

BDLIA
Board of Directors
Minutes
February 28, 2017

Participants: Bill F, Bill B, Mike G, Pete H, Mark w, Joel W, Dick, E, Randy S, Karen H and Ken S. Excused
Chuck F

Guests: Dennis Toeller, Thomas Toelluer, Thane Lyons and Jim Gade

Guests Dennis, Thomas and Thane spoke against BDLIA's recommended changes in the fish regulations. Rather than a limit of 10 of one species they spoke in favor of 15 of one species. They also spoke against use of boards and triple hooks for walleye fishing. Their suggestions will be considered by the fish program committee.

Minutes

The January minutes were approved after corrections.

Financials

January financial reports were approved.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee

- Bill F advised:
 - The Dodge County LCC is now the LWCC (Land & Water Conservation Committee)
 - The Lake Development Corp made two cash allocations to BDLIA:
 - \$5,000 for fish stocking
 - \$10,000 for installing carp gates. This allocation had the stipulation that these funds be kept in a segregated account until they are used. The board directed that they be placed in a CD marked as funds for carp gates from the LDC
- Bill B advised
 - The Nonpoint Group had a very successful workshop with over 250 farmers attending the daytime program and 100 property owners at an evening seminar. This indicated that the ag community is headed in the right direction in working toward controlling nonpoint runoff
 - The City of Beaver Dam approved that up to \$450 could be paid in expenses to the person doing the launch fee collections. This was an increase from the previously allowed amount of \$250
 - BDLIA received a check for \$6,633.47 for launch fees collected at the three city launch sites for the 2016 season
 - The Leadership Beaver Dam group is moving forward with its assistance to BDLIA to upgrade the signage at the 3 city and one county launch sites. It was recommended that signs being placed on the message board be checked with the warden

Buildings and Grounds

- Pete H reported that the no-wake buoys will be repainted and have required maintenance completed before they are deployed in April

Membership

- Membership remains at approximately 360
- Committee will follow up with nonmembers that attend the annual banquet
- Committee is making plans for the door to door campaign in May

Fish Program

- BDLIA will sponsor a bass and walleye tournament on June 4th
- The committee recommends that \$10,000 (\$5,000 from BDLIA budget and \$5,000 from LDC) be spent on stocking walleye either this spring or next fall
- The committee will review BDLIA's recommendation to change pan fish limits from 25 with 10 on one species to 25 with 15 of one species based on input at today's meeting and other input the committee has received. This decision must be made before the recommendation to the Conservation Congress in April. The committee will keep its recommendation for the 18 inch on walleye not be changed

Lake Management

- Bill F reviewed the key points of the planning grant for BDLIA that was recently approved by the DNR. He pointed out that a couple of items in the grant need to be clarified but will have no effect on the overall grant. He also gave an update on the UW project and a meeting the project had with the county Land Conservation Department
- At a recent DNR conference attended by Bill F he reported to the board that the DNR is changing its views on dredging and now considering it as a tool it may authorize
- Because of weakened ice conditions the CWH projects planned for this winter are being moved to next winter
- Interviews are being conducted with lake property owners in two areas to determine their support for herbicide treatment of CLP this spring. If results are not conclusive it was suggested that we wait until later this spring and if CLP is again dense we poll property owners. Also at that time more of the seasonal residents will be at their lake properties

Activities and Special Events

- Planning is underway for Fish 'n Fun on Saturday, June 3
- Volunteers will be at Canoecopia on March 10 - 12 to inform the attendees of our 2nd annual Great Beaver Paddle Festival which will be on June 10 this year

Fundraising

- Joel reported that the solicitation campaign was in its wrap up stage and appeared that it would meet this year's goals
- The banquet committee is working hard on final plans for the 21st annual banquet and has planned a couple of new raffles to spark interest in the event

Next meeting will be April 25, 2017. No meeting in March because of the banquet.

Meeting adjourned