Bantam Lake Protective Association Meeting Minutes April 15th, 2021

I. Call to Order – 7pm Connie Trolle

II. **Members present via Zoom-**Connie Trolle, Matt Laurentano, Jamie Fischer, Kris Truta, Anne Murdica, Rob Sherry, Devon O'Neill, Caitlin Pattison, Peter Longo

III. Approval of Minutes from March

IV. Long Term Care - Alum treatment would be very helpful however will likely cost \$1.5 million dollars. BL may still need occasional copper sulfate treatments as well. Data is still being analyzed to determine if the Alum treatment will last 10-12 years, it works by blocking the internal loading of nutrients. BLPA received a grant for \$17,000 to pay for the analysis of this data. The board needs to consider scenarios where only partial funds are raised and if partial treatment in an option. The data analysis is only valid for 3 years. A qualified person will need to oversea the alum implementation that may last through 2 seasons. Are we eligible for a loan? A lake in Maine has been very successful with alum treatment, we can possibly get a phone conference with them. The earliest alum treatment would be 2022-2023 as peritting will be stringent. Can we request funds from the state? Endowments from the private schools? Should we consider giving a presentation to community leaders? We need to establish a timeline for decision making and fundraising. If we don't treat with alum we can likely expect seasons or portions of seasons where BL is unusable. We are unaware of cheaper options.

V. Treasurer's Report

No update

VI. **Membership update-** Membership is low but the brochures just went out

VII. Give Local- Send out emails through constant contact, promote on social media.

- VIII. **"Fish on for Thomas"** John Mckenna will take pictures at the next meeting. Call our insurance people regarding liability.
- VIII. 5K. Could be virtual or held in September
- IX. Lake Monitoring Program Jamie is launching a lake monitoring program educating young student about BL
- X Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm