



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

Board Meeting  
Geneva Twp. Hall  
Wed. Feb. 8, 2017 6:00 p.m.

### Revised Agenda

1. Call to order; Introductions; Agenda additions and/or corrections
2. Minutes of Regular Meeting Jan. 11 (Thank you Bette)– corrections/approval
3. Announcements, events, deadlines, etc.:
  - Feb 8- TRC meeting 6:00 p.m.
  - Feb 8- Ox Creek Stakeholders/Orchards Mall meeting 6:00 p.m.
  - Feb 16- BCCD annual meeting
  - Mar 8- VBCD Farming for the Future
  - Mar 15- Molly Rippke of DEQ on E. coli, 7:00 p.m. LMC-SH
  - March 20- Volunteer recognition event with VBCD
  - March 21- MSEF showing documentary film “Containment” at LMC-SH
  - May 7- VSMP macro collection event
  - May 18- PPR paddle followed by Community Pint Night at The Livery
  - July 21- Cardno Native Plant Nursery Open House/Field Trip
  - Dec 13- TRC 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting
4. Treasurer’s Report: Nesbitt
5. Old Business/Projects/Funded Grants:
  - A] Kevin attended CISMA mtg at SWMC on 1/26
  - B] Update from Colleen on Farming for the Future on March 8.
  - C] PPR/Ox Creek with SWMLC and SWMPC- 1] March speaker event w/BCCD still a possibility; wetland field day possibly in June
  - D] website changes to acknowledge in memoriam donations-update from Dave. Jim Scott Tribute on webpage- Joe?
  - E] Pine/Mill Creek 319 grant w/ VBCD- Update from Dave/Colleen re Septic Meeting?
  - F] VSMP- Spring collection Sunday May 7
  - G] ] Paw Paw River Water Trail (PPRWT) – Hagar Twp is requesting a letter of support for grant request for Twp park on river in Riverside. Presentations: Lawrence Village/Twp meeting 1/24, VB supervisors 2/23, Lawrence/other fire departments 3/2
6. New Business
  - A] Discuss whether to endorse Sierra Club resolution re Palisades
  - B] review proposed letter to Public Service Commission re Palisades
  - C] DEQ E. coli TMDL presentation on Wed Mar 15
  - D] Paw Paw Village 5 year rec plan, submit comments? VoPP asking for letter of support for grant proposal for universal launch on Maple Lake.
  - E] Fundraising: Community Pint Night at The Livery on Thur May 18. Also, maybe something with Arclight in summer after a paddle?

Still need to submit additional info to SOM to be qualified for raffle license.

  - F] Annual Meeting: date for 2017 confirmed w/ VBCC: Wednesday 12/13
  - G] Freshwater Future grants: \$500-\$3,500. Spring cycle deadline March 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - H] River Rally 2017 by River Network. May 8-11 at Amway Grand in GR. Member rate: \$449 or \$225/day (not including lodging).
  - I] Speakers: DEQ E. coli TMDL, Spring event w/ BCCD?, Wetland field day w/BCCD (Matt Meersman?), Palisades decommissioning issues?
  - J] Other projects? PJ Chmiel willing to work on art/logo for T-shirt design.
  - K] Nate Fuller organizing training session for Hemlock Woolly Adelgid-interest?