

## Bowman Lake Association Annual Member's Meeting Minutes

Sunday, 26 July 2020 Scheduled for 5:00 pm

Call to Order: Time: 5:09 pm by: Mark Nasuti, President

\*\*\*\*\*Coronavirus Covid19 pandemic is occurring. Governor's numerous executive orders effects social life including physical distancing. \*\*\*\*\*

Meeting conducted over ZOOM Video and Audio Meeting program.

Current Board Members:	Present	Yes	No
President: Mark Nasuti		X	
Vice President: Janice Anne Kullman		X	
Secretary: Karen Clickner Douthiel		X	
Treasurer: Laura D'Agostino		X	
Directors: 3 year terms, 2 directors elected each year			
Jack Betterly (elected July/Aug 2019)		X	
Matt Robilotta (elected July/Aug 2019)		X	
Rachel Cahill (elected July/Aug 2019; 2 year term)		X	
Bill Kullman (elected July/Aug 2019; 2 year term)		X	
Dave Douthiel (elected Aug 2017)		X	
Rovie Simons (elected Aug 2017)		X	
Immediate Past President: Dan Coiteux			X

Others Participating:

Anja Carr, Bob Dawes, Sharon Dawes, Lorraine Ferguson, Vicki Fowler, John Losee, Cliff Mark, Colleen Masters, Bruce Mereness

**Constitution reads: "Article III. The members of the Association shall consist of adults age eighteen or older who 1.) makes and annual contribution to the Association and (2) own or reside for any part of the year in any residential property on Lawson Road, Windmill Way, Manning Way, Howe Way or the portion of Taborton Road on the lake side between Manning Way and Lawson Road."**

\*\*\*Agenda created by Mark Nasuti, President and quoted verbatim\*\*\*

Agenda Item #1 Voting for Meeting Minutes as approved by the Board of Directors per current BLA procedure. Note: Membership Meeting minutes are in draft form and voting is to **approve** the minutes. Board Meeting minutes are finalized and voting (per BLA tradition) is to **accept** the minutes

Acceptance of 18 August 2019 Board of Directors meeting minutes

Moved: by: Mark Nasuti, President Seconded: Rovie Simons

Vote in favor: 13 Opposed: 2 (Secretary & 1 Board Member) Abstain: 0

Accepted by majority vote

Approval of 18 August 2019 Membership meeting minutes

Moved: by: Mark Nasuti, President Seconded: Rovie Simons

Vote in favor: 12 Opposed: 2 (Secretary & 1 Board Member) Abstain: 0

Approved by majority vote

Acceptance of 17 April 2020 Board of Directors membership minutes

Moved: by: Mark Nasuti, President    Seconded: Laura D'Agostino  
Vote in favor: 13    Opposed: 2 (Secretary & 1 Board Member)    Abstain: 0  
Accepted by majority vote

Approval of 18 August 2019 Membership meeting minutes

Moved: by: Mark Nasuti, President    Seconded: no one  
Vote in favor: 12    Opposed: 0    Abstain: 2  
Approved by majority vote

Agenda Item #2 Secretary's Report (Karen Douthiel)

Karen Clickner Douthiel- no secretary report as it was done as meeting minutes approval

Agenda Item #3 Treasurer's Report, including presentation of proposed BLA budget (Laura D' Agostino)

This conforms with the process of the Constitution, Article V, which reads: "Each year at a regular meeting of the Association, the Treasurer shall present, and the Board of Directors shall adopt, an annual budget for the succeeding fiscal year after opportunity for member discussion. At the same meeting, the Treasurer shall make an annual financial report of revenues and expenditures for the preceding fiscal year."

Laura reviewed the budget which had been distributed via email in advance of the meeting. Secretary requested that the 3 charitable contributions be reviewed and placed on the agenda for the next member meeting.

Rovie requested the subject of a Lake Assessment study be included on the June 2021 agenda for consideration of expenditure for 2022.

Agenda Item #4 Discussion re: BLA budget and Board of Directors vote on budget

Board did not convene or adjourn as a "meeting within a meeting" nor did the members annual meeting adjourn and reconvene. Board members who were present at this time (1 was tardy to the meeting) voted for both 2020 & 2021 budgets in one vote.

Moved by: Mark Nasuti, President    Seconded: Rovie  
Vote in favor: 9    Opposed 0    Abstain: 0  
Approved unanimously by those Board of Directors present

Agenda Item #5 Committee reports:

- CSLAP Report    Presented by: Rovie Simons

CSLAP is acronym for Citizen Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program. Currently, along with Rovie, the committee includes Matt, Jack, and Scott Frost John Losee offered to help.

There are no items of concern. Currently, the committee is only monitoring chemical and water clarity.

Moved by Rovie to accept the CSLAP report    Seconded by Janice Anne  
Vote in favor: 18    Opposed: 0

- Water/ Dam Board (Anja Carr)

Anja stated, "Same as June; no change in dam board report."

Discussion: Colleen expressed concern with the report as it stated that the low board is in the dam rather it should be the large board to help deal with the weeds. Anja referenced the acceptable level per a 2007 decision. Colleen reiterated that we have low water levels and it needs to be as high as possible. Rovie reinforced the necessity for high water. Secretary read the BLA policy, "Regular schedule for dam operations. A dam board of 11 ½ inches to be put in

place from the middle of May (after heavy rains and snow melt runoff) until the end of October/beginning of November.” The question arose regarding who has the dam boards. Secretary stated that in a conversation with Terri Dunworth, Terri stated that after John’s passing she had given the boards to Justin because the dam is on Justin’s property. Anja will talk with Justin and put the large board in.

Motion to accept by Bruce Mereness                      Seconded by Janice Anne  
Vote in favor: 18              Opposed: 0

#### Agenda Item #6 President’s Report (Mark Nasuti)

Mark did identify himself as being a member of the Dam Board Committee. Bill Hale sends thanks to everyone for enjoying the double celebration of Kathy and his wedding anniversary and the Fourth of July Mark discussed with Bill that some people would like make personal gifts to help with the expense and Bill declined the offer. Bill wants to know if anyone has a problem with the fireworks. Nobody expressed any concerns at the meeting

#### Agenda Item #7: Proposed amendment to the BLA By-Laws: (Note: in order to pass, any proposed amendments require a three-fourths majority vote of all members voting at the meeting.)

a.) Delete the word “emergency” from section 1, paragraph 2 and add the following statement: “Agenda requirements for meetings referenced in the constitution or bi-laws do not apply to Board meetings, Committee meetings or Emergency meetings.”

Mark read the current statement from the by-laws ( “The agendas of all regular, special, and emergency meetings of the Association must be published no less than ten (10) days in advance of the meeting and sent to all members by mail, email, or hand delivery. Only matters on the published agenda for a meeting may be put to a vote at that meeting.”) and the proposed wording.

Motion by: Mark Nasuti, President    Seconded by Matt

#### Discussion

Consensus expressed to “kick the can down the road”. Therefore, there was no vote.

#### Agenda Item #8 Proposal regarding the Regatta: Does the BLA sponsor a Regatta in 2020?

Mark moved to vote on the proposal, “Does the BLA sponsor a Regatta in 2020?”

Seconded by Rovie.

Vote: Yes for Regatta: 0              No Regatta: 19              Abstain: 0

The motion passed by a unanimous vote that there will be no BLA sanctioned Regatta in 2020.

#### Agenda Item #9 Proposal to donate funds budgeted for the Regatta (if the Regatta does not take place) to the Food Pantries for the Capital District in memory of BLA members we had lost this year.

Donation will be \$400.00 as that is allotted in budget.

Mark moved, Seconded by Jack, to donate funds budgeted for the Regatta to the Food Pantries for the Capital District in memory of BLA members we had lost this year.

Vote in favor donating \$400.00 to Food Pantry: 16    Opposed:1              Abstain:1

#### Agenda Item #10 2020 BLA Elections. Positions & Candidates up for election are:

- a.) President: Mark Nasuti
- b.) Vice-President: Janice Anne Kullman
- c.) Secretary: Karen Douthiel(sic)
- d.) Treasurer: Laura D’Agostino

- e.) Board Member: Rovie Simons
- f.) Board Member Dave Douttiel

For this year, voting as a block of candidates, Moved by Mark, President, Seconded by Matt.  
Yes: 14      No:0    Abstain: 1

The New Board for the conclusion of 2020 and 2021 are:

President: Mark Nasuti

Vice President: Janice Anne Kullman

Secretary: Karen Clickner Douttiel

Treasurer: Laura D'Agostino

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Jack Betterly (elected Aug 2019)

Matt Robilotta (elected Aug 2019)

Bill Kullman (elected Aug 2019; 2 year term)

Dave Douttiel (elected Aug 2020;

Rovie Simons (elected Aug 2020;

Agenda Item #11 General Discussion (any issue any member wishes to discuss)

Sharon reiterated the need for transparency, thanked Anja for her newsletter and updated directory, and thanked Mark for his emails that have kept everyone informed. Regarding the website, Sharon is the manager and plans to update soon so please submit by email updated information anyone wants on website.

Lorraine informed of her research into oiling the eggs of Canada goose. It is legal with a permit and she may make an application to get one. The flock this spring was about 32 geese from 3 nesting pairs.

Next Board of Directors Meeting: Undecided

June\_\_\_\_, 2020      Location:

Board Meeting Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Next Members Meeting: Undecided

June\_\_\_\_, 2020      Location:      Member Meeting Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at: 6:58 pm      Moved by Mark Nasuti, President; seconded by Laura