

Big Sandy Lake Association Annual Meeting

Big Sandy Lodge & Resort – 6/11/2016

The meeting was called to order by Bruce Johnson, BSLA Board President, at 11:05am.

Board Members Present: Bruce Johnson, John Sturner, Mickey Utech, Jim Carlson, Jeff Backowski, Russ Thompson, Jack Johnson, John Pilney, Dick Beatty, Kathy Beatty, Mark Johnson.

Liaisons Present: Bob Greifzu, Bill Reed, Jim Krezowski.

- A. Welcome and greeting by Bruce Johnson, BSLA Board President.
- B. Approval of Minutes of 2015 Annual Meeting.
- C. Approval of Treasurer's Report for June 2016.
- D. Bruce introduced current board members, both present and absent.
- E. Bruce acknowledged retiring members Mark Johnson and Andy Streeter and thanked them for their years of service to the association.
- F. Election of Board Members
 - a. John Sturner, Board Vice President, described the process for election of new members and explained that there were four candidates for five open positions.
 - b. John asked the incumbents running for re-election, Jim Carlson and Mickey Utech, and the nominated candidates, Micki Berg and Christopher Krolak, to introduce themselves.
 - c. John asked for nominations from the floor and there were none.
 - d. John recommended accepting the slate of all four nominees on a voice vote.
 - e. The voice vote passed unanimously.
- G. John Pilney, Board Member, defined some of the potential water quality problems associated with nickel/copper mining and summarized the results of a June 10 meeting held at the Rio Tinto mining office in Tamarack; Rio Tinto agreed to meet the tighter standards for testing for sulfides and work with the Aitkin County water sampling program.
- H. Brian Napstad, Aitkin County Commissioner for the southern half of Big Sandy and informally representing the northern half of the lake as well, described his role at both the local and state level on boards and committees dealing with water quality and environmental issues.
- I. Jim Carlson, Board Member, reported that the annual fundraiser for the McGregor Lakes Area Foundation will be held this year at the home of Board Members Dick and Kathy Beatty on August 27.
- J. Bruce Johnson led the drawings for door prizes including the final drawing for the Paradise Pad water mat which was won by Karen Adelman.
- K. The meeting was adjourned at 12:10pm, followed by a buffet lunch of burgers, brats, baked beans, potato salad, chips and beverages.