

Brantingham Community Association Annual Dinner Meeting – July 30, 2016

Karen Murphy gave a presentation on Invasive species that are on the priority list for the Adirondack Park and some prevention methods to consider. Membership was told that the board had decided to place a motion-activated game camera at the boat launch to survey number of boats and establish peak launching times. This information will be instrumental in determining appropriate preventative actions. Please see the slide document at the end of the minutes.

A number of statements and questions were presented at the end of the presentation:

- Maureen Mooney Lewis, stated that she lives in Cazenovia, NY. She stated that Cazenovia is a beautiful community with beautiful homes. She informed the membership that Cazenovia Lake became infected by Eurasian Watermilfoil in the 1980's. RENIVATE, an herbicide, was used and it was not effective. Equipment is used to harvest the weeds 4 times a week and have spent millions of dollars. "If you ask people in Cazenovia if they would do things differently if they had the chance, they would say YES."
- Camera is a good idea
- Laminated information sheets should be given to landlords to post in the camp.
- Would support boat launch stewards and key times and days
- A systemic preventative plan is a good idea; it would be sad to have to back into a plan after infection.
- Judy Wilson reports that Dave Rider had created a document in the past.
- A member suggested a line be added to the membership form for members to donate money specifically toward prevention actions.
- Line to add on the membership form for people to donate towards cost of prevention programs

President Phillip Stark stated that the presentation was primarily meant to "get a feel" for membership support on different preventative programs.

- A member asked what kind of re-occurring costs would be related to having a portable boat washing station recommended by the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program.
- Phillip Stark stated that costs would be related to maintenance of the equipment and fuel
- A member stated many kayaks are not placed in the water from the boat launch.
- Gary White stated that placing a boat washing station in town would mean anyone heading to the lake would pass the station
- Phillip Stark states that education is key and we will make publications available at public locations
- Phillip Stark states to questions about creating laws, that we are not an authority or a governing body. Any laws would need to come from local government
- Kathy Tedfordstates she is from Connecticut wonders if New York allows organization to create local governing bodies for specific purposes.
- Phillip Stark states he will look into it.
- A member asks if the lake is privately owned.
- Phillip Stark reports that the boat launch is owned by the Town of Greig. The lake is not privately owned.
- A member asked if we could purchase the boat launch for the town.

SECRETARY REPORT: Members present were given a copy of the previous dinner meeting minutes from July 29, 2015 for review. Gary White motioned that the minutes be approved as presented. Judy Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was so approved by a voice vote.

TREASURER REPORT: Members were given a full page treasurer report with a 2015 – 2016 comparison. Gail Roes presented the report line by line to the members. The report will be posted on the BCA website. Mr. Al Predmore questioned the cost listed for the ALAP Water testing at \$750. Mr. Predmore stated that the CSLAP training provided 8 tests each year and the ALAP only offers 3 tests each year. Mr. Predmore questioned why ALAP costs more than CSLAP.

Gail Roes reported that the \$750 reflected charges for 2015 and a pre-payment for 2016 testing.

Gail Roes reports that the BCA is down \$642 in membership dues for this time of year.

David Rider motioned to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. Linda Abbey seconded the motion. The motion was so approved by a voice vote.

ELECTIONS: Phillip Stark states that he was appointed earlier this year as President. Therefore, the President position, the Treasurer's position and all even-numbered area directors are up for re-election for a 2-year term.

Susan Bailey motioned that all positions be re-elected for a 2-year term. Ellen Lorenzini seconded the motion. The motion was so approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Phillip Stark requests any volunteers or nominations for the Vice President position which has been open for several years.

Sue Lorenzini volunteered herself for the Vice President position. Phillip Stark motioned that Sue Lorenzini be elected as Vice President, Judy Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was so approved by a unanimous voice vote.

BUOYS: Phillip Stark informed the membership that the BCA board met this morning and voted to purchase 2 new shallow buoy marker and smaller buoys to mark the other buoys in the off-season. Mr. Stark explained that the new buoys, which will probably be red, are lighter, more manageable, cheaper and have a longer life expectancy. The turn-around time for purchase is quick and will allow us to install sooner.

SPRAYING: Phillip Stark reports we have a contract this year with Duflo Chemical Spray for 5 sprays with an option for 6 sprays. So far we have had 3 sprays. Mr. Stark reports he will continue to monitor and will spray again as needed.

President Stark reports that with the membership approval he will pursue another contract for the 2017 season with Duflo Chemical Spray for 5 sprays with an option for 6 and will try to negotiate moving up the first spray to Mid-May. Mr. Stark states there are specific weather conditions that are required to spray which affects when the company can spray.

ADJOURNMENT: Phillip Stark thanks all members, area directors, committee chairpersons for making the BCA possible.

Meeting adjourned at 9:31pm by President Phillip Stark

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Murphy
BCA Secretary

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