

**Approved  
Board of Director Minutes**

**Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed  
2017 Annual Membership Meeting Minutes**

***Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed Board Members are:***

<b><i>Kyle Bostwick</i></b> - Director	<b><i>Zygmunt Dworzecki</i></b> - Director	<b><i>Pete Frauson</i></b> - Treasurer
<b><i>Jim Hergott</i></b> - Director	<b><i>Taylor Hollis</i></b> – Director	<b><i>David Karpovich</i></b> – Director
<b><i>Elan Lipschitz</i></b> - Director	<b><i>Laura Ogar</i></b> -Vice-Chair	<b><i>Glenn Rowley</i></b> - Director
<b><i>Bill Wright</i></b> – Chair	<b><i>Dennis Zimmerman</i></b> - Secretary	

**April 3, 2017 – 1:15 p.m. to 3 p.m. - Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes**

Bay County Building -3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Personnel Conference Room  
515 Center Avenue Bay City, Michigan

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**Summary of Meeting's Action Items:**

- Submission and acceptance of March 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes
  - A Year in Review
  - Treasurer's Update
  - SPAC Update
  - AOC Coordinator Update
  - Election of Officers
  - The Year Ahead
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**Chair/Wright** convened the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Board Members present included: **Dworzecki, Frauson, Hergott, Hollis, Ogar, Wright and Zimmerman**. Also present were: **John Riley** – DEQ, **Warren Smith** – Member, **Mike Kelly** – WIN, **Jim Barcia** – Bay County Executive, **Michelle VanderHaar**, Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge, **Josh Leisen** – Huron Pines and **Jo Ellen Strieter**– Administrative Contractor

**Meeting Minutes:**

**Zimmerman made a motion to approve Annual Meeting Minutes from 2016.  
Second by Dworzecki; Motion carried without dissent.**

**Wright, Chair** mentioned A Year in Review (he has attached a report to add to the verbal report he provided).

**Zimmerman** provided us with a SPAC update which included lots of discussion on the possible loss of GLRI Funding. Measures have already been taken to educate and inform congress about the

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importance of the GLRI, not only environmentally, but also economically. Legislative officials did not seem concerned about GLRI funding with a substantial amount still going to AOC's.

**Kelly** – Some feel the GLRI funding wasn't always used for what it was intended.

**Hergott** – We need to be concerned about GLRI.

**Taylor** – Education and outreach were a huge part of the AOC Conference and it was more environmentally friendly.

**AOC Coordinator Report – Riley** Office of Great Lakes is in the middle of a 3-year program. We have funding for 1 more year. We are working on retrieving an old Duns # the Partnership had so that we can receive our grant funds directly. He believes that the PAC Support funding will continue. **Wright** – there is a DUNS # for the Partnership at the Bay City Hall address.

**Treasurer's Report – Frauson** submitted report with \$5,989.15 in the checking account as of March 31. The county has submitted payment of \$5,140 received from the PAC Grant.

**Motion by Zimmerman to accept the Treasurer's Report;**  
**Motion was second by Ogar. Motion carried without dissent**

**Keynote Speaker – Josh Leisen**, Watershed Project Manager with Huron Pines provided a power point on the projects they have going on in the Watershed (PowerPoint attached).

### **Election of Board to Two Year Terms**

The following Board members are at the end of their terms: **Wright, Rowley, Dworzecki, Bostwick** and **Lipschitz**. Demands of **Bostwick's** job have kept him from participating in Board meetings. He does not foresee this changing.

**Wright** proposed leaving one seat vacant at this time. Our By-Laws allow the Board to fill this seat later.

**Zimmerman made a motion to approve the Slate of Wright, Rowley, Dworzecki and Lipschitz for 2-year terms. Dworzecki seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.**

### **Election of Officers**

The following Board members currently serve as the Officers of the Partnership:

**Wright – Chair**  
**Ogar – Vice Chair**  
**Frauson - Treasurer**  
**Zimmerman – Secretary**

**Hergott** – proposed to keep Officers in place.

**Wright** – A call for any other nominations. None from the floor.

**Hergott made a motion to cast a unanimous vote for 4 officers. Dworzecki seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.**

The following Officers were elected to one-year terms.

**Wright - Chair**  
**Ogar - Vice Chair**  
**Frauson - Treasurer**  
**Zimmerman. - Secretary**

### **The Year Ahead**

Ongoing GLRI Funding amount requested of \$15,000. We will continue efforts to select Criteria for delisting BUI's. We plan to replace emailed "newsletters" with updates to information presented on our website, including references to upcoming events that relate to our mission. The Beach Closings Task Force will seek information to help identify sources of contamination.

### **Public Comment**

**Dworzecki** mentioned a recent article on Michigan being one of the state's people most preferred to live in. All the preferred states were Great Lakes States.

**VanderHarr** – Add Pamela Repp, Refuge Manager to email list. Fish and Wildlife will provide items for our agenda item Watershed Updates.

**Zimmerman moved, Ogar seconded, the motion was approved ending meeting at @ 3:00 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jo Ellen Strieter – Administrative Contractor

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