



TWO RIVERS COALITION
July 13, 2016 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Vineyard 354 Family Farm
24777 CR 354 Lawton MI
Wed. Jul 13, 2016 6:00 p.m.

Call to order: 6:05 p.m.

Attendees: Kenneth Nesbitt, Kevin Haight, Bette Pierman, Joe Parman, Dave Foerster, Sam Ewbank, Paul Vanden Bosch (board members underlined)

Agenda – July 13, 2016 agenda approved as amended

Motion by Paul Vanden Bosh, seconded by Dave Foerster to approve June 8, 2016 minutes as amended, all in favor, motion carried.

May 2016 Treasurer Report, hand-out provided: No Activity

Announcements, events, deadlines, etc.:

- Jul 15 - Field trip to Cardno native plant nursery
- Jul 23 – Rhythm on the River festival South Haven
- Jul 24 - Maple Circle Paddle on Maple Lake
- Jul 27 – Berrien County Farm Dray
- Aug 2-VBCD millage request on ballot – More information on TRC & VBCD websites
- Aug 6 - River Rescue
- Sep 19 - ICCD/dedication of Maple Lake natural shoreline
- Oct 2 - Fall VSMP collection event
- Oct 15 - grand opening Black River Preserve/ Paddle on BR
- Dec 7- Annual meeting-“Shifting Sands”

Old Business

Funded Grants:

VSMP with VBCD - Fall collection event is Oct 2 – No new information

Stream crossing inventory with VBRC: Teams are coordinating w/ AJ Brucks, Road Commission, and summer MDEQ intern Rachel. Inventory is 75 percent completed

PPR/Ox Creek with SWMLC and SWMPC – No new information

CISMA with VBCD - Erin Fuller will to come to a meeting and explain how TRC can help

Pine Creek w/ VBCD - grant was approved – No new information, press release soon?



Village of Paw Paw Brownfield Grant approved - \$400,000 awarded; Targeted areas will be in Village of Paw Paw and adjacent properties.

Field trip to Cardno Nursery in Walkerton, Indiana - Friday July 15 – Carpooling, 8:30 a.m. from Paw Paw & Hartford.

New Business:

Fundraising: Another Pint Night? Board members will talk to local breweries for addition dates and locations (Livery & Paw Paw Brewing. Raffle license - Kevin will put together application to SOM.

Proposed Paw Paw River Water Trail (PPRWT) – Update: \$100,000 one-time grant to SWMPC

Annual Meeting - Room reserved at VBCC for Wednesday December. 7th. “Shifting Sands” director/producer Pat Wisniewski has agreed to show their hour long documentary at annual meeting. Board members will seek out donations for possible silent auction or just limit to 50/50 raffle.

TRC Board still needs a speaker for Fall meeting.

Adjourn. 6:34 p.m.

Respectively submitted:
Joe Parman, Secretary