

BRANT LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes Saturday, May 21, 2022

Farmhouse Café, Chester, SD

Board Members present:

David King Lisa Christenson David Phalen Terry Mehlbrech Barry Brown Jody Ackerman

Dave Philips Lori Ellis John Monahan Dave Landry Lisa Hohman (Zoom) Jeri Mehlbrech

Guest: Bonnie Monahan

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Jeri M. read minutes from 4/9 Board meeting. Minutes approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking balance as of 5/20/2022	\$ 9,173.56
Money market balance as of 5/20/2022	\$64,322.12
Balance of CD's	\$ 1,114.79
Advertising \$ yet to receive	\$ 2,230.00

OLD BUSINESS:

Pancake Feed: Mehlbrechs offered to store pancake feed supplies for possible future use. Any excess supplies will be sorted through for Board direction on disposal at a later meeting.

BLIA shirts: Paula Wagner researched purchasing items and submitted a report recommending Fox Promotion out of Madison. Representative of Fox suggested embroidery for shirts, etc. that can be ordered on line. Dave L will forward Paula's report to Board members. Subject to be addressed at annual membership meeting to determine interest.

Lake Outlet: John Monahan and Dave Landry shared information on the reasons for delay of this project. Dave Landry will invite Game, Fish and Parks to annual meeting to update membership on the outlet progress and timeline.

Mussels: John Monahan gave Board members a look at what mussels are from some collected in MCook Lake. Mussels have appeared in several lakes in SD, but no signs in Brant Lake at this time. All boaters are encouraged to be sure their boats are cleaned from contamination before launching.

Pipeline: Jody and Barry shared information regarding the proposed CO2 pipeline projects. No new, specific information at this time. No Board action needed at this point.

Rearing Pond: Dave Landry identified this as a huge problem for the lake. Dave Philips made a motion that the Board give \$5,000 toward clearing the rearing pond. Discussion followed. Points raised:

--The issue of private property vs public lake. --reparian water belongs to the state.-- Mitigation has been done above the pond by other entities. --Dredging for the lake is not an option. --Continuing erosion and silting into the lake is an emergency situation. --Board needs to request specific details regarding what it planned and needed.

Dave Landry tabled the issue to next meeting.

Lake Directories: Dave King notified Board that next year a 1099 tax form needs to be filed for directory contract. Discussion followed on future status of directory: Is directory still relevant? Possible online publishing? Lost sales revenue? Possibly every other year? Barry and Lorrie will investigate getting Venmoe and PayPal options for directory/membership payments next year. Topic of directories to be placed on annual meeting agenda.

Lake Directory Distribution: Yvonne Ernster delivered the 2022 directories to the Board. 200 directories were ordered, currently at 100 paid members. Directories will be available for pickup at the Shipwreck on Sunday, June 5, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Jeri M will post notices in Chester businesses and the Shipwreck. Lorie will post on website and Facebook. Barry will send out notice to members via email. All Board notices will include information regarding directory distribution and notification of the annual meeting. Information on meeting follows. Following Board members volunteered for May 5: Jody, Lorie, Lisa C., Dave L, Dave Phalen, David K.

Annual BLIA Membership Meeting: Saturday, June 11, 9:00a.m. at Chester Community Center.

Board officers to meet at 8:00. Board meeting at 8:30. Annual meeting at 9:00. Current officers: Dave Landry, Paula Wagner, Jeri Mehlbrech agreed to serve another year. David King is willing to accept the treasurer position. Proposed slate to be presented to members at annual meeting. Dave Landry to contact Game Fish and Parks for possible guest speaker.

NEW BUSINESS :

Storm Damage and lake levels: Lake properties received some destruction with lots of trees down and some buildings damaged. BLIA has 2 directional signs down. Dave Landry will check with County Highway about getting repairs done to those. Landfills in Madison, Junius and Sioux Falls all are offering free dump for storm damage.

Lake levels are extremely low this year. Discussion on warning all boaters to take extra care when launching boats, installing docks and lifts, and boating.

Motion to adjourn: 10:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeri Mehlbrech, secretary

Next Board Meeting: June 11, 8:30 a.m. Chester Community Center, followed by annual meeting: 9:00 a.m.