

# BLPOA COMMUNIQUE #5 -2022

18 JULY 2022

We trust everyone is taking advantage of our beautiful lake  
and this fantastic July weather



## BLPOA Membership Campaign 2022-2023

The Bass Lake Property Owners Association (BLPOA) is a non-profit volunteer organization of seasonal and permanent residents, and holiday lake users interested in promoting and protecting the natural environment of Bass Lake. The Association a strong voice to its members in regional bodies governing the lake and participates with other lake associations in projects and alliances. We serve over 180 waterfront properties and are administered by a volunteer board of directors elected by the membership at large at our annual general meeting. The BLPOA membership season runs from 01 Sept to 31 Aug, and we are now open for renewals/registrations for the coming year 2022-23. Our annual property/family membership fee is \$25.

Membership Forms: Existing members DO NOT need to submit a new membership form unless their information has changed. New members should download and complete a membership form [Click Here](#) and submit it to our Membership Coordinator Lorayne Bradshaw at [lorayne.bradshaw@sympatico.ca](mailto:lorayne.bradshaw@sympatico.ca).

The \$25.00 annual fee for 2022-2023 can be submitted by one of the following means:

1. By etransfer - [Treasurer@rideaubasslake.com](mailto:Treasurer@rideaubasslake.com) [This goes directly to the BLPOA's bank account which has autodeposit. Please provide your name, road number, and property number to identify your transfer.]
2. By cheque or cash hand delivered to an Association Director or your Road Representative.

It can also be mailed to:

Bass Lake Property Owners Association,  
Attention: Lorayne Bradshaw/Membership  
42 Berry Park Lane  
Lombardy, Ontario  
K0G 1L0 ( 613 284-1796)



# BLPOA – Governance Recommendations

## Review and Updating BLPOA Constitution Bylaw #1

Our Bylaw #1 (Constitution) has been reviewed and a set of revisions were agreed upon at the last two Board meetings. A final copy of the proposed amendments will be forwarded for membership review 30 days prior to our AGM (scheduled for 27 August) at which final approval will be sought.

## Proposed Board Structure Going Forward

Considerable study has been conducted into the pros and cons of a new proposed Governance structure for our association board as we transition from a capital project mandate to a lake health mandate. This new structure will be presented to our membership at this year’s AGM. Since many Directors will be competing a four-year term your Board is actively seeking new volunteers willing to serve for at least a one-year term.

### Proposed BLPOA Board Governance 2022-2023

<b>President</b>	Association Governance Government Liaison
<b>Vice President</b>	Assist President with Duties TBD
<b>Treasurer</b>	Finance Management/TD Banking
<b>Secretary</b>	Secretary/Governance Administration
<b>Director Lake Health</b>	Chair Water Quality Committee Monitor Water Levels
<b>Director Communications</b>	Communiques; Newsletters; Website Liaison - 13 Road Reps
<b>Director Membership</b>	Membership Campaign & Records
<b>Director At-Large</b>	Community Outreach & Representation Voting Decisions
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## Save the Date

### Bass Lake Property Owners Association



*Saturday, 27 August 2022, 10 AM*  
*South Elmsley Complex - Hwy 15*



**OUR LAKE NEEDS YOU**

For the past four years, the work of the BLPOA has been carried out by a lake-wide representative group of hardworking volunteers primarily focusing on the work of the Board, liaising with the Township; Conservation Authority; provincial ministries and collaborating with other lake associations within our Rideau Lakes watershed. After having successfully achieved our primary mandate of constructing a new berm/dam in our lake's outlet that will assist in maintaining water levels for generations to come..... we have been transitioning to focus much more on lake health and water quality objectives.

Community-based volunteers are the backbone of any non-profit organization. Our young lake association is no different. We are seeking new association volunteers to give some folks a well deserved break and to help with various lake initiatives and activities.

If you are interested and motivated in helping in any capacity and would like to share your knowledge or talents, we would love to hear about it. We are in great need of a few new Board Directors or perhaps you wish to serve as a volunteer, or committee member in support of our lake health programs and initiatives.

Please reach out to the President – Bill St Jean and/or send an email to: [President@rideaubasslake.com](mailto:President@rideaubasslake.com) or reply to this Communique Email address. and we will contact to chat and answer any questions you might have.

**Prepared By: BLPOA Board of Directors**