbursement: \$1483.04 (First Spray)
TOTAL EXPENSE: \$11,190.85

BCA Operating Net Income \$10,295.87

ART COUNCIL

2022 Income: \$8306.87

ART COUNCIL EXPENSES:

Country Fair: \$320.00
Other Events: \$2715.20

TOTAL EXPENSES: 3035.20

Art Council Net INCOME: \$5271.37

NET INCOME combined BCA and Arts Council: 15,567.24

Gail Roes reports that this year's directory included advertising which covered the cost of the colored ink on the front page.

Gail states that the second aerial spray invoice is pending and will be \$3300.00. Sue Lorenzini reports that the reimbursement check from the Brantingham Golf Course had been delivered for the first spray.

Other pending expenses: \$870 for water quality programs, \$7000 for the boat launch steward.

Aerial Insect Spraying: First Spray cost \$1793.93 minus Brantingham Golf Course reimbursement of \$310.69

Member asked what the percentage of property owners in the area are paid BCA members. Gail states it is hard to know exact number. There are approximately 491 addresses, some owners have more than one property. Last year, 329 properties paid membership dues which translates to 71% percent participation.

Bill Lamb motions to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Dorothy White seconded the motion and the motion as so approved by a voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARTS COUNCIL: Roger Abbey reports that 98 people signed up for the Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre and only 2 tickets are remaining.

Concerts have been well received. Thanks to all that have provided help.

Mr. Abbey reports that he and his wife, Fran, and the Dixon's have been working hard to carry out all the duties of the Arts Council and "happy to spend a considerable amount of time" on these projects. He thanked the generosity of the many financial donors and volunteers that help make the many events a success.

Mr. Abbey reports that the Abbey/Dixon team are transitioning out of the Arts Council. The Abbey/Dixon team will still organize 2 concerts: one on Brantingham and one on Pleasant. Lake in 2023.

They will assist in providing direction for incoming volunteers.

They will not be involved in applying for any grant monies

Guidelines will be available for all existing projects such as the craft fair.

Mr. Abbey states they are excited to work with people who have other ideas. "We will be there to help"

President Widrick expressed his appreciation of the work of the Arts Council.

AERIAL INSECT SPRAYING: Dave Fisher, a BCA member and entomologist, is the chair for this this committee. Mr. Fisher states that Duflo Chemical Spray is a good company. "He has been doing this a long time." Mr. Duflo is an entomologist. Mr. Fisher will be working directly with Mr. Duflo but feels confident in work. Mr. Fisher feels his focus will be on education.

Posters were on display during the meeting with information about spraying.

Mr. Fisher reports first spray occurred week after Memorial Day. The second spray occurred the Friday, July 1st.

July 1st spray was a larger geographical area because it included District 12. Mr. Fisher acknowledged Tom Gunn for his work on District 12

Mr. Fishers reports that the sprays must occur in specific conditions to be effective. These conditions are as follows and were presented on the posters:

- Winds less than 10 mph

- Rain for at least 6 hours
- Temperature needs to about 62 degrees, but really around 70
- Plane in good working order

Mr. Fisher reports that the BCA territory was the first vector spray of the year for Mr. Duflo.

Mr. Fisher anticipates that we should be due for a third application next week.

David Schantz states that if the spraying is all being done at the same time (including District 12) than we are getting less coverage.

Mr. Fisher responds that the plane delivers one ounce per acre and we are getting the same coverage. Duflo's tank can treat 40,000 – 50,000 acres and our area is approximately 1100 – 1400 acres.

Diane Miller asks how District 12 will get a second spray. Mr. Fisher responds they can get a second spray if they generate enough funds through additional memberships.

Gary White reports that during the last spray, Duflo sprayed more acres than were paid.

Mr. Schantz states that the spraying pattern seems to have changed through the year.

Mr. Fisher informs members that the spray area for each swath is 500 - 600 feet.

PAUL SMITH'S ADIRONDACK WATERSHED INSTITUTE BOAT LAUNCH

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM: Mr. Widrick reports that Karin Hennigan is not present. He reminds the membership that we have a trained boat launch steward at our launch on Fridays from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Saturdays from 9:00 am – 5:30 pm and Sundays from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Costs for the program is \$7680. However, the boat launch steward started a week late has announced he is leaving a week early. Therefore, the bill will be prorated. Mr. Widrick reports he is finishing around August 1st.

Karen Murphy asks members to consider someone who might be willing to be trained to cover the position until Labor Day.

WATER QUALITY TESTING

CSLAP: (Citizen Statewide Lake Assessment Program: Karen Murphy reports on behalf of Chris Murphy that sampling supplies arrived late because of a contract issue with UPS. First and second sample has been collected. Water is collected from 1.5 meters

and the deepest point of the lake. Last year's report summary showed continued stable measurements of water chemistry.

ALAP: Bruce Buckingham reports that a new person will be needed to collect samples for the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program. Water is collected from Lake of the Pines and Pleasant Lake.

INVASIVE SPECIES: Polly Peterson reports that no invasive species have been detected in the yearly survey. Please call with any questions or concerns. Mrs. Peterson reports they did receive a concern call which turned out to be Broadleaf Pond Weed.

Mr. Gary White reports that a bill was signed that everyone who has a motorized boat must have a certification that the boat has been checked for invasive species.

“The new law requires all operators of motorized watercraft to obtain certification that they have cleaned, drained, and dried boats and equipment each time they launch into a new waterbody in the Adirondack Park and within 10 miles of the Blue Line (PDF). When an aquatic invasive species inspection station adjacent to a public waterbody is open for operation, watercraft operators can receive a watercraft inspection certificate from a boat steward by accepting a free boat inspection or decontamination. Alternately, boaters may follow Clean, Drain, Dry steps on their own and fill out a self-issued certificate (PDF) available on DEC's website before launching. Boat stewards will be stationed at popular boat launches across the Adirondack Park and can be identified by their blue vests.”

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/press/125517.html>

BUOYS: President Widrick reports that Kent Martin was unable to attend the meeting. Buoys have been installed, placed by GPS in the designated location. Kent Martin also manages the BCA website.

FISH STOCKING: Karen Murphy reports in lieu of Chris Murphy. 250 12” – 14” large trout and an allotment of fathead minnows were stocked into Brantingham Lake. Pleasant Lake received 115 rainbow trout, which is a big increase from last year. Karen Murphy reported that Chris caught a 21-inch rainbow trout from the camp dock in April. This is a positive sign that the trout are thriving.

AMENDMENT TO BCA BY-LAWS, ARTICLE II “TERRITORY” – DISTRICT 12

“The boundaries are as follows; North-South Road from the corner of Pleasant Valley and North South Road) up to Brantingham Road intersection. (Greater Pleasant Valley Rd and Deer Run Roads Not Included) Partridgeville Road from

Pine Tree Restaurant to and including Partridgeville Rd. Extension to the end of the pavement, and from Partridgeville Rd to adjoining Long Point Road to Kovach Repair. Middle Road down to and including Rugby Road. (Hill Road is not included) Brantingham Road from and including Linda Place to Pine Tree.”

Roger Abbey offers a motion to approve the amendment to the Brantingham Community Association by-laws as stated. Dave Fisher seconded the motion and the motion was so approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Member present asked if the campground was included. Roger Abbey responded that the campground will benefit from the spray residual of territory around them.

VICE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY ELECTION: Mr. Widrick requested a motion to re-elect Sue Lorenzini as Vice President and Karen Murphy as Secretary or any nominations from the floor.

Mr. Bill Lamb motioned to re-elect the current Vice President and Secretary. Bruce Buckingham seconded the motion and the motion was so approved by a voice vote.

AREA DIRECTOR ELECTION (EVEN YEAR): Mr. Widrick reports that Anne House is retiring as the District #11 area director, Cindi Golas will be taking her place.

Because it is an even year, all even area directors are up for re-election. President Widrick asks for floor nomination or a motion to re-elect all even numbered area directors.

Gary White motions that nominations be closed.

Polly Peterson motioned to re-elect all even numbered are directors. Bill Lamb seconded the motion and the motion as so approved by a unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

A member asked how to enforce the speed limit for 4-wheelers. It was suggested by several members to call the Lewis County Sheriff's Office with as much information as possible. Sheriff Carpinelli office number is 315.376.3511

Diane Miller reports that the gentlemen currently patrolling Brantingham Lake is retiring on August 1st.

Diane Miller reports that she assisted with the New York State Safe Boating Course in Glenfield, NY at the end of June. Mike Leviker reports that during his tenure as a “NYS Safe Boating instructor”, he has trained 746 boaters.

ACCORDING TO SAFE BOATING USA:

BOATING EDUCATION IS MANDATORY for power boaters in New York State effective January 1, 2020.

“On August 6, 2019 Governor Cuomo signed Brianna's Law, a long-awaited boating education bill making it mandatory for powerboat operators to complete a boating course in NYS. This new law is being phased in by age (date of birth).

Current Requirements are that All PWC/Jetski Operators MUST be certified regardless of age. See the chart below to see if you currently need to be certified to operate a powerboat as well.

Brianna's Law enhances the current requirements as follows;

Applies to all powerboat operators:

- ~Those born on or after 1/1/1993 will need a safety certificate beginning January 2020.
- ~Those born on or after 1/1/1988 will need a safety certificate beginning January 2022.
- ~Those born on or after 1/1/1983 will need a safety certificate beginning January 2023.
- ~Those born on or after 1/1/1978 will need a safety certificate beginning January 2024.
- ~**All powerboat operators regardless of age will need a boating safety certificate beginning in January 2025.**

If you've taken an 8hr boating safety course in the past, you're all set. All NYS courses offered by Safe Boating America are NYS Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation courses and enable the student to have an anchor endorsement on their NYS Drivers License in addition to receiving a boater safety certificate.”

LOON HARRASSMENT: President Widrick reports that there has been a report of loon harassment by a boat on the lake. This report was given to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation without action.

Should you see harassment, please take picture or videos and include the boater registration number and report to NYS DEC or a BCA officer or area director.

Karen Murphy reminds members to tell their renters they must remain 100 feet from the loons.

POST OFFICE: A member voices concern about lack of physical P.O. boxes for Brantingham residents in the Greig Post Office. Steve Widrick reports there is a plan to create an extension and install the boxes.

BARKING DOGS: A resident asks what can be done about barking dogs on the lake. Diane Miller reports that the Town of Greig has a leash law. Steve Widrick reports that there is no noise ordinance and it is best to just approach the dog owner.

DUMP: Dave Schantz stated that the green dump is getting full. He asks what will happen when the dump is full.

Mr. Gunn reports that the town has hired a stump grinder which will alleviate some congestion. Once the stumps have been ground, the mulch will be available to anyone who lives in the area. The board will have to make a decision as to whether or not to extend the dump area.

BOAT WASHING STATION: Diane Miller asks what will happen to the boat washing station now that “The Trailside Restaurant” is officially for sale.

Mr. Widrick responded that the station will remain there until the new owners can be approached about continued use of the corner parking lot.

50/50 Raffle: Karen Murphy was the winner of the raffle and donated the money back to the BCA.

Loren Sauter motioned to adjourn the meeting. Gary Cagwin seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Murphy
BCA Secretary