



RIVER RAISIN WATERSHED COUNCIL

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River Raisin Watershed Council
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2016 – 10:00 AM
Tecumseh Police Meeting Room
309 E. Chicago Blvd.
Tecumseh MI. 49286

1. Roll Call

- a. Vice Chairman Kolon called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM
- b. Executive Committee Members Present: Sybil Kolon, Commissioner KZ Bolton, John Chandler, Larry Feldpausch – Monroe County alternate, Harry Sheehan – Washtenaw County alternate
- c. Executive Committee Members Absent: John Calhoun, Laurie Johncox
- d. Others Present: Lisa Verona – Pittsfield Twp., Mark Johnson- Tecumseh Paddling, and Stephen May – Executive Director.

2. Approval of May 17, 2016 – Agenda

- a. Motion by Feldpausch, second by Sheehan to approve the agenda with addition of Ameri-Corp, Lenawee County Fair & Raffle and US Wildlife Federation to Executive Director/Programs Update. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

3. Approval of March 22, 2016, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- a. Motion by Sheehan, second by Feldpausch to approve minutes as amended – change date from “November 30, 2015” to “February 17, 2016 Minutes”. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

4. Treasurer’s Report

- a. The Treasurer’s Report for the period April 18, 2016 – May 11, 2016 – was distributed and reviewed by May. Revenue - \$1,246.50 Expenses - \$265.00 – Balance to date: - \$50,721.63 Motion by Feldpausch, second by Sheehan to accept Treasurer’s Report. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- b. Approve Disbursements for Outstanding Bills: New bills reported - \$392.04 – Stephen May – reimbursement mileage - \$74.87 to Lenawee Co. Printing – \$128.83 - First Federal - Visa – \$8,295.70 to Lenawee Co. Drain Commissioner – Wages: **Total of \$9,209.44.** Motion by Sheehan, second by Feldpausch to authorize payment of these bills. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

5. Audit 2015

- a. Update on 2015 Audit – Meeting with Phil Rubley May 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM



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6. Executive Director Updates

- a. Distribute calendar of future dates of RRWC activities
- b. Updated EC on the River Raisin Assessment in the City of Adrian
- c. Working on developing a list for possible grant writing opportunities
- d. Update - Visit to Heidelberg University
- e. Communication with ERB Foundation about possible funding opportunity

7. Membership Updates

- a. 2016 Membership Update - – Municipals (49) - \$19,752.00 / Individuals (7) - \$322.22 / (4) Corporate - \$8,600.00 - \$7,000.00 of this was privately donated for the City of Adrian RR Study.

8. Other Funding Updates

- a. Several inquiries into ERB Foundation for FAC funding – Sheehan is pursuing other opportunities. Contact with Wacker Silicones for funds for RR log jam removal.

9. Partnership Updates

- a. Update on visit to Heidelberg University with John Calhoun, Steve May and Jim Martin. Toured lab facility and was impressed with facilities and procedures.

10. Program Updates

- a. Continuing process to extend and fund Farmers Advisory Committee. Working with NRCS and Lenawee Conservation District to restructure committee. Met with Lindsey Garrison on (2) occasions.
- b. Continued sampling & monitoring of SB of River Raisin with MSU-IWR and Adrian College.
- c. Conservation Innovation Grant (CIG) Grant Proposal with MSU-IWR – Update soon.

11. Committee Reports

- a. **Current Chairs** of each committee as follows: Outreach – Kolon; Technical – May; Development – Calhoun; Administrative – Pratt; Financial – Johncox.
- b. **Outreach** – Meeting with Hoyden Group on May 19, 2016 6:30 PM to discuss marketing strategy for RRWC. Committee would like to recommend new strategy & logo to EC. Update Manchester Canoe Race – Setup RRWC booth. Sybil visited Clinton Middle School to meet teacher & students receiving monitoring kits.
- c. **Technical** – Continued work on RR Assessment document and prioritize work schedule. Writing a proposal to request work this Fall from Ameri-Corp.
- d. **Development** – Setting up meeting next month.



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e. **Administrative** – Discussed possible By-law changes at Fall Delegate Meeting.

f. **Financial** – Meeting with Phil Rubley May 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM

12. Old Business

a. Update on injection wells in Raisin Township – it appears that EPA will require a public meeting for public comment – date and time to be set later.

13. New Business - None

14. **Next Meeting** – June 21, 2016 - 10:00 AM – Tecumseh Police Meeting Room.

15. Adjournment

a. Motion by Chandler, second by Bolton to adjourn meeting at 11:40 a.m. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by Stephen May – Executive Director
June 6, 2016

Approval of Minutes

Date: _____

Secretary: _____

Commissioner KZ Bolton