**Board Meeting - Minutes**

**June 29, 2025**

1. Call to order – 10:15 A
2. Roll call of Board
   1. James Cowell
   2. Mike Bemis
   3. Barb Duval
   4. Kristin Wengren
   5. Laura Kuhta – Not Present
   6. Luke Bauss – Not Present
   7. Tony Del Duco
   8. Bill Lauinger
   9. John Hagar – Not Present
3. Approval of Minutes – Membership meeting 5/17/25 – Mike B Motioned, Kristin W 2nd - Approved by vote
4. Reports
   1. President – James Cowell – Goal for term is to modernize BELPOA utilizing technology and improve communication with our members
   2. Vice President – Mike Bemis – No Report
   3. Treasurer – Barb Duval - $12,096 cash on hand, approximately $7000 in investment accounts. James C motioned to approve, Bill L 2nd, Approved by vote
5. Standing Committees
   1. Water Quality – Liinda Smith – Lengthy description of what she hopes to achieve. Briefly discussed new testing results from Aquaweed. Was explained how Committees work in BELPOA (as prescribed by the Bylaws). Kelly B joined committee. Is going to approach the anonymous people who are “afraid” of BELPOA about participating in the committee. Both Linda and Tony have volunteered to chek on and clean out the weir to help manage lake levels.
   2. Media – James Cowell
      1. Updates being made to website to host document repository - James described what is being updated with regards to the website.
      2. Need to update Security Certificate on website – Cost is $50. Mike B motioned to approve expenditure, Bill L 2nd, Approved by vote
6. Old Business
   1. Swag? We previously discussed floating key chains and/or bottle openers. James to research options for BELPOA to hand out to its members. Suggested a max $300 budget. Bill motioned to approve expenditure, multiple 2nds, approved by vote.
   2. 50/50 Raffle – Tony volunteered to oversee this activity and have tickets printed. James motioned to approve $250 budget, Bill L 2nd, approved expenditure by vote. Confirmed that raffle will be held at Boat Bar on Labor Day weekend.
7. New Business
   1. Fourth of July parade details, judges, and prizes
      1. Parade to kick off at the EIPA Beach at 12 noon and conclude by 1pm at EIPA beach. Mike B to hand out numbers for judges.
      2. Judges are Laura K, Barb D, Bill L, Kelly B, and Jennifer C. James to collect votes from judges upon completion of parade.
      3. Prizes: 1st $35 gift card, 2nd $25 gift card, 3rd $15 gift card, Most Patriotic $25 Gift Card – Barb to get gift cards. James spoke to John who committed Boat Bar to match BELPOA Expense for gift cards. Boat Bar to donate $10 and BELPOA to donate $10. Every Boat Parade Boat will receive a $20 gift card for participating.
   2. Event planning and calendar
      1. Vancian Night – August 23rd
      2. EIPA Movie Night – August 16th – Backup night August 23rd
      3. Chili Cookoff – January 24th – Mike B to organize.
   3. Newsletter
      1. Discuss Paper or Electronic Delivery
      2. Assignment of Tasks
         1. 50/50 – Tony D
         2. Chili Cookoff – Mike B
   4. Open discussion
      1. BELPOA to donate $500 towards fireworks. James motioned, Mike B 2nd, approved by unanimous vote
      2. BELPOA to donate $300 to EIPA for Kids Day. Bill motioned, multiple 2nds, approved by unanimous vote
      3. Barb D motioned to approve $70 for mailbox expense, $200 for tax expense, payment of Board Insurance, and State Registration of $20. James 2nd, all expenses approved by unanimous vote
      4. Mike B motioned for budget of $350 for BELPOA themed drink coozies for Boat Parade. James 2nd. Approve my unanimous vote
      5. James suggested tabling budget and dues increase discussions until September BELPOA meeting so we have more data to better understand our expenses through the active summer season.
8. Adjournment – 11:50 A