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Board Meeting Agenda

Geneva Twp. Hall

Tuesday April 17, 2018 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to order; introductions; agenda additions and/or corrections.

2. Minutes of Mar. 14 Regular Meeting-corrections/approval.

3. Announcements, events, deadlines, etc.:

Apr 19, 20 and 21- VBCD tree sale in S. Haven and Paw Paw

Apr 20- Sustainability Issues Legislative Forum 11:30-1:30 at Wightman and Assoc

Apr 21- Earth Day at PPDL 11-2. Anyone available to attend and take TRC trifold?

Apr 26- Salmon Release at Maple Lake Dam. Anyone available to present re TRC and
macro sampling?

May 6- Spring macro collection (VSMP) on Sunday; I.D. on Monday

May 11- SJRBC event at Fernwood

May 22-23- Michigan Water School at WMU, 2 day workshop

June 14- PPR paddle and Pint Night; 3:00 paddle, Livery at 5:00

Aug 4-River Rescue w/ VBCD

Sept 15- Community paddle on Black River w/ SWMLC and B/SH HWTA

Sept 30-VSMP

Nov 14- TRC 10th Annual Meeting

4. Treasurer's Report: Nesbitt.

5. Old Business:

A] Distribute rack cards

B] Report from Pierman re: Sierra Club, BCCD, and/or MSEF



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C] Same re T-shirt accounting.

D] Haight to continue to work on by-law changes.

6. New Business/Projects/Funded Grants

A] On-going grant projects: CISMA, PPR Riparian/Ox Creek, Mill/Pine Creeks 319.

**B] New grant projects: PPR/BR Watershed Management Plans Update, Ox Creek 319,
Hall Park Invasives**

**Haight talked w/Marcy re watershed update plans and nothing will happen until late
summer or fall**

C] Non grant projects: VSMP, PPRWT, E. coli monitoring, River Rescue

VSMP- who can be a team leader on May 6?

**PPRWT- Haight continuing series of meetings w/ municipalities. Haight and Nesbitt
planning to organize series of community paddles involving trailhead towns. Possible
dates: Jul 14,15; 21,22; 28,29; Aug 18,19. Third Coast could do a weekday evening paddle
from Watervliet to Coloma but cost would be \$30-40. Haight to also talk to PPR
Campground.**

**E. coli monitoring- Haight submitted grant application to FwF asking for \$2,985.
Basically 2 rounds of testing similar to last year, then a 3rd round focusing on streams
with high levels during dry event. 2 samples from each location, one to lab and duplicate
sent to Environmental Canine Services in Maine. Use data to advocate for T.O.S.T.
ordinance in VB County.**

**River Rescue event (boat only) on Sat Aug. 4th with TRC supplying some leaders for
different river segments (Haight, Nesbitt, ???).**

D] Speakers:

**AJ Brucks to speak on VSMP data, in June/July?; Ryan Postema of COL agreed to speak
on date TBD; Bette has suggested WMU prof David Karowe re climate change and lakes,
possibly at LMC/SH.**

7. Adjourn.