Bella Vista POA Lakes JAC
August 2023
Country Club Board Room
2:00 pm

Committee Members: Michael Coughlin, Scott Sborov, Carol Phillips, Ross Gerner, Kelly Austin, Scott Hawes, Rob Montgomery, Kevin Attleson and Matt Champagne.

POA Board Liaisons: Jerre Barron, Jr., Jeff Hendren and Sandy Fosdick.

Chairman Champagne called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

There were no additions to the agenda.

Previous meeting minutes were approved.

Rick Echols reminded members of the Lake Windsor drawdown beginning on October 16, 2023 and ending February 19, 2024. POA Lake patrol for July reported over 6,000 contacts. Grounds maintenance is removing recently downed trees or sinking these trees in lakes to create fish habitat. Four new man-made fish habitat areas have been installed on Lake Ann. POA dock repair continues.
The POA Lakes Ecology and Fisheries Lab and aquaculture ponds continue to be an effective method of stocking our lakes with fish. Rick also reported meeting with the Bella Vista Fly Tyers Club concerning projects of which the fly tyers may be interested in assisting with funding.

Chris Fuller, POA Lake Ecology and Water Quality Manager presented detailed information on POA lakes largemouth bass electrofishing samples from the spring of 2023. All data and graphs reflect a three year average. This presentation can be found on the Bella Vista POA YouTube channel as well as the POA website.

Meeting adjourned at 2:53 pm.

Next meeting is September 13, 2023.