

# ***Belmont Lake Cottagers' Association***

## ***Minutes, Board Meeting***

**Monday, June 19, 2021 at 7:00pm via Zoom**

**Present:** Evan Meyers, Katherine Deas, Erin Dixon, John Dixon, Val Marshall, Wendy Vuyk, Peter White

### **1. Membership Update**

- Val reported that membership stands at 225, with 10 new received today
- Val will circulate the latest draft of a financial forecast for 2021 and 2022 for feedback from the board

### **2. Newsletter Delivery**

- Evan reported that most packages have been delivered to cottagers.

### **3. Events Update**

- **Al Lerman Concert July 10**
  - We will encourage registration, but will accept all who choose to attend
  - Need to provide details of rain date (the following Sunday) and instructions on the safest way to enter Brackenridge Bay
- **Poetry Contest**
  - Need to communicate the need for judges
- **Belmont Expedition**
  - Erin demonstrated the app to be used for the expedition
  - Each BLCA member can have 2 teams, each with multiple members
  - Each team member will load the app on their device
- **Belmont Fireworks July 3**
  - We will keep to our commitment of \$1500 this year
  - Suggest that for future years we explore the possibility of having land viewing, perhaps at the public launch

### **4. Lake Etiquette**

- There was a wide ranging discussion on how best to communicate improved consideration of others on the lake
- Issues include personal water craft (PWC), loud fast boats, day users of the lake, cottage renters, noise in general, speeding on the rivers, rudeness at the sand bars
- We agreed that we would create an article or two for next year's newsletter, encouraging everyone to be more considerate of others and explaining the various regulations on noise and boating safety
- We should ask the Crowe Lake Waterway Association how the article they published in their summer newsletter was received so we can assess if that would be productive for us to use next year
- Evan suggested that we hire a few students next year to interview those launching boats so we can understand how the lake is being used. Consider 2 or 3 different days for the interviews
- Guidelines for renters and signage should be considered to get our message across

## 5. HBMLA Meeting with Mayor Jim Martin

- Peter provided an update of the meeting held with Mayor Martin and reps from the 8 lakes in the township
- Key issues raised by the mayor included short term rentals, special pandemic funding, a new surface for Round Lake Road, clear bags for the transfer station as of July 1, on-land boathouse regulations and the fact that Bob Angionne is now the full CAO of the township
- Mayor Martin will cover these and other topics at the BLCA AGM

## 6. AGM Planning

- **Peter** will prepare a draft agenda for the AGM
- **Peter** will prepare a powerpoint presentation that includes the final agenda and all 4 motions requiring approval, including the person moving the motion and the seconder
- The presentation will also include promotion of key events, including the lake concerts, expedition and poetry contest
- Voting will be done via the polling feature of Zoom
- We will require registration for the AGM. Invitation to register will be sent to all active members a week before the AGM. Val will validate that those requesting registration are in fact members in good standing

## 7. BLCA Clothing

- **Katherine** will investigate the various groups who are creating lake related clothing to see if there is possibility to partner with them on new BLCA orders

## 8. Next email Blast

- By June 30 we need to push another email blast
- **Val** and **Erin** will provide verbiage to promote the lake concerts, expedition and poetry contest. This information will also be used to create the slides for the AGM
- Reminder about Belmont fireworks should also be included
- Similar information should also be posted on our Facebook page and other social media