

Board Meeting
Geneva Twp. Hall
Wed. Oct. 11, 2017

MINUTES

Present: Paul V., Dave F., Grant P., Bette P., Colleen F., Sam E., Kevin H.

- 1. Called to order 6:05 p.m.**
- 2. Minutes of Regular Meeting Sept. 13 approved (motion by Paul, support by Dave).**
- 3. Announcements, events, deadlines, etc.:**
 - Oct 14- joint paddle on Black River w/ SWMLC and B/SHHWTA**
 - Oct. 17- Dr. Ann St. Amand, "toxic algae and our water", VBCC 7:00 p.m.**
 - Nov. 8- next TRC meeting**
 - Dec. 13- TRC 9th Annual Meeting**
- 4. Treasurer's Report: No formal report as Kenneth N. unable to attend.**
- 5. Old Business/Projects/Funded Grants:**
 - A] Discussion of E. coli monitoring results which were generally high in both watersheds and for both wet and dry sampling events. General agreement to share results with appropriate entities such as City of S. Haven. Also agreed to share with members at annual meeting. Will need to decide focus for next year's testing.**
 - B] Bette P. reported that Palisades will now apparently remain open until current license ends.**
 - C] Sam E. reported on T-shirts. Board will communicate w/ Sam to order color and size.**
 - D] Kevin H. reported on Paw Paw River Water Trail (PPRWT) status.**
 - E] Colleen reported on Pine/Mill Creek 319 grant.**
- 6. New Business**
 - A] VSMP- General agreement to having A.J. Brucks make a presentation to either board or members about data. Kevin to follow up.**
 - B] Discussed Black River Paddle plan/logistics on Oct. 14. Hike, lunch, paddle.**
 - C] Kevin reported that new Ox Creek grant support letter sent to Marcy Hamilton but no TRC inkind commitment.**
 - D] Discussion of proposed composting facility in Almena township. Colleen explained that maps at VBCD show "hayfields" are prior converted/tiled wetlands. Colleen confirmed that VBCD involved in a joint project w/ Cocoa Corp to attempt to quantify possible benefits of composted fertilizer but has nothing to do with special use permit being sought by Cocoa. General agreement to request MDEQ to do full public hearing if matter progresses.**
 - E] Kevin to talk to Sinclair Graphics re: printing more of old rack cards while we design new one.**
 - F] Dave agreed to update master list with new names/info recently received.**
 - G] Kevin to work on thank you letters/receipts for 2017**
 - H] Discussion re 9th Annual meeting on Dec. 13. Same format as previous years. Brian Dayson of Pokagon Band is speaker. Bette has updated letter to give to donors of items for silent auction.**

Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m.