



**TWO RIVERS COALITION
OCTOBER 13, 2010, BOARD MEETING
GENEVA TOWNSHIP HALL**

Attendees: Tom Howe, Matt Meersman, Kevin Haight, Dave Foerster, Nancy Edwards, Al Baerren, Joe Van Walde, Marcy Colclough, Chris Bauer (Board Members Underlined)

Motion All were in favor of approving the September 8, 2010 minutes.

Treasurers Report: Matt Meersman provided handout. Net income for month \$47.94, Total Assets \$7,192.73.

Motion by Dave Foerster to approve October 13, 2010, Treasurers Report, 2nd by Matt Meersman, approved.

Marcy Colclough explained the Village of Paw Paw's intent to submit a proposal for DNRE's FY2011 Nonpoint Source Funding and requested a TRC match commitment. The proposal includes urban low impact development, agricultural BMP cost-share, and information/education components. TRC's match would include a representative on the Maple Lake committee, website announcements, and assistance with workshops.

Motion by Kevin Haight and 2nd by Matt Meersman to partner with the Village of Paw Paw on Agricultural, Urban, and Managerial BMP Implementation on the S. Branch and E. Branch Paw Paw and Maple Lake watersheds by providing a letter of commitment for in-kind match valued at approximately \$1,100.00, approved.

Website Committee: Dave Foerster said the website is running with no major problems.

Community Connections/Annual Meeting: Al Baerren indicated the annual meeting is set for December 8 at the Lawrence Conference Center. Guest speakers will be Stu Kogge (buffer strips and general pollution discussion) and Dr. Carla Koretsky (eutrophication and road salt). Dave will be the introductory speaker. Al will ask the speakers for bios for promotion purposes. Need to start publicizing by beginning of November. There was a discussion about getting sponsors. It was decided not to ask for sponsors, but to invite partners to bring displays.



P-Ban Outreach: No new activities. \$460 remains from the Freshwater Future grant. Marcy suggested building display materials to go on Joe Parman's tri-fold display board (which he has offered in the past). Marcy will check into display size, etc.

Walk, Paddle, and Roll: Kevin reported that \$944 has been raised through the Paw Paw River Odyssey. Although Kevin will continue to paddle beyond the date and TRC can continue to receive donations, the official event cycle ends on October 31. There is potential that TRC will "place" in the competition.

Kevin expressed interest in doing another blog in the spring with paddling updates.

Dave mentioned the E. coli samples being collected in the South Haven area. The City's contractor, DeLisle, will be preparing a final report.

Dave distributed the draft membership drive letter and requested that everyone review and get any comments to Dave and Sam by October 31.

Meeting adjourned 8:50 pm.

Submitted by Chris Bauer