



**TWO RIVERS COALITION**  
**October 10, 2012 BOARD MEETING**  
**Geneva Township Hall**

**Call to order:** 7:08 p.m.

**Attendees:** Dave Foerster, Joe Parman, Kevin Haight, Kenneth Nesbitt, Sam Ewbank, Joe vonWahlde Grant Poole, Marcy Colclough

**Motion** by Dave Foerster to approve August 8, 2012 minutes as amended, all in favor

**Treasurer's Report** – Kenneth Nesbitt - Total assets at \$8,900

**Motion** by Sam Ewbank to approve Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2012, all in favor

**Fundraising** – Sam Ewbank – Foundry Hall Events – TRC Fundraisers

October 25<sup>th</sup> – South Haven Film Festival Opening Night Gala

October 26<sup>th</sup> – Featuring Bob Malone, dine at participating local restaurant and receive \$4.00 off event.

June 21<sup>st</sup> - Harbor Festival – Possible Celery Pond Advocates Fundraiser with TRC

**Community Connections** – Matt Meersman, Conservation District will be giving a presentation on October 16<sup>th</sup> to Harbor Commission on the Paw Paw/Black River Wetland Project.

**Annual Meeting** – December 12, 2012 – Van Buren Conference Center, Lawrence, MI

Presentations: Tom Springer, author and Matt Meersman, Van Buren Conservation District. Joe von Walde suggested \$100 stipened for guest speakers funded by grant money, no formal action at this time. Door prizes are needed for annual meeting event.

TRC Support Letter of Support – Dave Foerster - MDNRE Program, Healthy Waters Rural Pride Initiative to improve land preservation and water quality in Southwest Michigan. Julia Kirkwood is program director and is asking for TRC's support.

**Motion** by Kevin Haight, seconded by Kenneth Nesbitt to approve Dave Foerster to write a letter of support on behalf of TRC for the Healthy Waters Rural Pride Initiative

**New Business**

Conservation District Program - Great Lakes Commission Grant - A new program is being offered to increase the use of conservation practices to reduce sediment reaching local water bodies. Farmers within land in the Pine, Mill and Mud Lake Drain Watersheds can participate in this new program.

**Announcements, Suggestions, Comments:**

11-13 October – Van Buren CD Tire Recycling in Paw Paw  
20-October – Lincoln Elementary School Science Celebration  
26-October – Foundry Hall, Bob Malone – TRC fundraiser -  
13-December – Annual meeting

Adjourned 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Joe Parman, Secretary