



**TWO RIVERS COALITION**  
**August 10, 2011 BOARD MEETING**  
**Geneva Township Hall**

**Call to order:** 7:12 p.m.

**Attendees:** Dave Foerster, Joe Parman, Tom Howe, Kenneth Nesbitt, Nancy Edwards, Matt Meersman  
Carl Bouton, Carolyn White, Grant Poole, Fred Juili, Erin Fuller, Geoffrey Cripe, Marcy Colclough

Kenneth Nesbitt – Review of July’s meeting and preliminary minutes.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Matt Meersman - handouts provided, net income of \$2,658.20 and total assets of \$10,287.67. TRC received a donation of \$500 from the John Woolham Foundation.

**Motion** by Nancy Edwards, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Howe to approve Treasurer’s Report, all in favor

**Paddle Events:** Kenneth Nesbitt- Black River Habitat Tour – August 13th and Paddle and Camp August 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. Suggestions were made for possible outreach by TRC to paddle groups in efforts to highlight the Black and Paw Paw Rivers; i.e., paddle races and flotilla’s.

Discussion was heard addressing the Jeff Mitchell Midpoint Park Project and TRC possibly donating to the dedication for Jeff’s environmental work and dedication.

**Motion** by Tom Howe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt Meersman for TRC to donate \$500 to support the Jeff Mitchell Midpoint Park Project, all in favor

**Payments for Ecosystem Services in the Paw Paw River Watershed,** Marcy Colclough – The focus of the project will be sediment reduction in the Pine & Mill Creek’s and the Mud Lake drain. Payments for BMP’s related sediment reduction will be made totaling \$350,000. Project management and oversight provided by the Southwest Michigan Planning Commission.

**Septic Systems:** Tom Howe – PowerPoint presentation for point of sale inspections and awareness is ready for meetings and public events. Review of presentation will be made by TRC board at September’s board meeting.

**Annual Meeting** – Possible Presentations: Invasive Species, Shawn Howard; Barry/Eaton County Health Department, Septic Inspection Study; Paw Paw and Black River History

**Announcements, Suggestions, Comments:**

August 25th-27th – Paddle & Camp the Paw Paw – Middle Paw Paw River  
September 10th – Paddle the Paw Paw – Lower Paw Paw River  
December 14<sup>th</sup> – TRC Annual Meeting

Respectfully submitted by, Joe Parman, Secretary