



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

Board Meeting

Geneva Twp. Hall

Wed. Sept. 13, 2017 6:00 p.m.

### **Agenda**

1. Call to order; introductions; agenda additions and/or corrections
2. Minutes of Regular Meeting Aug. 16– corrections/approval
3. Announcements, events, deadlines, etc.:
  - Sep 16- household chemical waste/latex paint/ recycling/tire pick up/ S. Haven 9-1
  - Sep-17- Van Buren4All Fall Bash at Camp Ronora- Kevin to take TRC display
  - Oct 1- Fall macro VSMP event, identification on Oct 2.
  - Oct. 11-next TRC mtg
  - 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.
  - Dec. 13- TRC 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting
4. Treasurer’s Report: Kenneth N.
5. Old Business/Projects/Funded Grants:
  - A] E. coli monitoring- Discuss results from 9/8/17 sampling on BR and PPR; repeat samples should be 72 hours after a rain event
  - B] Report from Bette P. re Sierra Club, BCCD, or MSEF issues of which we should be aware
  - C] Sam re: T-shirt designs
  - D] Paw Paw River Water Trail (PPRWT) – Pathway opened on over 40 miles so far. Low water sweep completed on 4 out of 6 Beginner level segments. Stakeholder mtg Sept. 19.
  - E] Colleen report on Farm Field Day and Drain Tile management project at Red Arrow Dairy.
6. New Business
  - A] VSMP on Sunday Oct. 1-who can be a team leader? I.D. session on Monday Oct. 2. Grant P. available?
  - B] Black River Paddle plan/logistics on Oct. 14. Hike, lunch, paddle?
  - C] CISMA support letter
  - D] Speakers: Dr. St. Amand of Phycotech has agreed to speak 10/17 at VBCC re Toxic Algae and Our Water. Other potential topics in future: AJ Brucks re data from VSMP; Line 5 speaker/movie; MEANDERS project on Dowagiac River.
  - E] Annual meeting on Dec 13. Brian Dayson from Pokagon Band Language/Culture to speak. Propose same format as last year: Sign in. Dessert/mingle. Silent auction. Welcome/TRC update/year in review. Election of board members. Primary speaker. End of silent auction.