

**April 2018 Minutes**  
**Board of Director Minutes**  
**Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed**

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

**Taylor Brook** – Director

**Jim Hergott**- Director

**Laura Ogar**-Vice-Chair

**Dennis Zimmerman** - Secretary

**Zygmunt Dworzecki** - Director

**David Karpovich**– Director

**Glenn Rowley** – Director

**Pete Frauson**- Treasurer

**Elan Lipschitz** - Director

**Bill Wright** – Chair

**April 9, 2018 – 10:00 am to 12:00 pm - 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 5, 2018 Minutes
- Treasurer's Update
- SPAC Update
- AOC Coordinator Update
- Strieter to email draft of the unified criterion of the Beach Closing BUI Restoration Criteria to all Partnership Board Members
- Strieter to work with Future insurance and submit paperwork/payment for Director's and Officer's Liability Insurance
- Annual Meeting updates - Strieter to contact the Bay County Library System to reserve a conference room for our June 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting
- Proposed Saginaw Bay Technical Conference
- Wright to work on RFP on PAC Support Grant to DNR
- **Next Meeting Date May 7, 2018 from 10am – Noon at the Bay County Building 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Personnel Conference Room**

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**Wright convened** the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

Board Members present included: **Brook, Dworzecki, Hergott, Karpovich, Ogar, Rowley, Wright and Zimmerman**. Also present were: **John Riley** – DNR, **Warren Smith** – member and **Jo Ellen Strieter**– Administrative Contractor

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**Motion by Dworzecki** to approve the minutes of our Regular Board Meeting from March 5, 2018. **Motion seconded by Hergott. Motion carried without dissent.**

**Administrative Matters:**

**Treasurer's Report** submitted by **Frauson** by email (he was not available to attend) to the officers of the board of directors prior to the meeting included: Treasurer's update: The end of February bank balance was (end of March not in yet) \$6258.52. Financial activity in March included paying Jo Ellen and finally receiving the electronic funds transfer for activities from the end of last year that were covered by our current grant. This means we are electronically tied to the Michigan vendor system and we can anticipate quicker funds transfers in the future. **Motion**

by **Zimmerman** to accept the treasurer's report. **Motion seconded by Ogar. Motion carried without dissent.**

**SPAC** report by **Zimmerman**. Reminder that the next SPAC meeting is tentatively set in Frankenmuth for either the end of April or beginning of May. There have been some scheduling conflicts around the AOC Conference for May 16-17 in Sheboygan, WI. **Brooks and Zimmerman** will be attending the AOC Conference.

**AOC Coordinator Update – Riley**, Request for Proposals for the next grant year to pay for Partnership Administrative activities and supplies are due. **Riley** asked about Newsletters being produced by the Partnership and **Wright** confirmed that they were not put into last year's Grant request. **Wright** mentioned that the Partnership Website is providing information that may have been put into a newsletter in the past. **Smith** asked **Riley** how the transfer of the Office of the Great Lakes to the DNR is progressing and **Riley** responded that it is complete.

#### **Old Business-**

**Beach Closing BUI Restoration Criteria – Motion by Ogar** to accept the Beach Closings Criteria as submitted. **Motion seconded by Dworzecki**. After Discussion **Ogar** amended her motion to omit "for 3 consecutive years". All in favor to accept motion as amended. **Motion carried without dissent**. The Criteria as amended will be submitted to the DNR.

**Director's and Board Liability Insurance – Strieter** can submit, the Partnership Board approved this action at the March meeting.

**Donation Discussions – Dworzecki** suggested looking into a donation button for the Facebook page. That can be done if we have someplace to send it such as a PayPal account or website that accepts donations.

**The Annual Meeting** will be held on June 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am till 11:30, followed by a board meeting from 11:30 till 12:00 noon. **Strieter** was asked to see if we could get a conference room at the library. Annual Meeting Agenda items would include approval of the Annual Budget by the Board, announcement of any change in the dues schedule and Election of Directors. The Board meeting would primarily be for the election of Officers.

#### **New Business-**

##### **Proposed Saginaw Bay Technical Conference**

**Wright and Karpovich** shared discussions about a series of workshops that are being planned. Participants will leave with bullet points on what is known so far about Saginaw Bay. The committee working on this includes: Mike Kelly, Charlie Bauer and our own Ogar, Wright and Karpovich. It is proposed that 3 workshops be held in the next year which will provide input for the State of the Bay Conference to be held in 2019.

## PAC Support Grant

**Wright** submitted a discussion document about our current PAC Support Grant and activities. The new grant will cover July 1, 2018 – February 28, 2019. Discussion followed about what should be included in the new grant. Some suggestions included funding for administrative support and funding for source tracking analysis on frozen samples that violated Michigan's Water Quality Standards at targeted beaches in 2017. Additional suggestions on what should be included in the grant were; continued review of sampling results from Beach Guard, and a review of eutrophication and the current Delisting Guidelines to explore any suggestions for amended criteria. **Motion by Ogar** to apply for PAC Grant. **Motion seconded by Dworzecki.** After discussion it was decided that we have data to come up with sample costs and can complete the grant with information that we have. **Motion carried without dissent.**

**Taylor** offered to present at a future meeting on the Saginaw Bay Chippewa Indian Tribe's Source Tracking Study.

**Motion by Ogar** to adjourn the meeting at 12:08 pm. **Motion seconded by Zimmerman.**

Respectfully Submitted, Jo Ellen Strieter – Administrative Contractor

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