

BDLIA  
Minutes Board Meeting  
January 30, 2018

Participants: Bill F, Ken S, Dick E, Mike G, Randy S, Karen H, Mark W, Chuck F, Pete H, Ron G, and Bill B  
Guest: Jim Gade

#### Minutes

- Minutes of the November meeting were approved

#### Financial Reports

- November and December Financials were approved

#### Executive Committee

- Bill F reported that the Dodge County LWCC will be testing well in town of Westford. The committee is also developing objectives for the LWCC.
- Bill B updated the board on activities of the Dodge County Farmers for HSHW and requested the board consider making a payment to support the educational activities of this group and to support the cover crop incentive program.
  - The board approved a \$500 payment for educational needs and a \$600 payment for cover crop incentive program. The incentive payment was based on \$20 an acre for a minimum of 30 acres.
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#### Buildings and Property Committee

- Pete will have the ATV serviced this spring
- Randy suggested we have a battery charger on this ATV. All agreed

#### Membership Committee

- Because of the great interest in lake properties, the membership committee will work with local realtors to get their support to help sell memberships to new home owners. It was suggested that the realtor pay for the first year membership.
- The committee reviewed Volunteer Dodge to see how it can help BDLIA

#### Fish Program Committee

- Four aerators were deployed on January 6
- There were problems with the saws. The committee will resolve prior to next year how to address this.
- The aerators have had to be turned on and off periodically this past month as the warm temperatures are opening up too much water
- DO readings were reviewed
- It is estimated that the aerators will be removed the first week in March
- 1.7 million lbs. of carp and buffalo were removed from BD Lake in 2017
- Only 3 lakes in southern WI were renewed for commercial fishing in 2018
- The Springs had an excellent ice fishing tournament in January with over \$1,000 in proceeds coming to BDLIA
- The Springs will have a catfish tournament on June 16. BDLIA will publicize this event.
- Changing catfish limit to 25 will be on the spring ballot at the Conservation Congress on April 7. BDLIA is encouraged to have a good delegation there in support of the resolution
- APHIS advised BDLIA that there would not be any reasonable number of permits available this coming spring for shooting Cormorants. Again, only harassment techniques will be allowed

### Lake Management Committee

- Bill F reviewed Handout A with the board. This shows that from the WRM study BD Lake only has 138 tons of phosphorus. The two major sources are 45% from external land and 33% from carp. The 138 tons is encouraging for if we lower this to 100 tons we can go from poor water quality to fair.
- Lake Level - Handout B
  - New lower level in fall and winter. This will help protect shoreline and spawning areas. The winds are stronger in fall and winter and thus you don't want higher water at these times.
  - The board passed by unanimous vote a resolution supporting the dam order as presented.
- CWH
  - Bill F presented pictures of the installation this past week of CWH along the western shore of the lake. More will go out if weather cooperates.
- Bill F reviewed some of the research and work along Beaver Creek.

### Information and Education Committee

- Joel W has updated and cleaned up the static displays
- Website has many new postings
- February newsletter is in the works
- The board approved by unanimous vote the resolution supporting the 2 Healthy Lakes projects for 2018

### Lake District Committee

- Currently working with Dodge County Counsel to determine what exactly is needed for legal description of boundaries for the petition

### Activities Committee

- Fish 'n Fun Committee has met and begun planning for June 2 event
- The Great Beaver Paddle Festival Committee has been meeting for 3 months, making plans for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual event to be held June 9
- BDLIA will be at the Youth Expo on February 24 signing up kids for Fish 'n Fun and marketing the cardboard boat regatta. The four volunteers for the day are Bill B, Karen H, Ron G and Dick E.

### Banquet Committee

- Committee reported that it may be a little ahead of schedule

### Fundraising Committee

- First reporting meeting will be Tuesday, February 6

Next meeting is Tuesday, February 27 at 7:00 pm at Chamber

Meeting adjourned