

## **Brantingham Community Association – D.O. Meeting June 24, 2017**

Members Present: Gail Roes, Phil Stark, Sue Lorenzini, Roger Abbey, Karl Kieffer, Pat Kieffer, Marie Duink, Ned Wilson, Mary Lynn Schmandt, Randy Anderson, Karin Hennigan, Kent Martin

The BCA meeting was called to order by President Phil Stark at 10:37AM

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A full page summary of accounts was presented to members. Gail Roes, BCA Treasurer, reviewed significant items-purchased three new buoys, one spraying, liability insurance.

### **BOAT WASHING STATION**

Marie Duink, who was presenting on behalf of committee members Carol Kunkel and Gary White, reported that Greig Township Supervisor Marilyn Patterson recently informed the committee that the town was no longer interested in funding the hiring of an employee to work the station on the grounds that it would be a liability. Marie stated that the news was unexpected and very disappointing given the work that has been done so far. She felt that residents should put some pressure on the Greig Township supervisors.

The members present felt that the preventive nature of this project would be a benefit for the township as invasive species could have a negative impact on property value. Marie felt that a presentation should be made to the Greig board so that they understand what the BCA is trying to achieve.

Marie asked Lake of the Pines representative Bruce Buckingham, who is also a member of the snowmobile club, if he could provide contact information for the club's officers so that an inquiry could be made about placing the station on their property.

Mr. Buckingham asked if the DEC would be able to help with funding. He noted that they are very concerned with the environment and that it is certainly an environmental issue.

Gail Roes said that given the news about the town, we may need to think about members volunteering to run the station in order to get the project off the ground. She said that until we get a program up and running, we are not eligible for a grant.

Kent Martin informed the group that you can buy your own liability insurance policy, such as vendor insurance, to cover people even if it is on another property, such as the snowmobile club.

President Stark said that the BCA has some options to look at as we move forward with trying to put together a working plan for the station. He also stated that while the township supervisors should be motivated to move on projects such as this, there has not been much indication that they are willing. He said that while many community members pay taxes, they are not registered to vote in Greig so those elected locally don't have as much to lose (votes) for their inaction.

### **SHERIFF'S REPORT**

President Stark presented a report from the Deputy Sheriff who was unable to attend the meeting. He noted that Deputy Leviker made a request to have a tag placed on all buoys on the

lake that will state where the buoy is to be placed in case it is moved or detaches from its anchor.

Kent Martin said that he will be placing such a tag on buoys moving forward and that he will also be placing a sign on them informing boaters to not tie up to the buoys, which has been a reoccurring problem on the lake.

Deputy Leviker also wanted the group to know that items in the lake such as abandoned paddle boats or docks are a threat to boaters and should be removed. He said that any resident that finds such an item can contact him for removal if possible. President Stark stated that he will continue to have conversations with Deputy Leviker regarding long term solutions to the removal of such items.

Sue Lorenzini asked if the BCA had stickers that property owners could put on their docks, boats and accessories so that if they float out into the lake they can easily be returned. Gail Roes said there were some in the past and that she will look into it.

#### **BCA TABLE AT THE COUNTRY FAIRE**

Gail Roes stated that the BCA will have a membership table at the faire in Brantingham and that members have volunteered to staff the table for the full day.

#### **BOAT PARADE**

Gail Roes asked the group if anyone would be willing to lead the July 1st boat parade on the lake. Karl and Pat Kieffer graciously volunteered. The parade will be held on July 1st at 5PM.

#### **MEETING TIMES**

President Stark stated that the BCA annual dinner meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 29th at the Brantingham Golf Course at 6pm. Gail Roes stated that she will not be able to attend the meeting and needed a board member to present her financial report to the membership. President Stark said that he will do so. Depending on how things progress with the boat washing station, a meeting may be called in early August.

Phillip Stark adjourned the meeting at 11:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Philip Stark, BCA President