



*An alliance of the Black River
and Paw Paw River Watersheds*

**Board Meeting –Acapulco Restaurant
Lawrence, MI**

Agenda

Wed. Mar. 9, 2016

5:00 pm

1. Call to order; Introductions; Agenda additions and/or corrections
2. Minutes of Regular Meeting Feb.10 – corrections/approval
3. Announcements, events, deadlines, etc.:
 - Jan-Apr WMU Honors College Wed Noon Water lecture series
 - Mar 14- Volunteer recognition event
 - Mar 18- FotSJR Annual Meeting-carpool?
 - Mar 29- MWEA meeting in E. Lansing: Joe P. to present
 - Mar 31- training session for stream crossing inventory
 - Apr 13- TRC Board meeting
 - May 1 - Spring VSMP collection event
 - May 5- Community Pint Night at The Livery
 - Oct 2 - Fall VSMP collection event
4. Treasurer's Report: Nesbitt
 - [A] recent donations (thank you letters needed -HKH),
5. Old Business
 - [A] Funded Grants:
 - 1] VSMP with VBCD
 - a] Tamara Lipsey from MDEQ to give presentation on bio-survey work on Mar 9
 - b] Volunteer recognition/recruitment event w/ VBCD on Monday Mar 14
 - c] Spring collection event Sunday May 1-Need to confirm team leaders
 - 2] Stream crossing inventory with VBRC- need to pick practice/training sites; training for volunteers Mar 31 with Patrick Ertel of MDEQ.- NEED volunteer team leaders, Kevin, Kenneth, Dave can't make training but interested, Bette, Grant, Colleen? to attend training
 - 3] PPR/Ox Creek with SWMLC and SWMPC
 - a) Haight attended meeting at Sarett on 2/12
 - Community Pint Night at The Livery May 5th 5-8 p.m.*** Possible paddle beforehand?
 - BCCD Farm Day
 - Wightman to move-up parking lot to rain garden time table?
 - Discussion of TRC possibly producing short film about project
 - 4] CISMA with VBCD
 - [B] powerpoint of 2015 TRC activities on website?
6. New Business
 - [A] Berrien County Parks grant request DNR NRTF/ letter of support?
 - [B] Pay \$25 registration fee for Board member(s) to attend Michigan Water Environment Association meeting in E. Lansing Mar. 29th ?
 - [C] Need speaker ideas for 2016
 - 1] Fisheries guy from DNR?; Speaker for Ox Creek project?; "Shifting Sands" authors(Kenneth to explore); Peter Bane on another perma-culture topic
 - [D] Change language in by-laws re: director liability?
 - [E] Discussion of additional goals, projects, etc. for 2016: Kenneth to talk about DNR initiative to get classes into woods, Forest Stewardship plan, and Project Learning Tree
 - [F] Fundraising: Show a movie; Community Pint Night at The Livery

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