

BDLIA Board of Directors  
Minutes  
November 27, 2018

Participants: Bill F, Bill B, Mark W, Pete H, Ron G, C Frinak, D Emerson, K Huber and K Schmidt  
Absent: Mike G and Dean G

Minutes:

October minutes were approved as presented

Financial Reports:

- October financial reports were approved as presented
- The separation of funds between earmarked and unencumbered was reviewed

Miscellaneous Reports

- Bill F reported that the Dodge County LWCC took no action regarding the BD Lake or river
- Key points from the November 15 meeting of LDC
  - BDLIA gave LDC comprehensive report on its aeration activities on BD Lake
  - Continued discussion on disposition of Skunk Island
    - City is currently not in favor of taking over operation of the island due to difficulty to operate as a recreational site
    - BD Conservationists were interested in acquiring but not as a place for public usage
    - If LDC kept the island and opened it for public use, it would require them purchasing an expensive liability insurance policy
- Bill B and Ron G outlined some recent activities of Dodge County HS/HW
  - Fox Lake and Lake Sinnissippi have donated \$11,000, which has been used to purchase cover crop seed for farmers in their watershed. This seed is given to the farmers
  - The major education program for farmers will again be presented on February 6 & 7, 2019
  - A tie in seminar for the evening of February 6 for lake property owners is being put together by representatives of the 3 lakes, both districts and associations
  - The two groups, the Farmers and the Alliance, are making progress with more farmers being involved, more cover crops being planted and increase support from government and industry. A DTACP grant for over \$30,000 for 2019 was recently approved for the Farmers' Group
  - The organizational structure continues to be work in progress.

Buildings and Property

- The committee is trying to sell the hatchery trailer. Price currently is \$500. If no offers are received in a reasonable period of time, the price will be lowered, but no less than \$300. It was suggested that the trailer be placed in front of our storage shed with a for sale sign on it

Membership

- Current membership approximately 340
- Delinquent membership remains over 62
- There are currently no plans to send out cards to the delinquents

Fish Programs

- Aeration
  - A permit will be applied for
  - It will include information on a possible new diffuser system
  - The committee is meeting on November 28 to set up teams for aeration deployment
  - The BD fire department has agreed to assist in the retrieving of the aerators at the end of the season
- Fish Stocking
  - We have received a grant from UWEx through Dodge County for \$4,922 for fish stocking in 2019

- Part of the requirement for using these funds is that the suppliers must be approved by the state and we have a competitive bidding process
- It was noted that BDLIA has a contract for fish for this fiscal year in the amount of \$20,000. This amount was spent this past fall

#### Lake Management

- No-wake buoys
  - We have approximately \$5,500 for repair of the current buoys and purchase of new buoys. These funds are from:
    - \$1,375 - LDC
    - \$1,375 - BDLIA
    - \$2,750 - Grant
  - Next step is to determine how much new chain and shackles are needed for the repair
- Lake Management Grant 1717
  - Reimbursement request will be submitted by December 31, 2018
  - Complete report will not be finished for several months. Deadline is June 30
  - Chapter 3 of the report will be the UW WRM report
  - It was requested that at least a draft of this report be available for the February 6 seminar

#### Lake District

- We continue to receive signed petitions, but less than 15 have been received since middle of November
- The November 14 Lake District Open House drew only about 15 to 20 prospective signers. It was pointed out that a major value was the mailing to all those not signed informing them that the campaign is still very active
- The presentations by Eric Olsen and Mike were videotaped and will be used as the campaign moves forward.
- It will require one on one contacts in person or by letter to obtain the last 120 or so petitions required
- It is not expected we will have required number of petitions before the next tax roll is published. Therefore the committee is researching how this will affect the petitions we have as well as possible new signatures we can obtain.
- Presentations will be made to the townships of Westford, Fox Lake and Beaver Dam asking them for their signed petitions
- Calamus and Trenton do not own property on the lake
- The county Corp Counsel advised us that they will not sign the petition because they must vote on the resolution and the signing can't appear to indicate support of the lake district

#### I&E Committee

- November newsletter was sent early November
- The February newsletter will be written in January and mailed early February
- The committee placed on the next edition of the chamber map locations for no-wake buoys and kayak launches
- The committee is working on the lakes seminar on February 6

#### Banquet Committee

- Continues to meet regularly with planning on schedule

#### Solicitation Committee

- New volunteers are being lined up as several solicitors dropped off
- All lists are being reviewed
- Kick off meeting will be held on January 8 at Landmark Credit Union

#### Activities Committee

- The Great Beaver Paddle Festival Committee will meet in early January

Next Board meeting is January 29, 2019

Meeting adjourned