

LMWCC Board of Trustees Meeting
September 3, 2022

Attendance: Jim Squire, Joe Neuman, Tim Phillips, Armas Soorus, JoyceDurdel, Gordon Lewis, David Spruence

Call Meeting to Order 10:16 a.m.

Approval of August 8, 2022, Minutes

- Jim Squire moved to approve and Joe Neuman seconded the approval of the August 8 meeting minutes

Treasurer's Report

- Jim Squire moved to approve the treasurer's report and Joe Neuman seconded the motion
- Update LOSB Account Signatures Armas
 - This was postponed due to the absences of the treasurer. Armas will mail the update to Dan

Annual Meeting Postmortem - July 9, 2022

- Filing with State of Michigan-no new update
- Financial Results-no new update
- Ideas for a Secretary Candidate
 - David Spruence may be interested but is challenged by scheduling
 - David to start at the meeting in October

Project Management

- Wayne was not present
- Bluff failure estimated \$3500 for CRA/the landowners \$3000-\$4000
 - New since the survey and it is classified as severe by Nate
 - Tim shared that historically, if the private landowner is a member of LMWCC then the Watershed would pay for the permit
 - The board recommended evaluating other opportunities for this project at a lower cost in the future
 - A motion was made by Jim Squire that the landowners contribute 50% percent of work cost for projects. Joe Neuman seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**
 - Armas will contact Wayne and help to facilitate a conversation with the Thomas landowners.

Water Quality and Macro Studies

- Survey was done from Old Grade to past Bear Track for invasives species
 - Found 3 occurrence of the 5 priority invasives
 - japanese knotweed (2), phragmites (1)
 - It was suggested that communication be created to go to members that would educate the community about invasive species, as well as adding communication to the website.
- Joe shared the response to the letter he wrote regarding the Luther fire.

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- Joyce posed to the board a proposal to evaluate a human e coli below Luther bridge at a cost of less than \$200. The results will be shared with the Department of Health and Human Services.
 - Jim made a motion for the test or human e coli to occur at a cost less than \$200. The motion was seconded by Joe Neuman/David. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Conservation District Activities

- Copies of the Watershed management plan to go to local libraries.
- Interns
 - We are still waiting on reports that should come after October. Reports should be available on the website at the end of October.

Watershed Management Plan – Armas/Joyce

Letter of Support for Natural Rivers

- Done but photos are still needed. Seeking a wide angle photo shot to better capture the river
- Summary of Natural Rivers – Interns are working, David, Armas and Joyce Zoomed with them.
- Picture/Informational Presentation – Armas is working on, may have intern do it

Grant with MCD

- Grant was denied

Riparian Owners Guide (Previously Homeowners Guide)

- Nothing new to report
- Joyce will order more to distribute as we are running low.

Web Links to Natural Rivers

- nothing new to report

Facebook links to Monitoring Station

- Joe is having trouble linking the FB page directly to the website.
 - Joe will reach out to Anna Rogers

New Business

- Jim Squire moved to cancel the October meeting and Joe Neuman seconded the motion

Adjourn: