Bad Medicine Lake Association

Board Meeting

September 14, 2018

Members Present

Linda Bentson De De Krieg Marge Lorentzsen Jane Gundmundson Mary Lindstrom Scott Bentson Marc Shannon

Absent Linda Anderson Paul Stadem

- 1. **Treasurer Report** given by Marge L. Copy distributed. President and Treasurer will both sign checks over \$1000 per board policy. Motion to approve by Linda B., seconded by Jane G. Motion passed.
- 2. Township Report Lynn Lindow was in attendance. Lynn discussed Becker County permit procedures. New permit sites are visited in the beginning, and later inspected again near completion. Shoreline construction requires a permit. Recent construction on the southwest side of the lake had proper permits. Barriers are required 50' above the OHWM (ordinary high-water mark) during construction. DNR has authority over size and installation of sand blankets. Ten yards is limit on new beach installations. The lake was 3' above the OHWM this spring, maybe only 2' above at the present. The best practice to protect our lake from runoff would be natural shoreline, no beach blanket. There are no septic tank inspections on BML right now. There is a 10-year cycle, we may be up for more inspection in a few years. No hazardous waste is acceptable on amnesty day. The Osage transfer station limit is 4 yards from BML. The County speed limit criteria to lower speed limits on BMLAA roads is a house dwelling within 300' of the gravel road every ¼ mile. Lynn suggested that none of our roads meet this criterion except for one section of Red Top road.
- 3. **Next Door.** Has 100 members. There was discussion about using next door for water clarity education and looking for services needed by our members.
- **4.** Lake Issues. There was one zebra mussel found on the ramp at the public access. DNR divers came to inspect area and did not see infestation. Boats arrive as early as 5:00 am at the access. There also seems to be more traffic on BML over last year.
- 5. Lake Study. Steve Lindow is in contact with Rick at Bemidji State on lake study update.
- 6. **COLA.** Tom Lorentzsen has agreed to be our representative.

7. **Foundation Board** Ray Vlasak & Jim Luttrell were present. The foundation was established in 2002 to deal with properties impacted by high water. Many buyouts were conducted of affected properties. The Foundation and BMLAA have very similar goals, to protect the quality of the lake. The Foundation board requested that BMLAA assist in raising funds to complete third year of lake study.

8. Old Business.

- i. BMLAA will suspend the \$2500 donation for 2019, as we do not have the funds.
- ii. No website volunteer yet. Jim Eisele will continue for now.
- iii. Jane G. is continuing to work on collecting data for fall newsletter.
- New lake directory will come out next summer. Discussion was made about whether it should be free to members and how much to charge non-members.
 Final decision will be made next May.
- v. Motion was made for approval of Kurt Withnell ski course permit for 2019 by Marc S. seconded by Jane G. Motion carried.
- vi. Complaints. Wake board boats and jet skis are a consistent complaint due to large waves causes by these crafts and the distance these craft operate from docks. Apparently, there is a county wake law we can investigate that may help us enforce lake traffic. Suggestion was made to contact the sheriff's office to provide more enforcement in 2019.

9. New Business

- Discussion was made about content of board minutes. Minutes should be succinct, and better document parliamentary procedure as well as document motions taken by the board and specify board members tasked with taking specific actions
- ii. E-mailing approval of speed limit request was successful. All agreed to use this method for future email voting if necessary.
- iii. Recommendations on voting and non-voting members was discussed. The members will vote on this next June at annual meeting.
- iv. DeDe medical report. Ambulance service comes from Ponsford, automatically dispatches helicopter for certain calls (heart attack, stroke, major trauma)
 Helicopter time: 20 minutes is the fastest it could get to Bad Medicine; but lands at public access so will take longer to get crew to patient. To land closer to patient, they need a 150' X 150' clear area, could get by with 100' X 100' clear area during daylight
- 10. Adjourn Marge L. made a motion, Mary L. seconded, motion approved.

Minutes prepared by Marc Shannon

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BMLAA Secretary Sept 30, 2018