



LMWCC Board of Trustees Meeting Nov 7, 2020

Attendance: Chasity G., Dale D., Jim S., Joyce D., Armas S., Dan S.

Call meeting to order at __10:05 a.m.__

Approval Meeting Minutes from October:

- Motion to approve by Dan, Jim second. **October meeting minutes approved.**

Treasurer's Report

- Approval from the board for a \$1,040 from Great Lakes Water Quality Lab for Water Quality processing.
 - \$65/site for 16 sites
 - Motion was made to pay the bill by Dan and seconded Dale.
Motion approved.
- Motion was made by Dan and seconded by Dale based on the recommendation to reduce the sites to half, doing 8 sites. **Motion approved.** Joyce will make a recommendation on which sites will be done for future monitoring.
- Review of accounts and reconciliation by Dan
 - Motion was made to approve treasurer's report by Dale and seconded by Armas. **Motion approved.**
- Paypal balance is currently \$411.00. Funds are transferred to LOSB when the amount goes over the \$500.00.
 - Dan has all the reconciliation reports if anyone would like to see it.
 - This was last transferred August 2019.
- Review of the Forecasted Expenditures
 - Add to the newsletter
 - Armas will report to Dan on what will be forecasted for 2021 line item #4 for the Watershed Management Plan

Projects

- Kamstra - Dale
 - Still waiting on Shawn for final expenditures.
- Site #60
 - \$8,900 invoice from Shawn was paid.
- Indian Club site #25&26
 - Visited and permits have been approved
 - An update is needed on what work has been completed. We are awaiting an invoice on this project.
- New Erosion Survey
 - Completed and awaiting the report. Expected time of submission is Spring 2021.
- New sites?
 - None at this time.

Watershed Mgt Plan

- Armas paid Networks Northwest and the plan is complete.



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- Printed is done by Networks Northwest for Federal Government, Joyce, and Armas
- Request was made to have 10 additional copies printed by a vendor.
 - Armas will check with Jackpine for estimated printing costs.
 - The following LMWCC Board members have requested printed copies as noted below:
 - Dale - 2 copies
 - Melissa - 1
 - Jim - 1
- The check from MCCF to LMWCC for the Watershed Management Plan should have arrived at Dan's. Once Dan writes the check to Networks Northwest, if he hasn't already, all that remains is to send MCCF a copy of the cancelled check once it clears.
- Armas has requested that Anna add both the plan and approval letter to the website.
- We are scheduled to install the second Monitoring Station on November 5th. Armas has tested the station #1 and it all works fine where the cell hot spot amplifies the cell signals. It reliably uploads automatically to the internet, using Degrees Fahrenheit and Inches as units.
- We are working with the Lake County Conservation district to find funding to develop an Invasive species plan per the WMP.

Grants david -

- Nothing reported

Old business

- Website updates-Steve
 - Nothing reported
- Real-estate with Septic System Info Package-Joyce and Armas
 - Create a folder packet to include: sticker, membership brochure, Septic System Info, Home Owners Guide, and newsletter.
 - The Homeowners Guide is on it's way and should arrive within the next week.
 - 100 pieces for \$497. This was approved in the Spring of 2020.
 - LMWCC will be invoiced for this amount.
- Lake County Community Foundation grant process - Armas
 - Possible request for a turbidity meter for the monitor station- approx cost is \$1500. Armas has been collecting data from the existing station as data to share for the grant.
 - Motion was made by Dan to request a grant for a turbidity meter for the monitor station and seconded by Dale. **Motion passed.**
- Luther Dam-Dale and Armas
 - Armas sent the letter that was approved by the board a few months ago with no response. The letter was also sent to Rep. VanSinkle.
 - Dale and Armas will work to set up a meeting with the village of Luther and Rep. Vansinkle.



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- Manistee County Community Foundation funds
 - Reconciliation of Funds was sent via email by Armas
 - \$34,012.95 as of 9/30
 - Implementation plan fund: \$11,676.27 as of 9/30

- Conservation Specialist for Manistee Conservation District is requesting \$4,000 per year for two years support from us.
 - This request would support a position with the MCCD and include a 2 year agreement by all 10 watersheds in the MCD area.
 - Joyce reported that any letters of support and/or funding would help them to write for requests for grant funding to further financially support this position.
 - Motion was made by Dan to write a letter of support for \$4,000 per year for 2 years that is contingent upon the hire of a Conservation Specialist and the agreement of the other 9 watersheds to contribute funding to this position. The motion was 2nd by Dale. **Motion passes 4 to 2.**
 - Armas will draft a letter based on the letter template shared by the MCD.

New business

- Joyce Durdel stepped down as Water Quality Coordinator that includes Water Quality and Macroinvertebrate study.
 - She will still be an active member.
 - She will still be a part of the Watershed Management Plan Committee.
 - She will continue to work with the Manistee Conservation District for the 3 sites that they do.
 - Dale will talk with his wife, and Joe Neuman has expressed interest.
- Natural Rivers Projects
 - Dan reached out to Brian Burry to get any updates on the DNR's position of Natural Rivers Designation. Brian Burry has not responded. Dan will continue to reach out and update the board as necessary.

next meeting Dec 5, 2020 and adjourn.