



RIVER RAISIN WATERSHED COUNCIL

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**River Raisin Watershed Council
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2018 – 10:30 AM
Tecumseh Police Meeting Room
309 E. Chicago Blvd, Tecumseh, MI**

1. Roll Call

Chairman Calhoun called the meeting to order at 10:37 AM

Executive Committee Members Present: John Calhoun, Laurie Johncox, Sybil Kolon, & Harry Sheehan

Executive Committee Members Absent: Evan Pratt, Commissioner KZ Bolton, & Commissioner Dave Hoffman

Others Present: Stephen May – Executive Director, Bob Jenson – Brooklyn Village Delegate, Katie Goplerud-Smith – Outreach Coordinator, Pat Northrup – Community member

2. Approval of May 15, 2018 – Agenda

a. Revised and motioned by Kolon, second by Sheehan to revise by correcting next meeting in Adrian and approve May 15, 2018 Agenda. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

3. Approval of April 17, 2018 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

a. Revised to remove section “E” under New Business. Motion by Johncox, second by Kolon for the revision and approval of the April meeting minutes. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

4. Treasurer’s Report

a. The Treasurer’s Report for the period March 31, 2018 to April 30, 2018 – was distributed and reviewed by Johncox. Revenue - **\$914.00** - Expenses - **\$13,921.97** – Balance to date: **\$32,799.81**. Motion by Sheehan, second by Kolon to accept Treasurer’s Report. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

b. Approve Disbursements for Outstanding Bills: New bills reported – **\$52.32** – Stephen May – Reimbursement – **\$320.00** – Decker Agency - Board Bond – **\$50.00** – State of Michigan Raffle License – **\$350.00** - Lenawee Conservation District Sponsorship - **\$16.02** – Lenawee County

Printing & Purchasing – **\$202.53** – First Federal Visa: **Total of \$990.87.** Motion by Johncox, second by Sheehan to authorize payment of these bills. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

5. Elect Officers

- a. Discussed revising term limits. Will resolve when more board members are present.

6. Executive Director Updates (See Report – on file)

- a. Report
- b. Calendar of upcoming events 2017
- c. Membership updates – 49 Municipalities, 3 Corporations, & 12 Individuals.
- d. No Adopt-A-Stream Search day as of yet due to weather
- e. Adrian Steel expressed interest in participating in events/becoming a sampling location
- f. Semi-Annual Meeting – great reviews from multiple people
- g. New Outreach Coordinator was hired (Katie Goplerud-Smith)
- h. Hoyden Group meeting soon to improve outreach/create short video about RRWC
- i. Lenawee County Fair – Got raffle license and will get 2 kayaks and Yeti cooler from Dunham’s

7. Partnership Updates (See Executive Director Report)

- a. ERB Grant – Farmer-Led Watershed Conservation
 - i. ERB Foundation – Michigan Association of Conservation Districts (MACD) Grant - Update
 - ii. Restructuring FAC - FLCG Website: www.waterqualityfarming.org
 1. FLG Semi-Annual Meeting – April, 5, 2018 – LISD – Tech Center – Change fall meetings to evenings. Desire to target younger farmers.
 2. Coffee Shop Talk - Update
- b. TSN Grant – Cooling the Hot Spots – Update – No Contact with TSN – Where do we go from here? Suggestions for partnering with Conservation Districts to contact farmers about program to pay to offset violations on other property.

8. Committee Reports

- a. **Current Chairs** of each committee as follows: Outreach – Kolon; Technical – May; Development – Calhoun; Administrative – Johncox; Financial – Johncox.
- b. **Outreach** – Manchester Canoe Race May 20th. Stewardship Network
- c. **Technical** – Connecting Lenawee – Kayak Launches application in process since September 2016.
- d. **Development** – Contact municipalities with dues outstanding. Invasive Species (DNR/Road Commission) need someone to submit CISMA Grant.
- e. **Administrative** – Articles of Incorporation sent – \$20 – Pending.
- f. **Financial** – Audit needed – completed but not yet returned.

9. Old Business

- a. Discover the Raisin: \$200 sent to four schools (See April 2017 minutes).

10. New Business

- a. Dam Warning Signage – Red Mill Pond Dam Tecumseh, MI – 24 x 24 = \$29 per sign (2 need installed with post) Motion by Johncox, second by Kolon to approve the purchase and install the Red Mill Pond Dam signs. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- b. Kayak Raffle – Lenawee County Fairgrounds – Articles of Inc. required – pending.

11. Next Meeting – June 19th – 10:30 AM – 320 Springbrook Ave, Suite 102 – Adrian, MI.

12. Adjournment

- a. Motion by Sheehan, second by Johncox to adjourn meeting at 10:26 AM. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by Stephen May – Executive Director – June 15, 2017

Approval of Minutes

Date: _____

Secretary: _____
Commissioner KZ Bolton