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Board Meeting Agenda
Geneva Twp. Hall
Tuesday Feb. 19, 2019 6:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to order; introductions; agenda additions and/or corrections.**
- 2. Minutes of Dec. 18 and Jan 15 Regular Meeting-corrections/approval.**
- 3. Announcements, events, deadlines, etc.:**

Thur Feb 21- Berrien Conservation District Annual Meeting
Tues Mar 19- TRC monthly meeting
Fri Mar 22- FotSJR Annual Meeting in Sturgis (raptors)
Wed Mar 27- Volunteer Appreciation Night w/ VBCD @ Old Town Hall; 5:30
Fri Apr 12- pre-orders due VBCD Tree Sales; sale on Apr 18 and 19
Tue Apr 16- TRC monthly meeting
Sunday May 5- Macro collection, I.D. Monday May 6
Sat Sept 7- Mich Sea Grant/CISMA paddle workshop on AIS

4. Treasurer's Report: Nesbitt.

5. Old Business:

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

- 1] Water pumping from Eagle and Crooked Lakes into Bass Lake
- 2] Palisades Citizen Advisory Board mtg?
- 3] TRC participation in Kazoo Earth Day Apr 20 (booth, 101,000 acts of green?)

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

CISMA:

- 1) series of naturalist paddles being planned; Aquatic Invasive Species paddle workshop date set Sat Sept 7(Graham Ave BH)
- 2) Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA) paddle survey on lower PPR

C] New grant projects: PPR/BR Watershed Management Plans Update, Ox Creek 319, FwF grant for E. coli testing

Ox Creek: website is sustainoxcreek.org; also has a new FB page



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E. coli project: Kevin had meetings w/ Erin F. and Kyle B; Kyle produced maps and graphs, Kevin and Kenneth presented data at Water/Ways Expo on Feb 16; will present data at Vol Apprec Night; Need better poster board for data?

D] Non-grant projects: VSMP, PPRWT, River Rescue

PPRWT: Kevin attended 100 Women Who Care on Jan. 16 to ask for their support of PPRWT but was not selected. Possibly try again at April meeting

VSMP: macro collection on Sunday May 5, need team leaders (Kevin gone)

E] Status of thank you letters: David Karowe; silent auction donors; PayPal and other 2018 TRC donors (Kevin has done Wright (GHCF), Evergreene, B. Ziebart, and P. Boerma

F] PPR National Wild and Scenic River status- Kyle

G] update of roster and terms of open board seats; need newest by-law changes posted on web page

6. New Business

A. Paw Paw River Poker Paddle fundraiser w/ Hartford Fire Dept-Kevin met again w/ HFD and Mike Chapell; looking at last Sat in July or 1st Sat in Aug

B. Annual Meeting 2019: choose date (T, W or Th evening in October or early Nov);

Kevin has spoken to Ryan Postema of COL who is interested in doing presentation;" Evolution of an Eco-system" re SW Mi river systems

C. Discussion re holding TRC business meetings every other month and meeting to discuss particular projects or other topics in more depth on intervening months

7. Speakers/Events/Projects in 2019: Patrick Ertel of MDNR; S. Bend storm drain

8. Adjourn