

Beaver Lake November 2022 News

Winter Security Report

Winter 2022 is here. Please keep yourself safe. Simple Reminders: Parking is prohibited on the road. Parking is allowed on the road right-of-way, but not over 24 hours and not when there is a removable amount of snow. During a snow event, vehicles on the road or right-of-way are subject to being fined and/or towed. Parking is allowed on board approved designated parking areas, but vehicles must remain twelve inches off the road. Snowplows must maintain a good speed in order to move the snow effectively, so a heavy snow could damage your vehicle. Beaver Lake is not responsible for damage.

Low temperatures bring ice on the lake. Please remember that any time you go onto the ice, you enter at your own risk. Check the ice for thickness before planning any activities. Even so, it is a good idea to have a safety line as well as a personal flotation device attached to you just in case, so never go out on the ice alone.

The 2023 renewal for golf, utility, and all-terrain vehicle stickers will begin January 3, 2023. If you already had your vehicle inspected and received a previous sticker, then you will not need to have it inspected again. Just mail a copy of your current insurance card for the golf, utility, or all-terrain vehicle to be renewed, along with \$50, to the BLA Office at 9410 Clubhouse Circle, Plattsmouth, NE 68048. A new sticker will be mailed back to you. Then, please make sure your new 2023 sticker is affixed to the license plate, or it will not be valid. If you have a new golf, utility, or all-terrain vehicle that hasn't been stickered before, then you need to call 402-235-2243 and make an appointment for an inspection.

Please keep an eye on your animals if you are letting them out and make sure they stay on your property. The Beaver Lake Association does not have a facility to house animals during extreme cold weather. Therefore, it's a good chance that, if they are picked up, they will be taken directly to the Nebraska Humane Society in Omaha. This is an unneeded expense for everyone.

Boat stickers need to be renewed by May 1, 2023 as well. Primary vessel stickers will remain \$50 and secondary stickers will remain \$50 for the 2023 season. Make sure you have your lot numbers and state stickers in place, your registration, and your vessel with you when you bring it in to sticker. The primary lot owner/lessee must be the only name on the registration and he/she must be present to sticker. Bills of sale from a dealership are accepted but require a \$250 deposit to ensure registration. Handwritten bills of sale need Board approval. Aquatic Invasive Species stickers are now mandatory for vessels registered out of state. The AIS sticker must be on the vessel at the time of stickering. They can be obtained through Nebraska Game & Parks. (<http://outdoornebraska.gov/boating/>) The number of wake surfing stickers allowed is now capped at 35. If you did not have a surf sticker in 2022, you will not receive one for 2023 until someone drops off the list of 35. Your name can be placed on the existing waiting list.

One last thing – Please keep your vehicles locked and your valuables out of sight. Most thefts that occur in this area are due to entry by way of unlocked vehicles. Also, please keep your garage doors closed at night. Keeping as much as you can out of sight helps deter criminal activity.

Numbers to remember:

Non-emergency Sheriff's Office	402-296-9370
Emergency	911
Beaver Lake Security Office	402-235-2243
Maintenance Emergency #	402-235-2242

Thank you and be safe!
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Beaver Lake Ladies Auxiliary News

Hello again to the Beaver Lake Families! We have had a busy fall with our Craft Fair and the Halloween Trunk and Treat. Hopefully many of you got to enjoy these activities. Our next meeting is Monday November 7th at 1 pm at the Clubhouse. We are having a soup lunch, followed by a short business meeting, and then making some Christmas Ornaments for the Clubhouse Tree. Ladies, feel free to come and join us! We are also planning some local fall travel trips to enjoy the area events. More on that at our November meeting. Below, you will find the reservation form for this year's annual Holiday Dinner Party! Reservations are due by Friday November 25th so please get yours in early!

-- Starre Haney, President of the Auxiliary



Beaver Lake Annual Holiday Dinner Party – Dec 2, 2022

Open to all Beaver Lake Residents

Dinner Menu:

- Salad and Dinner Roll
- Roast Beef and Chicken Cordon Bleu
 - Roasted Red Garlic Potatoes
 - Green Beans with Bacon
 - Glazed mini-Carrots
 - Assorted Desserts

Music provided by DJ Matt Larson

Cost: \$ 28.00 per person

Happy Hour 6:30 pm

Dinner 7:00 PM

Sponsored by the Beaver Lake Ladies Auxiliary

This year's theme is Old World Holidays. Adults only. There will be appetizers, coffee, water, and punch provided. BYOB for alcohol. Wine glasses provided. A raffle will be available as well.

Check or Cash Only

Name _____ Lot Number _____

Email _____ Phone Number _____

Number of people _____ Total enclosed: _____

Names of people coming _____

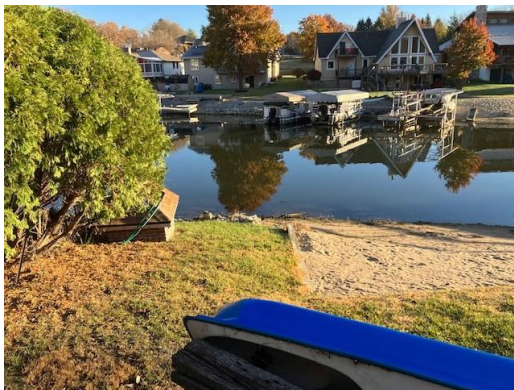
Mail or Deliver to Starre Haney: 1100 Brock Lane, Plattsmouth, NE 68048. Must be received by Friday November 25. There will be no refunds after November 26. Questions- email starreann@gmail.com We look forward to enjoying time together!

Sewer Line Reroute

By Jim Wieringa and the Infrastructure Committee

The Infrastructure Committee has been involved with the five-year capital projects list. This list covers known infrastructure upgrades needed or wanted within the next five years, focusing on what's needed.

This year, one proposed project is rerouting the six-inch force main pipe from #9 lift station, which is located at Beaver Lake Boulevard and Monroe Road.



Why do we recommend a rerouting? Currently, sewage flow leaves lift station #9 and is routed under the west cove, to a manhole located on Otter Court. Should pipe failure occur, there is the complication of contamination of the lake along with expensive emergency repairs.

Our proposed new six-inch pipe will be routed along Beaver Lake Boulevard west to an existing eight-inch pipe near Otter Court. Sewage would then flow into lift station #10.

Placing the new pipe along the road instead of under the lake would make repairs easier to accomplish and eliminate the certainty of lake contamination in case of a pipe failure in its current location.

In the past, a similar situation occurred in another cove where the plastic pipe cracked due to a shift in the soil, allowing sewage into the cove. Although the topography of this project's area differs from that older one, we already know how problematic a break could be. Our proposed reroute project would forestall such recurrence of a serious circumstance and do so at a time when it is convenient for us to make the change – not under emergency conditions.

Pipe failures cannot be entirely prevented because forces of nature outpace our ability to predict them. In the case of this particular piece of pipeline, our committee considers it a priority to relocate it at a time of our choosing rather than letting an act of nature dictate extreme measures at a potentially very inopportune time.



Fishing Club News

The Beaver Lake Fishing club sponsored a Veterans and First Responder fishing “tournament” on July 9th, 2022. We had about 10 guests participate and fish with fishing club members in 6 different boats. Fun was had by all with the big fish of the day being a 38” blue catfish that weighted about 20lbs. It was caught and released by one of our veteran anglers. Thanks to Steve Wicht for organizing the event and hosting lunch.



About 70 people (members and families) turned out for the July 16th annual membership fish fry. We gorged on blue cat, paddlefish, crappie, walleye, and white bass fried up golden brown in an “industrial size” fryer and spices courtesy of Frisco Spices and Mike Pullen. Thank you, Mike. Members brought desserts, veggies, and the club provided french fries. No one left hungry!!

The annual Murray Fire Department fund raiser was a great success again this year. The fishing club voted to donate \$500 to the Fire Department this year. The treasurer delivered a check.



The fishing club purchased and installed a new picnic table in September. It is located near the boat ramp and courtesy dock for all of the community to enjoy. We will dedicate it with a memorial ceremony for former member Kirk Caven next spring.

It's been an amazing year for club memberships with 115 members as of October 1st. Creel surveys are coming in at a decent clip. Please consider sending in a survey when you fish. It helps the committee manage the fishery.

Creel surveys can be submitted here: <https://www.beaverlakene.org/fish-creel-survey/> . If you are interested in fishing, or just want to support the lake

and community, please consider joining. The Fishing club meetings are held Feb – Dec on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7 PM at the clubhouse.

Thank you to all the hard working and dedicated members of the Fishing Club and your contributions to our community in 2022.

Our last tournament of the year is a crappie tournament that is scheduled to be held on November 5th. Times to be set at the November meeting.

Fish stocking for 2022 has been completed.

Fall fishing has started to pick up again so get out there and wet a line.

- Jason Cockle

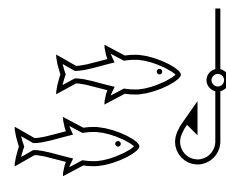
Please reach out to our officers with any questions:

Jason Cockle – VP

Russ Parmer – Secretary

Chuck Sweeney – Treasurer

Stacey Plevel – Social Media Coordinator





Winter Snow Removal Reminders

As winter approaches, there are a few things I would like to remind everyone about. Nobody likes to deal with removing pesky snow in the winter, but it must be done. As we accomplish the snow removal for the Association, we must get the snow as far off the road as possible, especially if there are continuing back-to-back snowfalls. Remember, that if you have a parking area near the road, please get your vehicle as far from the road as possible to avoid damage from flying snow, ice, rocks, etc. When the snow is blowing and it is dark out, it is hard for the drivers to see everything, but the job must be accomplished. As far as mailboxes around the lake, expect that there may be some damage to them. Many times, the boxes are broken due to heavy, wet snow or a good volume of snow hitting them. Please understand that when it is that cold out, plastic mailboxes don't stand up to the task. We also find that many of the mailboxes have rotten posts that break off. Per the Beaver Lake Handbook, if a mailbox is broken due to snow hitting it, the responsibility of repair lies with the property owner. If the BLA snowplow backs into or hits the box, the Association will repair it. If your mailbox has been knocked over, please contact us and I will review the case to see if it has been hit by a truck or the flying snow. Snow removal is a dangerous and exhausting task. Please be vigilant and get away from the street when you see or hear a snowplow approaching. This will keep you safe because that driver may not see you, depending on the conditions. Lastly, everyone knows how frustrating it is when the plow goes by and puts snow in your driveway. Please do not shovel or blow the snow back out into the road. Throw it or blow it off in the yard. We may come by 2 or 3 times depending on the longevity of the snowfall and it will wind up back in your driveway. We appreciate everyone's patience during these snowfall events. Be safe and have a great fall and winter.

Troy Weatherby, Managing Director

BLA Emergency Phone Number



The direct dial phone number is 402-235-2242. If you have a true maintenance emergency such as a water line break, fallen tree on a road or power line, sewer back up, see a lift station light flashing or some other emergency, please contact the maintenance personnel at this number. If there is no answer, please try the phone number again. **Please take the time as you read this article and write the phone # down where you can easily access it.** This is a direct line will allow you immediately access a person to help you with your emergency. Again, we ask that you only use it for a true maintenance emergency.

For any security issues where you need to speak with our security officer, please dial 402-235-2243 and leave a message if no one answers. They will return your call as soon as possible.

If you have a true security or health related emergency, please dial 911. The Cass County Sheriff's Department non-emergency phone # is 402-296-9370.

Thank you.

Troy Weatherby, Managing Director

From Your Friends at the BLA Office

BLA Calendar & Reservations

- 2023 Calendar reservations can be made for the **Clubhouse** now.
- 2023 **Pavilion** reservations can be made Tuesday, January 3, 2023.
- 2023 **Campground** reservations can be made beginning Monday, March 27, 2023. The BLA campground will open Mid-April to the beginning of May, depending upon the weather.

Call the BLA office and speak to Heather about your reservation!

New Property Owners

- Check out the Beaver Lake Website! There is a plethora of useful information. See below!
- You can also stop by the Beaver Lake Office for a Welcome Packet.
- We'd love to have you fill out a Membership Information Form if you haven't already!

BLA Website: www.beaverlakene.org

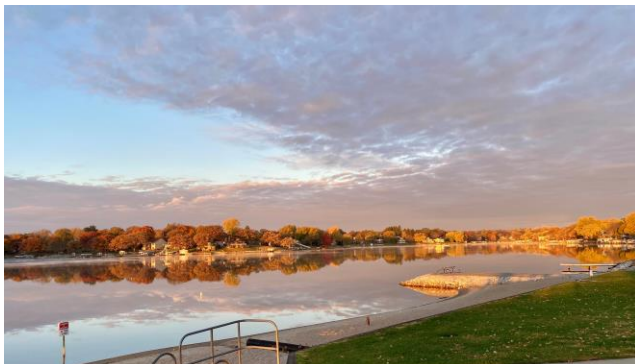
The BLA Website is your home for all official Beaver Lake News, Calendar info, Advertising, Handbook, Documents, Board & Committee minutes, and Information.



Make sure to check the Website regularly and see what you find!

The BLA Website has many features and uses. Did you know....

- The BLA Handbook, hours, forms, and FAQ's are under the **Information tab**.
- You can find the Board Meeting & Committee Minutes as well as DCF's and previous Newsletters in the Library by going to **About BLA > Document Library**.



- If you'd like info on any of our Clubs, you can go to **About BLA > BLA Clubs**.
- Check out local businesses who support BLA by advertising on our Website by going to **Community > Yellow Pages**.
- AND, you can pay your Beaver Lake bill online by clicking on [Pay Online](#) from the main menu!