

**Big Eagle Lake Improvement Association Minutes for June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**  
**Orrock Town Hall - 26401 180th St NW, Big Lake, MN 55309**

Meeting called to order 6:37 PM.

Present: Gordy Westerlind, Mike Donnelly, Jeff Johnson, Paul Ellinger, Troy Olsen, John Smullen, CJ Johnson, Sarah Phillips, Dan Boyle, Lori Andreen. Absent: Ed Peitso, JR McGuire. Guest: Bryan Adams

Motion to approve the Agenda made by Paul, seconded by CJ. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of 5.23.2023 (after change made that we met at Lake Café, not Orrock Town Hall) meeting made by Troy, seconded by Mike. Motion carried.

Reports

Checking Account Balance as of the beginning of May 2023	\$43,448.02
Deposits – \$3,973.89 (Dues/Donations, Amazon Smiles)	
Checks – \$837.95 (Annual Meeting, BL Chamber dues, MN State)	
Checking Account Balance as of the end of May 2023	\$46,583.96
Uncleared Transactions – \$810.00	
Uncleared Deposits \$180.33	
Balance as of 6/7/2023 -	\$45,954.29

There were 80 *paid-up* members at the end of May 2023

There were 68 *paid-up* members at the end of May 2022

There were \$6,563.40 in “extra” contributions collected through May 2023

There were \$5,211.11 in “extra” contributions made through May 2022

The 2021 Minnesota Attorney General annual report filed April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The 2022 990 Federal Tax return was filed on February 18<sup>th</sup> 2023

The 2022 renewal with the Secretary of State was filed June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The 2022 Minnesota Sales Tax Return submitted January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Respectfully submitted by,

Jeff Johnson

Treasurer

○ Expenditure Approvals

- Motion to approve expenditure of \$13,400 to Aquatic Solutions for CLP Herbicide made by John, seconded by Paul. Motion carried.
  - MN DNR gave a variance for a higher permitted acreage as the shoreline treatments added to littoral acreage.
- Motion to approve the following expenditures made by Jeff, seconded by Paul. Motion carried.
  - \$2500 for Smokin’ Pulled Pork Cook-Off August 11-12<sup>th</sup> at Lupulin Brewing.
  - \$100 to Sponsor Big Lake’s ‘Music in the Park’ Beer Tent.
  - \$500 to cover mailing and printing ELID information.
  - \$705 to AIS Consulting for EWM Survey.

- Lake Quality Committee
  - o AIS Inspector Volunteer Status – Minimal hours expended so far. Troy and JR are still waiting for their DNR approvals.
  - o Secchi Disc reading 6.5 as of two weeks ago.
  - o Lori reports minimal herbicide control of their lakeshore after Aquatic Solutions herbicide treatment. Board members to check the status of their treatments.
  
- ELID Committee
  - o Jeff reports that he, Paul, Gordy, and Bryan met with the Sherburne County Administrators and received verbal support and guidance. Made recommendations going forward.
  - o Dan Cibulka (SWCD) along with Jeff, Gordy, and Bryan will attend a workshop with the County Commissioners on July 18<sup>th</sup>. Dan will make the presentation.
  - o The committee has met with LID representatives of the Briggs Lake Chain and Lake Orono.
  - o Potential sources of funding were discussed, Mike to research.
  - o Board Members will need to go door to door when the petition is approved.
  - o The Sherburne County Board of Commissioners will want BELIA to recommend people to serve on the Eagle Lake Improvement District Board of Directors for the first year as the Commissioners must appoint these Directors.
  
- Chamber
  - o BELIA to serve/support ‘Music in the Park’ Beer Tent 7/13 along with the BLCLA. The Chamber will support lake associations and collect \$ from the beer sales.
    - Paul, Sarah, and possibly Troy have offered to help along with Kristin Vigoren and Lori Neiss of the Events Committee
    - To reach out to Gloria of the BL Chamber for more instructions.
  - o Golf Scramble – 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Scramble Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at Monticello Country Club. 10 AM Registration 11 AM Shotgun Start.
  
- Sponsorships: Continuing to work out details.
  
- Events:
  - o May’s Culver’s Fundraiser netted \$1220!
  - o Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>: 1:00 PM – Boat Parade –BELIA will have the first float. Judging:
    - Most creative (traveling trophy + 2 pork flights)
    - Most patriotic (1 flight)
    - Most comical (1 flight)
  - o Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> – Poker Run 3-9 PM
  - o Saturday, August 11-12<sup>th</sup> Smokin’ Pulled Pork Cook-Off/Silent Auction/Games!
  - o Winter Raffle – George will be soliciting donations.
  
- Next Board Meeting Date – Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM location TBD
- Motion to adjourn made by John, seconded by CJ. Meeting adjourned at 8:06.

Respectfully submitted  
 Lori Andreen  
 BELIA Secretary