

Draft Minutes
Board of Director Minutes

Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed

Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed Board Members are:

Zygmunt Dworzecki - Director

Taylor Hollis – Director

Laura Ogar-Vice-Chair

Dennis Zimmerman - Secretary

Pete Frauson- Treasurer

David Karpovich– Director

Glenn Rowley – Director

Jim Hergott- Director

Elan Lipschitz - Director

Bill Wright – Chair

July 10, 2017 - 1 pm to 3:00 pm - Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes

Bay County Building -3rd Floor Personnel Conference Room

515 Center Avenue Bay City, Michigan

Summary of Meeting's Action Items:

- Submission and acceptance of June 2017 Minutes
 - Treasurer's Update
 - SPAC Update
 - AOC Coordinator Update
 - Beach Closing BUI Task Force Update
 - Prioritization & Planning Document
 - Watershed Activities
 - PAC Grant Application 2017-18
 - Next Meeting Date August 7, 2017
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Chair/Wright convened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Board Members present included: **Dworzecki, Frauson, Hergott, Hollis, Ogar, Rowley, Wright and Zimmerman.**

Also present were: **John Riley - DEQ** and **Jo Ellen Strieter**– Administrative Contractor

Motion by Zimmerman to approve the amended minutes of our Regular Board Meeting (note treasurer's report was corrected to remove balance for no balance was given) held June 5, 2017.

Motion seconded Dworzecki. Motion Carried without dissent.

Administrative Matters: -

Frauson gave the treasurer's report including recently paying a bill for the P.O. Box creating a balance of \$8,384.15

Zimmerman was not able to attend the SPAC meeting but John Riley did attend so Dennis asked him to share any information. **Riley** mentioned that there were not any significant

changes to report. The Legislative Update will be held in early October in Lansing. The board mentioned wanting to get a tabletop display to have at the Legislative Update. A sub-committee was appointed by **Wright** to put together a tabletop display for use at any upcoming events, Committee includes **Hergott, Hollis, Ogar and Strieter**. **Motion by Hergott** to approve a \$500 budget for the tabletop display project. **Motion seconded Zimmerman. Motion Carried without dissent.**

Riley gave AOC Coordinator Update. The end of the PAC Support period is 7/31/17 with the final report due the last day of August. A new grant should be in place by August 1, 2017. Statewide accounting is changing software in effect October 1. The grant reporting will change and Riley provided a handout of those changes.

Beach Closing BUI Task Force Update- The Task Force has a good draft on a BUI Removal Standard Criteria Statement. The Task Group will send out an email chain to make changes/additions and will recommend it be accepted by the board of directors for approval. **Motion by Hergott** to approve task force sending an email chain to complete the BUI Removal Standard Criteria Statement and then seek approval from the Board. **Motion seconded by Dworzecki. Motion Carried without dissent.**

Ogar sent an email to **Strasz** asking SVSU sample takers to fill in all Criteria in Beachguard. She will give us an update next month.

Hollis gave a presentation on the LaMP which is included below:

History, timeline, and general info:

- Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement (GLWQA) of 1987
- Lakewide Action and Management Plans (LAMPs) have been in existence since original GLWQA -- the update/renewal of Agreement in 2012 revised, updated and enhanced the concept
 - New LAMPs direct the lake partners to analyze current health of the lake, environmental issues/threats, future science and monitoring needs, actions planned to address high priority needs and concerns
 - Lake Superior was first to create a “new” LAMP – October 2016
 - LAMPs now produced on rotational basis
 - Each Great Lake to release new version every five years
- GLWQA identifies 9 General Objectives, (GOs) or agreed-upon services that the Great Lakes should provide.
- Examples:
 1. Be a source of safe, high-quality drinking water,
 2. Allow for unrestricted swimming and other recreational use, and
 3. Allow for unrestricted human consumption of the fish and wildlife
- GLWQA identifies 10 Annexes to address environmental issues related to the GOs.
- Examples:
 1. Climate change
 2. Chemicals of mutual concern
 3. Nutrients
- **Lake Huron’s LAMP nearing completion of the final draft, in preparation for public comment – expected be released summer/fall**

Chapter 1- 3:

- Introduction to history, people, value, use, physical characteristics of Lake Huron and defines approach/focus of the Plan
 - Uses integrated approach
- Identifies healthy watershed as critical component to healthy lake

Chapter 4:

- State of the Lake
- Organized by GO
- A status and trend is determined for each based on indications developed by extensive scientific research, reports from government agencies, universities, other organizations
- Info on each GO is analyzed, receives a score of “good,” “fair,” “poor” and a trend of “improving,” “unchanging,” “undetermined”
 - Score takes into account Lake Huron as a whole; some areas may experience different statuses and trends. These are noted in a table at the end of each section.
 - Saginaw Bay is its own area on these tables
- Identifies current threats that could impede the achievement of the GOs

Chapter 5:

- Lakewide Actions
- Organized by Annex
- Identifies opportunities for actions to improve low-performing areas, protect high quality areas as, described in “State of the Lake” section
- Sections conclude with “Activities that Everyone Can Take”

Chapters 6-7

- Summarizes priority science and monitoring needs and outreach and engagement

New Business: The Wayne State Much Study, Where People Meet the Muck study has been completed. There will be a debriefing at the Wirt Library. **Ogar** will check on extending an invitation to the board. She will let us know more details. The meeting date is August 17th and if possible, we should attend as a group.

Additional Business: Wright will not be at the August meeting and **Ogar** will chair the meeting. The board has decided to cancel the conference room for the August 7, 10 am-12 noon slot and will discuss keeping the room reservation for September through December.

Strieter will send out a Doodle Poll to see if there is a better meeting time and date for this board.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm with a **Motion made by Hergott with Motion seconded by Dworzecki**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo Ellen Strieter – Administrative Contractor

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