

# BASS LAKE PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

## MEETING MINUTES 8/22/20

### I. Attendees

- A. *Officers:* Rick Anderson, Mary Topelian, AJ Gappa, Kathy Laiter
- B. *Directors:* Terry Chmiel, Rik Ritzler, Gayle Smith, Ron Vendl
- C. *Absent:* Rich Linkus
- D. *# of Property Owners/Guests Attending:* 26

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 July 11, 2020 Property Owner's meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mary Topelian with a second by Terry Chmiel to approve the July minutes as presented. The minutes were "approved" and will be posted on the BLPOA website <https://www.inbasslake.com/>

### III. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, AJ Gappa, reviewed the July treasurer's reports. It was approved for audit and will be posted on the BLPOA website.

<b>OPERATING FUND/MONEY MARKET:</b>	<b>July</b>
Beginning Balance	76,751.51
Deposits / Trans.	---
Interest	.65
Withdrawals / Trans.	---
Ending Balance	<b>76,752.16</b>
<b>Misc:</b>	
CD	<b>102,753.57</b>
Interest	---
<b>GRANT CHECKING ACCOUNT:</b>	
Beginning Balance	25.00
Deposits	---
Disbursements	---
Ending Balance	<b>25.00</b>
<b>GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT :</b>	
Beginning Balance	98,180.34
Deposits: Memberships / Rentals / Deposits / Social Committee / Transfers / Directories / Recycling	3,790.00
Disbursements	<b>12,062.07</b>
Ending Balance	<b>89,908.27</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>269,439.00</b>

**IV. Beautification/Welcome**

Gayle Smith stated the flowers are doing well and is handing out welcome packages; waiting on 3 new families. Mary Topelian has been working on the BLPOA building flower bed/bell area and Ron Vendl to raise a flag up.

Discussion took place regarding the painting or replacing the Welcome to Bass Lake signs. Ron Vendl checked with son on repainting the signs and due to the material cannot do so but has a vendor that makes them and will reach out to them for information. Rik Ritzler to check on assisting in taking down the current signs. Board will speak to Dan Kajer regarding building brick welcome sign by the new T/triangle.

**V. Social Committee**

Mary stated nothing is taking place until the new year. They are moving forward with the Christmas Marketplace in early December and if you know of a vendor have them contact her.

**VI. Building Rentals**

Rick Anderson reminded everyone that the building will be closed for rentals for the remainder of this year. The normal groups will continue to meet with face covering and social distancing.

**VII. Building Maintenance**

Rick Anderson stated we have received a couple of quotes to power wash and paint the outside of the building but we need to get clarifications to better understand them.

Rik Ritzler stated the parking lot has been seal coated and will be striped within the next few days.

**VIII. Buoys**

Gary Laiter advised everyone that he has added lights to rock buoys and repaired some top covers. He is looking for someone to adopt a rock buoy on the south end of the lake. Discussion took place on adding additional red buoys to more clearly define the channel. Mary Topelian motioned that we purchase two additional red buoys seconded by Rik Ritzler. Motion was approved. If you have a rock buoy and want an auger with an ice buoy to mark the location now would be the time to do it.

**IX. Neighborhood Watch**

Ron Vendl stated that the last meeting the officer mentioned that countywide as of 8/03 there were 16,000 calls to the sheriff office which is up a little. In our area there were 52 incidents; up from 30+ last year. Quite a diverse list. Only one theft at the subdivision next to Harbor House (garden equipment off a parked trailer). Ron reviewed some of the incidents that took place.

Another item discussed is they are looking at expanding the wellness check program. The Neighborhood Watch inherited a list in 2012 of people living year round, elderly or disabled, or single that people want checked on or contacted once a week. List expanded in 2014/2015 and about three years ago was reduced to a handful as people have moved, gone to a nursing home, passed away, etc. Ron will send a memo to the Board to get input about regenerating the list. Currently have about eight drivers and need to expand to not just Neighborhood Watch members but others to volunteer to help check on people. Next meeting is September 14 at 6:30 pm (in this room).

Member asked about our extra patrol officers and do they submit reports? Ron indicated the last time we hired an officer he was new and the report was very short. Ron let Detective Lawson know that we were not happy with the report. Discussion that if officers are not productive then

maybe we should not continue with the program especially if they are not stopping or ticketing people

Member asked for anyone affected by the late night disruptions near the Honey Hole that there is a local hearing on 9/01 at 1 pm (virtual hearing) and if you want to call and complain please do so. Time to get their license renewed and some are trying to stop it. He has information and asked to see him after the meeting for information.

**X. Bass Lake Conservancy District**

Larry stated we've had 22.51 inches year to date and average about 38.79 inches. The recent storm didn't produce a lot of rain. The pump usually pumps 1.5 - 1.6M gallons a day and is currently doing about 1.2 - 1.3M gallons a day. Nothing we can do until we get rain. We are close to 2012 levels.

Aquatic Control was out last week to do the Tier 2 survey and sent letter to the Board. Larry read a paragraph from letter detailing findings. Results were positive and a new chemical was used that lasts about two years. To discuss further at the next BLCD meeting.

BLCD now has their own email server. Sent two emails so far and getting good results. There are forms if you would like to pick one up or it is also on their website for members to complete and be added to the email list. The email list will not be sold/shared with anyone so it will be stay confidential.

At the next meeting the BLCD meeting they will discuss rentals around the lake and sharing the addresses with the county. They are also looking into installing generators at the 22 lift stations.

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

**XI. Old Business**

*Boating Issues:* A member mentioned they watch jet skis speeding in/out of the beach area with a DNR Officer sitting, watching and doing nothing about it. Kathy Carrier advised that Alex Quick is our DNR officer and a suggestion was made that the Board reach out and ask him to attend a spring meeting. Larry Collura noted that many boats are riding inside the buoys and when the DNR was contacted was told if possible to take pictures and get boat registration numbers. Unfortunately many boats do not have numbers this year due to Covid and offices not being open. Mary reminded everyone that buoys should be placed 350 feet from shore but it is still the DNR decision on boats and breaking rules. A suggestion was made to post signs at the beach, marina and public launch ramp as well as possibly sending an email with some boating guidelines. It was noted that Boa Shores hires off duty officers to help patrol on holiday weekends and maybe we could do the same with the DNR.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:14 am. The next meeting will be October 3, 2020 at 9:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Laiter  
BLPOA Secretary