

BASS LAKE PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES 4/03/21

I. Attendees

- A. *Officers:* Rick Anderson, AJ Gappa, Kathy Laiter
- B. *Directors:* Terry Chmiel, Mary Jesso, Rich Linkus, Gayle Smith,
- C. *Absent:* Mary Topelian, Rik Ritzler, Ron Vendl
- D. *# of Property Owners/Guests Attending:* 24

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rick Anderson asked if anyone would like to speak to please raise their hand, be acknowledged, state their name and then make their contribution(s).

II. Minutes

Minutes of the March 6 and April 6 meetings will be reviewed at the May property owner's meeting due to computer/technical issues.

III. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, AJ Gappa, reviewed the February report. Motion made to approve for audit by Kathy Laiter, seconded by Terry Chmiel and approved for audit. Reports will be posted on the BLPOA website <https://www.inbasslake.com/>

OPERATING FUND/MONEY MARKET:	February
Beginning Balance	76,756.02
Deposits / Trans.	---
Interest	.59
Withdrawals / Trans.	---
Ending Balance	76,756.61
MISC:	
CD – beginning balance	102,779.47
Interest	---
CD – ending balance	102,779.47
GRANT CHECKING ACCOUNT:	
Beginning Balance	25.00
Deposits	---
Disbursements	---
Ending Balance	25.00
GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT :	
Beginning Balance	24,799.48
Deposits: Memberships / Rentals / Deposits / Social Committee / Transfers / Directories / Recycling	14,263.00
Disbursements	8,961.22
Ending Balance	30,101.26
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	209,662.34

IV. Beautification / Welcome

Gayle Smith stated all boxes have been decorated and if you know of a new homeowner in the area to please pass along the information to her so she can reach out to them.

V. Social Committee

Rick Anderson stated nothing has changed since last month and the annual bike ride is scheduled for July 17, the Soup Social is October 23, and the Christmas Marketplace December 4. The name for the Century Bike Ride has been changed to “Bass Lake Bike Loops” and the Park Board has expressed interest in sponsoring it. The ride is scheduled for 9/11 and the BLPOA will send an email prior to the ride as well as post information on the website.

VI. Building Rentals

Rick Linkus advised that we will be opening the building for rentals beginning in May.

VII. Building Maintenance

Rick Anderson reminded everyone of the 8 cameras 3 are not working. He is looking for someone to “co-camera” the project with him.

Rich Linkus stated that of the three bids we received to clean up the tree line the decision was made to go with TDS Tree Service.

VIII. Neighborhood Watch

Russ Blais advised that Ron Vendl is out of town and there will be updates at next month’s BLPOA meeting. The next meeting for the Neighborhood Watch is scheduled for April 12 at 6:30 PM.

IX. Bass Lake Conservancy District

Russ Blais and Jerry Broadstreet gave updates and shared there is 23 miles of pipes, the BLCD has a five year plan and that the grant this year is for \$5,000. The product being used was discussed and it was noted that we need to keep in mind it is about \$550 to treat one acre which would only be 10 acres with the grant funds. The BLCD has asked to do 300 acres and the cost would be about \$150,000. The BLCD is expecting six contractor bids and they are all certified and bonded by the State. Question was asked how much a property owner could personally spray and it was noted that they can do 625 sq feet. It was also noted that currently they are reviewing bids for generators as part of a maintenance plan for three stations.

To stay current on lake activities/updates you should go to the BLCD website: <https://www.blcd-ind.org/>

X. Old Business

Membership Drive: The hard copy mailing was sent a week ago. Our first membership drive and golf cart inspection is scheduled for May 22.

Directory Update: The 2021 Directory will be going to print this week.

Boating Class: Terry Chmiel stated the 2021 Boating Class originally scheduled to take place at the BLPOA building on June 5 is now scheduled for June 26. LaGrange County has one scheduled but that is all that is listed on the DNR site. Terry said he is still having difficulty reaching our DNR officer. David Wiseman is to email Terry (cc Rick Anderson) his connection as he worked in Marshall County.

Solar Farm: Rick Anderson stated he has been in contact with GEG regarding the solar project. He shared that part of the plan was the possibility of redirecting a couple of irrigation wells. GEG is leasing the land from owners and while the land owners would retain ownership of the wells they are open to using the wells for the lake during the length of the lease. Rick stated he would like to start a committee to develop a plan for GEG. Anyone interested in assisting should reach out to Rick Anderson directly and not the BLPOA Board.

Healthy Shoreline Projects: Rick Anderson stated there are a few in the approval process.

XI. New Business

The Prairie Trails extension, two miles south of the lake, should be done shortly.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 am. The next meeting will be May 1, 2021 at 9:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Laiter
BLPOA Secretary