

Minutes of the June 5, 2021
Barlow Lake Association Meeting

The June 2021 Barlow Lake Association meeting was called to order by Luke Miller with 20 homeowners and 4 officers present. Current Officers, Area Captains, event chairpersons and volunteers were recognized.

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the August 15, 2020 Lake Association meeting were provided to those in attendance.

Treasurer's Report

Don Visser provided his Financial Report commenting that the Lake Association is in good shape financially. Dues contributions were down a bit, but the contributions over and above the \$40 dues were up and very much appreciated.

Fireworks

Earl Kroll reported that the plans are set for the 2021 fireworks. The fireworks will be on Saturday, July 3rd at 10:15 pm.

Boat Parade

Paula Bruinslot reported that the planning for the parade this year is in good shape. The theme this year is patriotic or any holiday. Paula asks that parade participants let her know the number of children who will be in the boat parade so that goodie bags can be prepared ahead of time. Of course, last minute additions are always welcome. It was also requested that no water balloons be thrown during the parade to help keep the lake clean.

YMCA/Association 2021 Picnic

The picnic will be held on August 7th from 4 to 7 PM, with food at 6 PM. This year a ski show will be performed by the Grand City Show Skiers at 3 PM in front of the Y Camp. Last year the performance had to be cancelled due to the Covid situation.

Fish Program

Jordan is our Fish Program Chairman. Contact him with catch results for the fishing contest.

Newsletter

Articles, pictures and family history stories are always encouraged for the newsletter. Please send your contributions to the Lake Association website email.

Milfoil Update/Weed Control

Tony Groves is our Weed Control Chairman. Weed control treatments and funding continue and are providing good results. Currently, only 3 acres in various parts of the lake, are being treated.

Old Business

Courtesy for fellow boaters and being a good neighbor was encouraged. This year the water level of the lake is low. Boaters are asked to be respectful of their neighbors. Copies of the Boater Safety Poster are still available.

New Business

Changes are needed to the Barlow Lake website programming. Options for the update were discussed including a quote for \$2400 from the original website developer.

Ryan Asbury and Paula Bruinslot created a Barlow Lake calendar and sold 100 copies late in 2020. Profits in the amount of \$731.49 were donated to the Lake Association by Ryan. Plans are in the works for calendar sales this year with pictures of cottages from long ago and a short write up about the history of the cottage.

Officer elections will be held in August with all four positions open.

Member Comments

The condition of the concrete bridge at the south end of the lake was discussed.

Swim rafts and their location and distance from the shoreline was discussed at length with several homeowners willing to study the issue further.

Other comments included the need for accurate contact information in the Directory.

Following the group discussion, the meeting was closed at 10:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Cunningham