



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

Board Meeting Agenda  
Geneva Twp. Hall  
Tuesday Jan. 15, 2019 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to order; introductions; agenda additions and/or corrections.
2. Minutes of Dec. 18 Regular Meeting-corrections/approval.
3. Announcements, events, deadlines, etc.:
  - Thur Jan 24- "Flow in the St. Joe", Meersman and Martin, Niles Lib at 6:30
  - Fri Jan 25- Mary Robinson on "Climate Justice" at WMU Dalton Center 7p.m.
  - Sat Feb 16- Water Ways Closing Expo at Niles Lib 2-6 p.m.
  - Sat Feb 16- meeting of Palisades Citizens Advisory Board @ SH library
  - Tues Feb 19- next TRC mtg
  - Thur Feb 21- Berrien Conservation District Annual Meeting
  - Wed Mar 27- Volunteer Appreciation Night w/ VBCD
  - Sunday May 5- Macro collection, I.D. Monday May 6
  - Sat Sept 7- Mich Sea Grant/CISMA paddle workshop on AIS
4. Treasurer's Report: Nesbitt.
  - \*Note that we have now received check from Pete Boerma
5. Old Business:
  - A] Report from Pierman re: Sierra Club, BCCD, and/or MSEF
    - 1] Water pumping from Eagle and Crooked Lakes into Bass Lake
  - B] On-going grant projects: CISMA, PPR Riparian/Ox Creek, Mill/Pine Creeks 319.
    - CISMA:
      - 1) Aquatic Invasive Species paddle workshop date set Sat Sept 7(Graham Ave BH)
      - 2) Eagle Lake Assoc using biological treatment (native milfoil weevils) to address Eurasian Milfoil problem
      - 3) Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA) paddle survey on lower PPR
    - C] New grant projects: PPR/BR Watershed Management Plans Update, Ox Creek 319, FwF grant for E. coli testing
      - 1) E. coli project: Further discussion costs, findings, and next steps; Erin doing map
    - D] Non grant projects: VSMP, PPRWT, River Rescue
      - 1) PPRWT- East portion of VB County: PP Township voted to participate and pay their 1/3 for the segment from MLD to 40<sup>th</sup> St. IF Waverly Twp and PP Village also joined in. Village voted 4-3 not to participate. West portion of VB County: Hartford Twp, Hartford City, and Pokagon Band have approved. Waiting to hear from Lawrence Twp. and Village. West portion of Berrien Cty: Watervliet City has agreed per manager.
      - 2) Kevin to attend 100 Women Who Care on Jan. 16 to ask for their support of PPRWT.
    - E] Letter to WMU re David Karowe; thank you letters to silent auction donors; thank you letters to all 2018 TRC donors
    - F] PPR National Wild and Scenic River status- meeting being set up by Pokagon Band
6. New Business
  - A. Paw Paw River Poker Paddle fundraiser w/ Hartford Fire Dept
  - B. Possible meeting with Great Lakes Pilot Association and Gov. Whitmer (and TRC)?
  - C. Concern by B/SH HWTA member that tree clearing is changing hydrology?
  - D. Elect new officers for 2019; fill 2 board vacancies.
7. Speakers/Events/Projects in 2019
  - Ryan Postema of COL; Patrick Ertel of MDNR; guy from S. Bend re storm drain
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