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**River Raisin Watershed Council
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
June 19, 2018 – 10:30 AM
Lenawee County Drain Commissioner's Office
320 Springbrook Ave. Suite 102
Adrian, MI 49221**

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, Commissioner Dave Hoffman, John Chandler

Executive Committee Members Absent: Evan Pratt & Commissioner KZ Bolton

Others Present: Stephen May – Executive Director, George Service – Clayton Village Delegate, Katie Goplerud-Smith – Outreach Coordinator

2. Approval of June 19, 2018 – Agenda

a. Motion by Kolon, second by Hoffman to approve. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

3. Approval of May 15, 2018 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

a. Motion by Kolon, second by Johncox to approve as submitted. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

4. Treasurer's Report

- a. The Treasurer's Report for the period April 30, 2018 to May 31, 2018 – was distributed and reviewed by Johncox. Revenue - **\$2,333.25** - Expenses - **\$990.87** – Balance to date: **\$34,142.19**. Motion by Calhoun, second by Kolon to accept Treasurer's Report. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- b. Booth at Artalicious in Adrian proposed to give more publicity to RRWC and involves art project for kids. Cost is \$25. Motion by Johncox, second by Sheehan to approve booth. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- c. Approve Disbursements for Outstanding Bills: New bills reported: Artalicious booth - **\$25.00**; Stephen May Mileage Reimbursement – **\$14.17**; First Federal Visa (Cabela's Semi-Annual

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Meeting costs) - **\$357.28: Total of \$396.45.** Motion by Kolon, second by Hoffman to authorize payment of these bills. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

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

- a. Report
- b. Calendar of upcoming events 2018
 - i. Cancelled Spring Adopt-A-Stream due to hazardous weather and river conditions
 - ii. Lenawee County Fair: July 22 – 28
 - iii. Jackson County Fair: August 5 - 11
 - iv. River Raisin Festival in Blissfield: July 12 – 14
 - v. Wacker Chemical river clean-up group: July 21
 - vi. MSU boat wash station at Womplers Lake: August 19
 - vii. Great Outdoors Jamboree at Lake Hudson: September 9
 - viii. Artalicious in Adrian: September 21 – 22
 - ix. Clinton Fall Festival: September 28 - 29
- c. Membership updates – 50 Municipalities, 3 Corporations, & 15 Individuals.
- d. Water Words that Work: website critique for Farmer-Led group, lots of changes on their site and RRWC's website.
- e. Visited Onsted Elementary and taught 4 5th grade classes about the watershed/groundwater.
- f. WLEB meeting: updates on website and programs, report for renewing funds due in July.
- g. Lenawee County Fair: Purchased 2 kayaks and Yeti cooler from Dunham's, tickets will be on presale around 1 month before fair (the cooler and 1 kayak will be \$5/ticket; other kayak is \$10/ticket).
- h. Steve May will speak about RRWC at the Lenawee County Region 2 Planning Commission June 21 at the Country Club.
- i. Email sent to last year's members to renew memberships.

6. Partnership Updates (See Executive Director Report)

- a. ERB Grant – Farmer-Led Watershed Conservation
 - i. ERB Foundation – Michigan Association of Conservation Districts (MACD) Grant: Conference call June 21 to discuss a new summary for 2019 for the 3rd year of the grant; continuing improvement of website to include more photos and updated information.
- b. TSN Grant – Cooling the Hot Spots: Had one quick conference call, grant extended for 2 years, no other updates.
- c. NCM America's Movie Network: short ad at MJR Theater in Adrian for 3 months. Ad could be used at other locations/events/on website in the future. Motion to allocate \$700 for creation of ad by Calhoun, second by Hoffman. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- d. Clinton Art Center had ribbon cutting ceremony June 1 and is now open and selling our mugs/other art from Gregg Perez.
- e. Wetland mitigation banking: no new information to report.
- f. River signs: Will begin to move forward after AmeriCorps is over in Tecumseh. Meeting with Shelley Lim on July 2 for more information.

- g. Solid Waste Collection in Washtenaw County: Event September 29 to collect household waste/recyclables from Washtenaw County at Thomson Reuters office complex from 9am – 2pm. Harry mentioned it would be a great way for RRWC to be involved by helping/handing out thank-you cards from RRWC/brochures.

7. Committee Reports

- a. **Current Chairs** of each committee as follows: Outreach – Kolon; Technical – May; Development – Calhoun; Administrative – Johncox; Financial – Johncox.
- b. **Outreach** – No report.
- c. **Technical** – No report.
- d. **Development** – Need Development meeting for 2019. Cement City and Summerset will be contacted about renewing membership.
- e. **Administrative** – No report.
- f. **Financial** – Audit is finished.

8. Old Business

- a. None to report.

9. New Business

- a. Lenawee County Fair Raffle: Early sales will begin once tickets are printed and distributed.
- b. Lenawee County Fair Volunteers: Recruiting has begun and a poll will be sent out to make a schedule of volunteers.

10. Next Meeting – July 17th – 10:30 AM – 320 Springbrook Ave, Suite 102 – Adrian, MI.

11. Adjournment

- a. Motion by Johncox, second by Kolon to adjourn meeting at 11:29 AM. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

12. Re-opening of Meeting at 11:31AM

- a. For action item: ITC gave \$1500. RRWC will use money for river signs on as many major thoroughfares in Jackson/Monroe County as possible. It costs \$40/sign to make.

13. Adjournment at 11:35AM

Respectfully submitted by Stephen May – Executive Director – June 19, 2018

Approval of Minutes

Date: _____

Secretary: _____

Commissioner KZ Bolton