

A message from the new Buffalo Lake District chairperson Joe Dion

### Annual Meeting Info

I would like to thank all the district members who took the time and interest to be involved with the district and the annual meeting. It was nice to see the number of attendees.

Here is a synopsis of the proceedings. The complete minutes of the meeting will be made available on the website, in draft form, when available.

One important part of the meeting is the election of two board members. This year two new board members were elected. Al Rosenthal and Joe Dion were elected to the board with the two highest vote counts. Immediately after the meeting, the members met and the officer positions were filled. Joe Dion will serve as Chairperson, Al Rosenthal will serve as Secretary, and Larry Haygood will continue as Treasurer.

A motion to award a donation to the Endeavor Fire Department for a dry rescue suit was approved for \$750.00. In addition, Don and Ro Klecz announced that they would donate the funds for a second suit.

Pat Kilbey, Marquette County Conservationist gave a presentation on the healthy lake grants available to homeowners of the district. There are 5 types of grants available. If you have interest in any of these grants, contact Pat at 608-296-2815 or BLD member Karyn at 608-548-6174.

The annual budget meeting was held with information presented and all questions answered. Immediately following budget meeting, it was approved as presented by members unanimously.

Discussion was held on taking responsibility of Dredge Bank Island. Information was discussed and after all discussion, a vote not to take responsibility for the island was approved unanimously.

A donation of \$500.00 was discussed for the Golden Sands organization. A vote was approved unanimously for the donation.

Committee reports were given.

The date of October 10, 2020 was established for the next annual meeting.

The next regular district board meeting is scheduled for February 8 , 2020. All Lake District members are encouraged to attend.

I would like to thank Ro for her dedication, great efforts, all the time she has given to the district during her time on the board.

Lastly, I would like to introduce myself to the district. I am a resident of the City of Montello. I would like to continue the progress the district has made. Priorities are: good communications with the

district members, to run an effective and efficient harvesting operation, to continue and encourage more volunteer efforts, and promote a good healthy lake.

Joe Dion