

August 20, 2022 – BCA Director’s and Officer’s Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pam Brewer, Tom Gunn, Karin Hennigan, Bob Hindman, Doug Hunt, Sue Lorenzini, Kent Martin, Karen Murphy, Chrissy Pence, Polly Peterson, Gail Roes, Gary White, Steve Widrick

Meeting called to order by President Widrick at 9:34 pm

SECRETARY’S REPORT: Members present were given copies of the previous BCA Director’s and Officer’s Meeting minutes of May 14, 2022. Minutes are also posted on the BCA website. No corrections were offered. **Tom Gunn motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Pam Brewer seconded the motion and the motion was so approved by a voice vote.**

TREASURER’S REPORT: Gail Roes presented BCA Treasurer’s report current today.

Ordinary Income

Boat Washing Station Donations: \$1931.00
Fish Fund Donations: \$3376.00
Business/Association Memberships: \$100.00
Additional Camp Membership: \$690.00
District 12 Membership: \$2130.00
Primary Camp Membership: \$16,290.00
Memorial Fund: \$380.00
Other Donations: \$924.00
Total Income: \$25,833.93

Expenses

Publication Expense: \$280.47
Bank Charges (PayPal): \$125.56
Boat Parade: \$117.27
Boat Wash Depreciation: \$729.21
Boat Launch Steward: \$8267.40
Computer/Internet: \$134.35
Dinner (no shows): \$38.00
3-G Fire Department Donation: \$100
Fish Fund Expense: \$3869.35 (donations from previous year)
D.O. Insurance: \$704.00
Liability Insurance: \$3065.09
NYSFOLA Dues: \$645.00
Water Quality Testing (CSLAP): not billed yet
Water Quality Testing (ALAP) \$500.00
Aerial Insect Spraying: \$5381.79
Aerial Insect Spraying District 12: \$1500.00
Net Income: \$550.60

For a detailed Treasurer's report, please contact Gail Roes.

In response to Gail Roes statement about seeking affordable printing, Kent Martin suggested a print shop in Holland Patent.

Gail reports the invoice for repair of the boat washing station still needs to be paid.

Sue Lorenzini motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Polly Peterson seconded the motion and the motion was so approved by a voice vote.

UNDESIGNATED FUNDS: Gail reports that there is \$3000.00 received that has not been designated and therefore has not been disbursed. Gail suggests that the money be even divided between the fish fund, arts council and the boat washing station.

Steve Widrick states that Gail's suggestion make sense and proposes that all funds be disbursed evenly.

A member suggested that we may not want to donate to the Arts Council as the committee's future is unknown.

Sue Lorenzini questioned if the fish fund needed more funds.

Pam Brewer suggests that some of the money be used for repair or purchase of address signs.

Sue Lorenzini proposes that \$2000 go to Boat Wash fund and \$1000 to fish fund

Kent Martin motioned that \$2000.00 of the funds be donated to expenses related to the Boat Launch Steward/Boat Washing Station and \$1000.00 to donated to the fish fund. Sue Lorenzini seconded the motion and the motion was so approved by a voice vote.

MEMBERSHIP FORM: Gail proposes changes to the membership form.

Gail asks for suggestions of how to change the term "Brantingham Address"

Kent Martin proposes "BCA address" in lieu of Brantingham addresses"

Gail Roes informs members that all of the area businesses are located in District 12, except for the Brantingham Golf Club. Gail asks if we should add a line on the form for business advertising. No members objected to the suggestions.

Steve Widrick suggests boxing certain parts of the membership form, including "No changes" and "payment" to bring attention to these areas. He proposes that a draft of the changes be made for review.

BCA DINNER MEETING 2023: Mr. Widrick asks members about a date and time for the 2023 annual dinner meeting. Choices are Saturday, July 1st or Saturday, July 8th.

Sue Lorenzini suggests July 8th as July 1st may interfere with 4th of July events such as the craft fair and the boat parade.

Mr. Widrick suggests moving the meeting time to 5:30 pm and keep dinner at 7:00 pm.

ARTS COUNCIL: Sue Lorenzini reminds the membership that the Dixons and Abbeys have retired from the Arts Council, but remain prepared to help future committee members.

Sue states that at this point, no one has agreed to organize the annual “Old Tyme Country Fair”.

Gail Roes suggests that we solicit volunteers for the separate events using social medial and email.

Karen Murphy reminds members that Mary Dixon reported that they have printed guidelines for each event and they are willing to offer assistance.

AERIAL INSECT SPRAYING: Mr. Widrick reports that David Fisher is out-of-town but shared that there have been 3 sprays thus far and her will be speaking to Mr. Duflo on Monday about the need for future sprays.

BOAT LAUNCH STEWARD: Mr. Widrick reports that the boat launch steward resigned from his position as of August 1st.

Gary White reports that he missed one day and did not inform anyone that he was not there.

Karen Murphy suggests that we contact Bill Brousseau, Director of the AWI program, and inform him that we would like a steward that can stay for the entire season next year.

Sue Lorenzini suggests we reach out to the membership.

Pam Brewer stated that she is aware of college student who may be interested.

Karin Hennigan suggest we reach out to the retired population.

Karen Murphy states that AWI had reported that they were unable to fill all of their boat launch steward positions this year.

WATER QUALITY TESTING (CSLAP): Karen Murphy reports samples continue to be collected and turned in. No reports of algae on the lake. Polly Peterson confirms that she has not heard of any reports of algae.

BUOYS: Mr. Widrick reports that one of the buoys near the channel had moved and someone had returned it to its prior location.

Kent Martin reports that all of the buoys “tend to migrate a bit” and stated that the buoys outside the channel are especially challenging to place.

FISH STOCKING: No update. Members present report that fishing has been good this year.

BOAT WASHING STATION: Doug Hunt reports that directors and officers met with members of the AWI team for boat washing training. (Please see minutes to this training) Mr. Hunt reports that Brett Wimsat was instrumental in upgrading the equipment.

Mr. Hunt reports the equipment was not working properly and he was able to transport the equipment to Chuck Cobb, a power washer dealer, who replaced the battery and a flow switch. The invoice for the work included the cost of the switch, the battery and labor.

Mr. Hunt states Mr. Cobb suggested the purchase of bigger nozzles to increase water flow

Mr. Hunt reported that there was algae in the water tank and that he put cleaner in the tank.

Mr. Widrick reports that Mr. Hunt mounted a tool box onto the station to hold the required personal protective equipment and cleaning tools.

Mr. Hunt reports that the lock uses the same key at the lock on the wand storage.

Mr. Widrick recognized the tremendous assistance of Mark Kovach who supplied the boat and the provided a battery charger when it became apparent the battery was dead.

Gail Roes states that Brett Wimsatt suggested the use of Kerosene instead of Diesel gas.

Kent Martin asks if the station could be moved to Kovach. Members responded that his location is too close to the lake.

Gary White asks about county property located across from Snomads Tom Gunn responded that the land was bought as forestation and cannot be used.

Doug Hunt asks if the Trailside restaurant, where the equipment currently resides, has been sold. Mr. Widrick states there is no word of this.

Sue Lorenzini asks if we could purchase a pad to collect the water from boat decontamination so it can the station can be positioned anywhere.

Doug Hunt responded that is just more equipment that needs to be managed.

Mr. Widrick reports that the pad involves a pump

BOAT LAUNCH COVERAGE: Mr. Widrick asks members if we are going to use board members to cover the boat launch over the Labor Day weekend.

Karen Murphy offered to volunteer

Mr. Widrick stated that people are generally removing their boats on Labor Day

Mr. Widrick reports on a letter he received from Mr. Rizzo, a BCA member, about NYS Senate Bill §2907. Mr. Rizzo had concerns about the bill, however the bill is no longer under consideration.

Mr. Widrick shared some of the critical points of the letter

1. It has been established that the "boat launch" is a dead-end road.
2. Brantingham Lake is 100% privately owned. No shoreline is owned by NYS, Town of Greig, Lewis County, DEC, APA, or Federal Agency(Army Corp of Engineers).
3. Brantingham Lake does not meet the New York States Navigable-in-Fact requirements.
4. Brantingham Lake is not a NYS Inland Waterway and does not meet the definition of a Waterway.
5. Brantingham Lake was added to an amendment by Senator Joe Griffo to make it a NYS waterway

<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2019/S2907>

Mr. Rizzo included in his letter his concern that the S2907 legislation will allow the town to take eminent domain of property around the lake. Tom Gunn states that this is not true.

Bob Hindman asks if the town owns property near the boat launch.

Mr. Gunn reports that, in the past, there was an easement on the deed which was later erased.

Mr. Gunn reports that the boat launch has been marked with a "DEAD END" road sign"

Mr. Widrick asks why the boat launch property was flagged with property survey markers.

Mr. Gunn stated the survey was to declare property lines of the land owners bordering the boat launch.

INVASIVE SPECIES: Polly Peterson states she has not completed her survey of the lake.

Sue Lorenzini reports that Bladderwort, Pond Weed and Lily Pads that are clogging the Lily Pond and making it difficult to navigate.

Doug Hunt states that in the past, the lake has had “pulling parties” to remove plants.

Sue Lorenzini recalls boats pulling mattress springs along the bottom of the lake to pull-up plants.

FINAL THOUGHTS: Gail Roes asks if directors are receiving their emails.

Steve Widrick reports that the next BCA meeting will be mid-May.

Steve Widrick asks if Gal plans to send out emails regarding help for the Arts Council.

Gail reports that members of the former Arts Council have committed to 2 “on the water” concerts.

Gary White reports that Buckingham’s have agreed to a concert at their camp on Pleasant Lake.

Mr. Widrick takes a moment to recognize the hard work of the area directors and officers.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Murphy
BCA Secretary