

Board of Directors Special Meeting #1 17 April 2020 Called to order approximately 7:00 pm

*****Coronavirus Covid19 pandemic is occurring. Governor's numerous executive orders effects social life including physical distancing. *****

Meeting conducted over ZOOM Video and Audio Meeting program.

Participants:

Mark Nasuti, President	Vicki Fowler
Matt Robilotta	Jack Betterly
Dave Douttiel	Karen Clickner Douttiel, secretary
Bill Kullman	Janice Ann Kullman
Rovie Simons	Laura D' Agostino
Rachel Cahill	

Meeting was called to order by President, Mark Nasuti. Greetings were exchanged so those without video could identify voices. Mark referenced an email which presented the idea that the Regatta cannot be held in a safe manner. A reminder was stated that the Bowman Lake Association has a stated purpose as a social organization and to monitor water quality.

Janice Ann, as she and Bill traditionally host the Regatta, does not want to host this year on July 25 based upon safety concerns re Covid 19. She wants members who travel long distances to be able to plan and not depend upon the Regatta being on July 25. Janice Ann proposes postponing until Labor Day and, if NYS continues with physical distancing, cancel the Regatta.

Jack suggested an alternative: on July 25 paddle around the lake and greet neighbors who are on docks similar to the poker run of 2019, thereby respecting physical distances while socializing.

Karen suggested having a paddle greeting event on both July 25 & Labor Day.

Rovie recommended discussion at the next BLA meeting. Rachel opined that April is too early to make a decision but supports alternative ideas. Alternative ideas discussed including some computer games, etc., for children.

2 BLA meetings scheduled: June 20 & July 26. Mark recommends video conferences. Laura will help with set-up webinar. Jack suggested some earlier meetings. Rachel is concerned with inability of elders being able to participate and encourages emails. Rovie stressed transparency.

Rachel reminded that regatta was cancelled only during World War II and that this is tragic to be considering canceling regatta.

Janice Ann joked that this is not a ruse to keep the Blake Cup an additional year!!!

Planning for the regatta to be conducted in a different format was discussed, but nobody could think of a format that would be safe. Agreement by the Board to not hold the Regatta in July; tentative rescheduling to Labor Day weekend. The Board also agreed to meet on or about June 1 to revisit these issues in light of the situation @ that time. Mark will draft an email to this effect.

Meeting adjourned about 7:35 pm.

Minutes approved by the Board of Directors, with Karen and Dave Douthiel dissenting.