



**TWO RIVERS COALITION
May 9, 2012 BOARD MEETING
Geneva Township Hall**

Call to order: 7:16 p.m.

Attendees: Dave Foerster, Joe Parman, Kenneth Nesbitt, Sam Ewbank, Grant Poole, Joe von Wahlde, Frank Jurenka, Erin Fuller, Matt Meersman, Marcy Colclough

Motion by Sam Ewbank to approve March 14, 2012 minutes, all in favor

April 11, 2012 Agenda approved

Treasurer's Report – Kenneth Nesbitt - handouts provided, total assets at \$10,604.84

Motion by Sam Ewbank, seconded by Nancy Edwards to approve Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2012, all in favor

Water Quality Monitoring Grant – Black and Paw Paw River E. Coli Monitoring Project, Marcy Colclough – The Quality Assurance Plan is completed and will be submitted to the MDEQ. Hope College professor and grad students will be performing the water sample testing. Testing will start in July.

Black River Signage – Handout provided for Board to review the sign. Board approved sign with change in background, \$60.00 to date spent.

Fund Raising, Sam Ewbank – Foundry Hall Event: South Haven Harbor Fest after party, June 15th, 2012. License and bond for event will cost \$75 for TRC to sponsor.

Motion – Roll Call by Joe Parman, 2nd by Kenneth Nesbitt for Sam Ewbank to apply for liquor license and bond for the June 15, 2012 Foundry Hall Event, all in favor

Events, Dave Foerster – Dave presented Board with information on TRC possibly sponsoring a Texas Hold'em event through Charity Gaming, Kalamazoo Entertainment. This would be a four day event and TRC Board or Members would need to sign-up to sell chips and collect money. Charities sponsoring the event receive 50 percent of the profits. August times/dates are available and a \$50.00 per day State License would be required. Board tabled the action until Dave acquired more information.

Café Press Site, Sam Ewbank – Café Press Site would enable TRC to sell items such as coffee mugs or hats with the TRC logo on them for a small fee. Sam asked the Board to review the website and possible items to sell.

June 13, 2012 TRC meeting will be held at Lake Michigan College in South Haven. Guest speaker will be Scott Dierks, Cardno JFNew. The topic will be Green Infrastructure, Low Impact Development.



Jimmy F. New Grant, Joe von Wahlde - TRC received a \$500.00 grant from the Jimmy F. New Foundation. The grant will help TRC have guest speakers on environmental issues at quarterly Board meetings.

Paddle Events, Kenneth Nesbitt – Maple Lake Circle Paddle, July 22nd – volunteers and extra canoes/kayaks needed. Conservation Districts River Rescue will be held on August 4th.

Septic Systems, Tom Howe – Hand out provided – There were no proposals submitted from area colleges for the TRC septic/water well awareness videos. Tom received a price from Fulvew Productions for \$2,000 to create the video.

Motion by Joe Paman, 2nd by Kenneth Nesbitt to approve the proposal from Fulvew Productions for TRC's septic and water well awareness video for the amount of \$2,000, all in favor.

Time of Sale and Transfer (TOST) Ordinance - Frank Jurenka and Marcy Colclough are making connections with Berrien County in efforts to establish a TOST ordinance. Marcy Colclough and the Southwest Planning Commission are also working toward Tri-County ordinance/standards.

Paw Paw Library Interpretive Signs, Dave Foerster – The Paw Paw District Library has approved two signs for TRC to sponsor, Prairie Grass and Rain Gardens. Holland Sign Company is the approved vendor by the library and will be doing two signs for \$1200.

Motion by Frank Jurenka, 2nd by Kenneth Nesbitt to increase previous Board Motion for Paw Paw Library Interpretive signs by \$200, totaling \$1,200: Majority in favor with one decanting vote, Tome Howe

Motion by Dave Foerster, 2nd by Tome Howe to approve \$100 accommodation stipend for guest speaker at TRC's June 13, 2012 meeting, all in favor

Adjourned 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Joe Parman, Secretary