

# Beaver Lake April 2025 News

## 2025 Lawn Watering Restrictions

Effective April 1, 2025, all Beaver Lake Properties are under lawn watering restrictions due to the lake level being down as we move into spring. Lawn watering restrictions are enacted by the Board of Directors when the lake level is down 12" or more. Currently we are 15" low. You can see the current lake level and temperature by going to the link on the front page of the [Beaver Lake website](#). The lawn watering restrictions work as follows. If your address ends in an even number, you may water your lawn on even numbered days of the month. If your address ends in an odd number, you may water on odd numbered days of the month. Please limit your watering timeframe to morning and evenings to avoid evaporation. These restrictions apply whether you pull water directly from the lake or use water from the distribution system. As conditions change, we will put updates on Website for your use. These water rationing guidelines are also on page 87 of the Beaver Lake Handbook. We ask that you respectfully follow these guidelines to ensure that all property owners have the chance to water vegetation as well as maintain the level of our drinking water source. If the regulations are violated, Beaver Lake personnel have the authority to issue a violation of the Handbook rules. Rule 401 of the liquidated damages schedule provides that a \$50 fine may be imposed for a violation of Emergency water regulations. Please set or control your lawn watering schedule effective immediately. We appreciate your cooperation on this matter.

Troy Weatherby  
Managing Director  
Beaver Lake Association

## BLA Lots for Sale



**Equestrian Lot E-6** is for sale. The asking price is \$200,000. The lot is 5+ acres and is located on Rock Bluff Road and 27th Avenue. A for sale sign is placed on the frontage for identification.

**Lot 1030** is also for sale. The address is 8893 Verdon Circle and it's a B lot. The asking price is \$40,000. Look for the BLA For Sale sign.



Contact the Beaver Lake Office for more info: 402-235-2241



## BLA Website Advertising

Now that the Beaver Lake Online News is our only source of official BLA News, we'd like to offer all area businesses a chance to advertise on the BLA Website.

Yellow Page ads can link directly to your company's website and are very inexpensive.

Rotating Banner ads are also a great option & show on every page of the BLA Website.

Check out the BLA Website at <https://www.beaverlakene.org>.

Contact Jill at the BLA office for more information: [jillp@beaverlakene.org](mailto:jillp@beaverlakene.org)

## Beaver Lake Nature & Garden Club

Spring is right around the corner. WOW!! This is the time of year that most gardeners begin to think about what they will be planting this year. Our initial focus is on cold weather crops, as they can take cold for short periods. I use a handy little chart created from various sources to guide my planting and thought you might benefit.

Vegetable	Planting Time	Short Term Temperature Tolerance as Low as (in degrees)
Peas	3/18 – 3/28	20
Spinach	3/18 – 4/8	15 - 20
Carrots	3/25 – 4/8	20
Broccoli	4/1 – 4/22	26 - 31
Cabbage	4/1 – 4/15	45
Cauliflower	4/1 – 4/22	26 - 31
Chives	4/1 – 4/8	Light frost
Kale	4/1 – 4/22	10*
Onion	4/1 – 4/10	20
Parsley	4/1 – 4/15	20
Kohlrabi	4/8 – 4/15	Light frost*
Lettuce	4/15 – 5/13	25
Beets	4/16 – 4/30	30

\* cold can enhance their flavor

Brussels Sprouts\* and Potatoes can also tolerate some cold. I've never been able to get Brussels to grow very large though. If you know a trick, would love to hear from you.

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Potatoes can tolerate 28-32 degrees. Listened to a podcast recently where they interviewed an expert from Wood Prairie Farms (they grow organic seed potatoes & other items). They suggest the Green Sprout method of starting potatoes:

Use seed potatoes about the size of an egg. Thirty days before the intended plant date (2 weeks before last frost date – April 30<sup>th</sup> here), put potatoes into a dark space that is 70-75 degrees until you can see a sprout. Then bring into the light at 50 – 55 degrees. This shaves 10-14 days off of the growth cycle and prevents elongation of the sprout. Plant when soil temp 4 inches deep at 7 am is 50 degrees. If you cut your potatoes, leave at least two eyes and let sit for 2-3 days before planting. Potatoes can be grown in the ground or in containers or bags. Growing potatoes in a bag would be a fun project for kids – can never start them too early 😊. As they grow, make sure potatoes are not exposed to the sun as that is what causes them to turn green. Keep them covered with dirt. Hope this was useful.

Warm weather crops, like peppers, should be planted after our last average frost date. Sources vary, but it's around the end of April.

For more helpful hints and to mingle with other gardeners and nature lovers, check out the Nature and Garden Club. Our calendar for this year is below:



- April 24** - NE Wildlife Rehab  
(BL Clubhouse 7:00pm)
- May 22** - Tree, Shrubs and More  
(field trip)
- June 12** - Garden Tour (field trip)

- July 24** - For The Wild Birds  
(possible field trip)
- Aug 28** - The Grass Pad (field trip)
- Sept 25** - TBD
- Oct 23** - Social  
(BLA Clubhouse @ 6:00pm)

For questions or more information, contact Janet Houston at [Janet.m.houston@gmail.com](mailto:Janet.m.houston@gmail.com).

Hope to see you soon - Jody Kriegler (jokriegler@gmail.com)

## Election Procedures

Please visit the Beaver Lake website  
[www.beaverlakene.org](http://www.beaverlakene.org)  
 to view the latest edition of  
 the Beaver Lake Handbook.  
 Election Procedures are in Section VII

## 2025 Board of Directors Election Notice

This serves as your public notice of these important election dates.  
Please keep these important dates in mind!

**Thursday, April 17, 2025                      7:30pm                      Board Meeting – BLA Clubhouse**

\* Board acceptance of candidates and Three-minute speeches by Board Candidates

**Friday, April 25, 2025**

\* Last day for members to register to vote electronically

**Friday, May 9, 2025                                      4:00pm                      BLA Office**

**Final date and time for BLA members to declare write-in candidacy for BLA Board of Directors**

**Sunday, May 18, 2025                                      3:00pm                      Annual Meeting – BLA Clubhouse**

\* Balloting closed at call to order of BLA Annual Meeting.

\* Election results announced prior to the close of the BLA Annual Meeting

*\*\*Please see the Beaver Lake Association Handbook on the website for complete Election Procedures\*\**



## Mowing Notice

### Attention Please!

This notice is regarding your lot at Beaver Lake. This is your one and only notice to mow and maintain your lot and road right-of-way during the 2025 mowing season. You **will not** be given notice each time your lot needs mowed. If the length of the grass, weeds, or any other growth reaches or exceeds 15" in length (as stated in the Beaver Lake Handbook,) it

will be mowed under the direction of Beaver Lake Association at a cost of \$125 per mowing of the lot or \$62.50 per mowing of the ditch and/or embankments. The cost of the mowing will be billed to the owner of record.

Once the owner receives a bill for mowing, it must be paid within 30 days. After 30 days delinquent, the account is turned over to the Association attorney for processing. The Beaver Lake Association does not wish to be in the mowing business, so we are asking that you please make arrangements for your lot to be mowed and maintained until the growth stops in late October. Remember that the mowing responsibility includes the road right-of-way. If you have any questions about the location of your lot, please notify us at 402-235-2241. Mowing contractors can be found on the Beaver Lake website. Please utilize one of them and save yourself some money. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Troy Weatherby, Managing Director

## Election Notice

### ⚠ Important Election Information ⚠

Beaver Lake Association members have a choice of voting by proxy via email or in person at the clubhouse in our elections. All regular members get one ballot per fees-paying membership, whether voting by proxy or in person.

Members who choose to vote by proxy must register each year on our website. Annual registration is available between January 1 and the last Friday in April. If you own multiple lots, register each one separately.

#### Proxy Voting

When you register to e-vote, you will need to provide your lot number, name of registered lot owner, and an email you can access during election weekend.

**Be sure your lot number is correct. Be sure you can access that email during election weekend.**

On the Friday evening of election weekend, you will receive an email with a link to your electronic ballot. Multiple lot registrants will receive separate emails for each lot. You will have until 3 pm on election Sunday to vote.

To vote, click the link to open your ballot, select your choices, confirm, and submit.

About two weeks before the annual meeting and election, all members will receive a notice of annual meeting and election, along with the list of candidates and their bios.

- ▶ Signing up for our email newsletter does NOT register you to e-vote.
- ▶ Previous registration to e-vote does NOT register you to e-vote in subsequent elections. Annual registration keeps our voter lists up to date.
- ▶ If you register to e-vote by proxy, you will be ineligible to vote in person too.

Those who do not register to e-vote by proxy may vote in person at the clubhouse on the day of the election.

Remember, if you want to vote by proxy in the coming election, registration begins in January.

For details about our election procedures, see Section VII, Election Procedures in our Handbook: Home > Information > [BLA Handbook](#); or contact the office at 402-235-2241 or [info@beaverlakene.org](mailto:info@beaverlakene.org).

Anyone interested in serving on the Election Committee should [apply online](#) or contact the office at 402-235-2241.

## 2025 Board of Directors Candidates

### Julie Wagner

Hello, my name is Julie Wagner and I would like to announce that I am running for a seat on the Beaver Lake Board. I am anxious to apply my skills as a business owner and take on the responsibilities of helping our Beaver Lake community flourish.

I consider myself a patient and understanding person who works well with people. I often like to analyze and research problems so that the best decisions can be made.

I have owned property at Beaver Lake since 2011 and I have lived here full-time since 2020. I consider Beaver Lake one of Omaha's best-kept secrets. I feel very fortunate to live in such a beautiful place!

If I am elected, I will do my best to be an advocate for our Beaver Lake Community and work towards continued care and improvements. It would be an honor to serve this community.

#### Career/Family Background:

- Doctor of Chiropractic since 1995-Graduated Cum Laude from Cleveland Chiropractic College KC
- President of West Omaha Chiropractic & Sports Injury Clinic since 1996
- Fellowship International Academy of Medical Acupuncture 1998
- Mother of three children-Meredith-1997, Nate-1999, and Olivia-2001
- Volunteer Dog Therapy with Millard Public Schools-Canine Good Citizen Award 2013-2016

#### Work Responsibilities:

- Patient case management and care, Continuing Education
- Oversee 8-12 employees HR and Payroll
- Interviews, Hiring, Training and Termination
- Reviews and Compliance Officer
- Oversee Marketing and Software Management

Hobbies: Boating, Gardening, Working out, Off road-Utv, Cooking, Travel, Lake life

Contact: 402-980-3766      [jeodc@aol.com](mailto:jeodc@aol.com)



### Matt Larson

Hello, my name is Matt Larson. I have been a resident of Beaver Lake for over 20 years and have served on the Beaver Lake Board of Directors for the past three years. My wife, Heather, and our four daughters have proudly served the community, schools, and neighbors throughout those years.

If re-elected to the board, my continued objective is to create balance while keeping in mind what is best for the future of our community. We must strive to understand the past, work together, and value the knowledge and experience others bring—for the greater good of Beaver Lake.



Trust, mutual respect, and accountability are the core values that guide my decisions and actions. I am not afraid to venture into unfamiliar territory or go against the grain when necessary for the betterment of our community.

There are many challenging topics ahead, and I would like to continue working toward positive outcomes on your behalf. Your voice matters, and your vote is important.

I would sincerely appreciate your support and respectfully ask for your vote as a candidate for the Beaver Lake Board of Directors.

Thank you,  
Matt Larson  
[mattlarson4bla@gmail.com](mailto:mattlarson4bla@gmail.com)

## Lindsey Barrett

Dear Beaver Lake Members,

My name is Lindsey Barrett and I am excited to announce my candidacy for the Beaver Lake Association Board of Directors. I have been blessed to call our Association home for over 25 years. Growing up here, I had the privilege of serving as a lifeguard for many years and volunteering for various community and fund-raising events. Raising my son here has been my greatest joy. We both love using our facilities and the lake for boating, swimming, fishing and other activities and being a part of this special place, we call home.



I currently run my own Interior Design Firm and have had the pleasure to work with many members of our community on their homes. My background in Business and ethics is what I take pride in. I have served on previous nonprofit boards and I'm fully committed to serving our Association as a Board member.

I believe in listening to the members and working together as a team. If elected to the Board of Directors, one of my main objectives is establishing a business strategy and financial plan to address current and future major infrastructure projects and improvements. I am an advocate for not relying on selling our Beaver Lake properties that are owned by the Association membership. These properties are critical to the stability of our community. Executing a business strategy and financial plan will help us fund these projects without selling our appreciating properties that are used by our members, families and guests.

I have attended numerous Board meetings over the years and have listened to the community concerns. I believe in honest open communication. I am committed to hearing your comments before making sound decisions. I also believe that the Board actions need to conform with our Beaver Lake Association regulations, rules and procedures and that they comply with the Nebraska nonprofit corporation act statutes.

Thank you for your consideration and I would very much appreciate your vote.

If you have any questions feel free to call me at (402) 306-3923 Lot owner 1920B

[Register to Vote Online](#)

[Register to E-Vote](#)

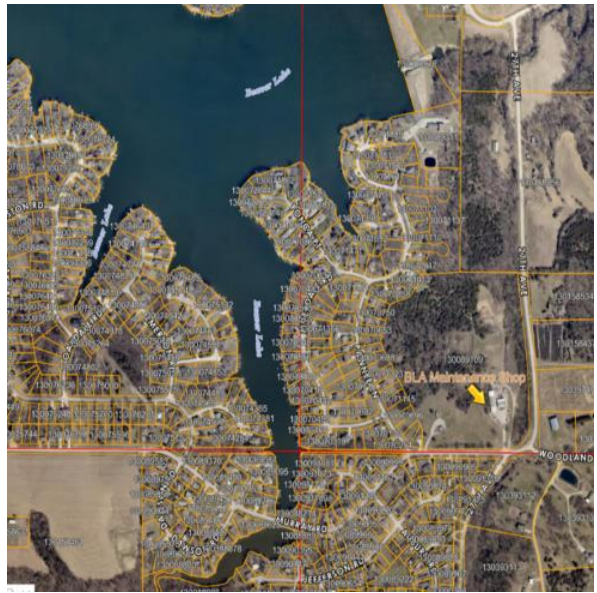
Last Day to register to vote electronically for 2025 is April 25<sup>th</sup>!

## 2025 Spring Clean-Up Day

Saturday, May 17, 2025  
8 am to 5 pm  
BLA Maintenance Shop  
off Murray Road at the SE end of  
the lake

The Association is providing dumpsters for free disposal of unwanted materials. This is open to Beaver Lake Property owners only. We will also take metal products for recycling.

Please, No concrete, tires or batteries. No fluids allowed – ie: oils, fuels, cleaning agents, poisons, etc.



Note the new location this year. Please take advantage of this opportunity to clean up around your house, in your garage or in your basement.

There will be Beaver Lake staff on site to help you dispose of your materials.



## Patrol Updates

**\* NEW for 2025!**

Important Announcement: New Watercraft Pre-Approval Process

We are pleased to inform you about a new update regarding the acquisition of watercraft in our community. To enhance safety and compliance, we are introducing a pre-approval process for all new watercraft purchases.

Starting January 1, 2025, all “new-to-you” watercraft must submit a pre-approval request before bringing the watercraft into our community. This ensures that all new watercraft adhere to our safety and environmental standards.

How to Submit a Pre-Approval Request:

1. Complete the Watercraft Pre-Approval Form available at <https://forms.office.com/r/3QcHJi0tRV>
2. Provide detailed information about the watercraft, including type, size, and safety features.
3. Submit the completed form online.

Once your request is reviewed, you will receive confirmation from the Beaver Lake Patrol office. Please ensure all newly purchased watercraft are approved before use to avoid any inconvenience.

We appreciate your cooperation in maintaining the safety and integrity of our community. Should you have any questions, please contact the BLA Patrol Office at 402-235-2243.

Thank you for your attention to this important update.



## Lake Patrol Announcements

### \* GAU Stickers

It's that time of year again - time for your annual golf cart, ATV and UTV registration! To ensure we all enjoy a smooth and safe ride around our lovely neighborhood, please take a moment to register your recreational vehicles.

Here's what you need to do:

1. Gather Documents: Make sure you have your proof of insurance.
2. Enter your Data: <https://forms.office.com/r/THtwUjuJN8>
3. Visit the Lake Patrol Office: Call and schedule an appointment with Lake Patrol on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons - 402.235.2243. Swing by the Boat Ramp Office during our business hours. Our friendly staff will assist you with the registration process.
4. Fees: The annual registration fee remains at \$50.
5. Deadline: Kindly complete by **May 1, 2025**.

Feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns. Thank you for helping keep our community safe and organized!

**BEAVER LAKE ASSOCIATION**  
**LAKE PATROL**  
**402-235-2243**

# COFFEE & CARTS

**SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH**  
**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM**  
**LAKE RIDGE GOLF COURSE**



**BEAT THE LINE -  
SAVE TIME!  
PRE-REGISTRATION  
LINK**



Attention south side residents! Beaver Lake is bringing the golf cart/ATV/UTV stickering to you! For 1 day only! April 26th. Line up for a cup of java and get your cart registered!

# Lake Patrol Announcements

## \* Boater Safety Class April 26<sup>th</sup>

To register for the April 26, 2025 Boater Safety Class, contact Beaver Lake Patrol at 402-235-2243 or [security@beaverlakene.org](mailto:security@beaverlakene.org).

April 26, 2025 / 9:00-3:30 / BLA Clubhouse

All boat operators born after 1985 are required to have a license.

Students will learn about operating a boat, parts of a boat, emergency procedures, and the laws regarding boating safety and operation.

Cost is \$10 cash or check.

A test will be given at the end of the class so attendees can earn their boating license.

Must be 14 years old to attend.

Please bring a sack lunch and drink.

## \* Boat Stickers due by May 1, 2025

Online Boat Registration is available on the BLA [Website](#) (or use QR codes below)



# 2025 BOAT STICKER HOURS

\*WEATHER PERMITTING! WE WILL NOT STICKER IF BELOW 50 DEGREES OR WET. CONTACT LAKE PATROL PRIOR TO ARRIVAL @ 402-235-2243

Saturday, April 5th	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 6th	12:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Saturday, April 12th	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 13th	12:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Saturday, April 19th	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 27th	12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Any Tuesday/Friday in April  
• **by appt. only** contact Lake Patrol 402-235-2243  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

April - placements will take place at the Boat Ramp. ALL STICKERS NEED TO BE RENEWED BY MAY 1, 2025. Starting May 1st - Ramp hours apply.

Contact the Patrol Office with any questions. 402-235-2243

# Murray Volunteer Fire & Rescue

**Reminder: MVFR July 4<sup>th</sup> Pancake Feed 7:00-11:00am at the Fire Station**  
Mark your Calendars!



## 🔥 Burn Bans in Nebraska: What You Need to Know 🔥

As the weather warms up and outdoor activities increase, it's important to be aware of our communities' burn bans and fire safety regulations. Murray Fire and Rescue has seen firsthand how quickly fires can spread, especially during dry conditions. Following burn bans is not just about following the law—it's about protecting lives, property, and our communities. If the Murray Fire & Rescue District is in a burn ban, that information can be found on the sign in front of the fire station, on the Murray Fire & Rescue Facebook page as well as the Beaver Lake & Murray Village Facebook pages.

### What Is a Burn Ban?

A burn ban is a temporary restriction on outdoor burning, put in place by state or local officials to reduce the risk of wildfires. In Nebraska, open burning is banned statewide unless specifically permitted by the local fire department or State Fire Marshal.



Common activities restricted under a burn ban include:

- ✓ Bonfires & Campfires
- ✓ Burning Leaves & Yard Waste
- ✓ Trash or Rubbish Fires
- ✓ Agricultural Burns (may require special permits)



### Why Compliance Is Critical

Ignoring a burn ban can have serious consequences, including:

- 🔥 Uncontrolled wildfires that destroy homes, farms, and wildlife habitats
- 🔥 Strained emergency resources, pulling firefighters away from other emergencies
- 🔥 Legal penalties, including fines and potential liability for damages

### Fire Safety Tips

Even when burning is allowed, follow these safety tips:

- ✓ Keep a water source nearby (hose, bucket, or fire extinguisher)
- ✓ Never leave fires unattended
- ✓ Avoid burning on windy days

By respecting burn bans and practicing fire safety, we can all do our part to protect our community. If you have questions, contact Murray Fire Dept: [Murrayvfdchiefs@gmail.com](mailto:Murrayvfdchiefs@gmail.com).



Jodi Teal  
MVFD

## From Your Friends at the BLA Office

### **Lake Temperature & Lake Level:**

Lake temp and level now available on the front page of the [BLA Website](#)! Check it out!

### **Beaver Lake's 2024 Water Quality Report Posted:**

Check out the Forms Section (under Information) on the BLA Website to see the [2024 Water Quality Report](#)

**Brush Site:** The Brush Site re-opened for the year at the beginning of March.

### **Save the Date for the MVFD Beach Party Fundraiser:**

This annual event will take place on Saturday, August, 16, 2025.

### **New Dues & Water Rates for 2025**

- Water and Sewer rates are now a base of \$19.00 for water and \$13.50 for sewer. Then each 1000 gallons after will be \$4.27 for water and \$2.99 for sewer.
- 2024 Dues rates will be \$316.62 per quarter for a total of \$1266.48 for the year.

### **Calendar Reservations**

Property owners can make 2025 reservations for the **campground**, the three **pavilions** as well as 2025 & 2026 Clubhouse reservations now.

Stay tuned. Reservations for the pool will begin sometime later in the spring.

Cassidy at the office will help you with your reservations. 402-235-2241

### **BLA Website:** [www.beaverlakene.org](http://www.beaverlakene.org)

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

Make sure to check it regularly and see what you find!

### **Online Payments**

Don't forget you can pay your Beaver Lake bills online by clicking [Pay Online](#) from the main menu of the website! Call the office if you have questions.

### **New Property Owners**

- Check out the Beaver Lake Website! There is a plethora of useful information.
- You can also stop by the Beaver Lake Office for a Welcome Packet.
- Sign up for Beaver Lake emails on the front page of the Website so you can read the monthly newsletter and be notified of emergencies.
- We'd love to have you fill out a [Membership Info Form](#) if you haven't already!