

BIG SUGAR BUSH LAKE ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting June-4-2024

Members present: Claudine Anderson, Ken Bruss, Dave Braaten, Mindi Jenson, Nick Moszer, George Wallman.

Main Agenda: Discuss agenda for full association meeting on 8-June.

- Proposed agenda
 - Welcome
 - Intros (many board members mentioned they enjoy when we do this as a group, a lot of new faces)
 - Treasurer report (Claudine)
 - Township update (Dave)
 - Water Quality Report
 - Sugar Shack
 - Will request feedback on the items for sale, see if anyone wants to make new orders
 - Last year's items sold quite well.
 - Discuss date for boat parade. Proposal is the 6th and budget \$500. Will ask for feedback and volunteers to help hand out prizes and items for shore viewers.
 - Q & A
 - Potentially bring up bears and garbage etiquette. Availability of metal garbage cages from Wabun Steel (recommended by White Earth Sanitation).

Other Items:

- John Swires discussed the community center being proposed north of Strawberry Lake store.
 - Would be available for wedding receptions, family reunions, etc. Sports space, meeting rooms.
 - The board doesn't believe it appropriate to endorse the endeavor but will definitely help get information on it out to the members.
 - It was noted the township hall where our association meetings are held is available for events. Usually for a nominal fee. Just need to contact a township board member.
 - Side note: the township has an income stream from the recycling center on 34.
- 2023 minutes not yet on website, docs are in google drive but in word format.

- Nick to get them posted by the meeting on Saturday. Also convert those to PDF as they are approved.
- Discussion around if the board should help negotiate some kind of contract with Dan Mulari to for dock service to try and keep the number of services entering the lake to a minimum. Mostly for invasive species concerns. It was stated he will most likely hand the majority of his business to one of his children but would most likely retain Big Sugar Bush.
- Discussion around spraying Purple loosestrife around the lake, utilizing funds from the association to do so. Some concerns about how this was done on private land before and there was potentially poor communication around it. Dave will get more info on how this could potentially be done with drones and what chemicals would be used.