

Board of Directors
MEETING
KAWKAWLIN RIVER WATERSHED PROPERTY OWNERS
ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes, July 11, 2012

1. President Tim Banaszak called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
2. Roll Call: Tim Banaszak, Chris Fernandez, Joe Vogl (later), Julie Kleinau, Dave Bledsoe, Mike Darbee (later), Doug Horner, Tim Mark, Bob Rau, John Roszatycki, and Darryl Steiner were present. Jerome Bartkowiak, Ben Ramsay, and Jeff Staudacher were excused. Glenn Rowley was absent. Guests Kevin Wyzkiewicz (webmaster) and Amy Kimsel (member) were also present.
3. Secretary's report: The May and June board minutes were forwarded to the board members in advance of the meeting. No additions or corrections were proposed. Darryl moved to approve the minutes as submitted, John seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as submitted.
4. Treasurer's Report: Joe Vogl – On the Financial report there was quite a bit of new information since last report (everything entered after May 4th was new). Revenues included membership dues, River Journal Ad sponsors, river cleanup sponsors, golf tournament sponsors, and the Bangor Township Hall deposit refund from the annual membership meeting. Ad sponsors: Almost all have paid, but still waiting on Dive & Glide. Bedazzled is dropping out. Expenditures included Golf outing prizes, expenses for the golf tournament, river clean-up t-shirts, web site expenses (Carol), and our Bay Area Chamber of Commerce membership. Investment status – we are just under \$21K in total assets. Total 2012 members to date: 114. John moved to approve the financial report, Mike seconded the motion. The financial report was approved. The budget report was also reviewed. Most event expenses came out very close to the budget values.
5. Bills before the board: documented on financial report under Expenditures. Bob moved to approve payment of the bills over \$75, Mike seconded the motion. The bill payment was approved.
6. Old Business
 - a. New Website – Kevin Wyzkiewicz: Kevin showed the new website (kawkawlinriver.com), which replaces the old website at kawkawlinriver.net. Board member contact information will be included on the site. There is a form for people to become a member. The member database will be loaded as people sign up. A password will be needed to access the database to protect member privacy. Kevin will check into whether mailing labels can be generated from the database. Membership applicants will need to print out the form and mail it in with their payment. Some of the reference links are included, there are still a few more to include (snowmobile speed limit, no wake zone, etc). There is an interactive map view (uses Bing). There are no pictures right now as Kevin was unable to access the ones from the old website. Members can submit pictures for

the website in .jpg format – they will be left on the site indefinitely. E-mail Kevin with desired updates for the site. John moved to have Kevin do the research on what it would take to use Paypal for membership payments on the website. A proposal will be voted on at the next meeting. Darryl seconded the motion and it was approved. The budget for the current year will be posted on the page with the board minutes.

- b. Channel Markers – C&C (Checker) is building the lights. They are being built this week. Once the lights are here we can put them on our buoys and put a couple of them out with what we have out there now to fill in gaps. However, the ones installed presently (including barrels and poles) are working reasonably well.

7. New Business

- a. Tim began a discussion of how to get more board members involved in planning the major events. We need to start sooner since most events occur within a month of each other. There was a discussion of whether having targeted event committees vs. having all board members involved in all activities is the proper way to organize. Bob cited our historical experience with that approach. Tim Mark suggested we use the website to solicit help from membership on some of our larger activities – we could have sign up sheets right on the web site. Chris believes we should leverage our chamber membership more to promote our organization as an opportunity to solicit support for some of our activities. Jeff Staudacher is a board member there.
- b. August membership drive picnic – pig roast planned!! August 25th at John's. Starting around 4 pm. Newsletter cover will feature invite.
- c. Dave Bledsoe – (see e-mail) The University of Michigan is writing a grant to help us branch out. Dave brought a copy of a proposed grant. The total grant amount is \$8000, which includes a \$500 in-kind donation from the KRWPOA. The grant is to help us understand our capacity to use outreach, etc., and our capacity to apply for larger grants. The KRWPOA would administer the grant funds. There is a proposal for 4 meetings of all members to provide input. Dave requested each board member's input, with the information due back on July 19th. John moved for the board to accept the submitted grant proposal to move forward. The motion was approved.

8. Committee Chairperson's Reports

- a. Weed Control – Fish Kill: Bob Rau reported that last Saturday morning, following the scheduled weed treatment on Friday, several dead pike were observed in the river. Bob found 10 or 11 initially. Ray Van Goethem (from Aquatic Nuisance) and Bob spent several hours Saturday collecting dead pike. Ray also cleaned up dead pike on Sunday. The river water temperature was over 90 degrees F. It is unknown whether the weed treatment was the cause of the fish kill, or the water temperature, however the newspaper reported that there were several other sites with large die-offs of pike in warm water where no weed treatment occurred. Well over 100 fish were collected. It was a terrible tragedy. In the future to ensure additional stress on fish does not occur when the water is

very warm, weed treatments should be done when the water is cooler. In the past this treatment has been done in September, when the water is cooler, however, due to weed conditions the treatment was done earlier this year. Dying algae consumes oxygen content from the water, which is already low when the water is warm.

- b. Water Quality/E-Coli: no update.
 - c. Fun Activities: Thank-you notes for sponsors: Julie can write notes if needed, just provide her a list of sponsors. For the Poker Paddle Chris made up posters for the sponsors. The annual picnic was discussed earlier. There will be some attempt made to coordinate a dish to pass.
 - d. The River Cleanup was successful as was the Poker Paddle. A few public officials were in attendance. Several board members commended Chris on his efforts to organize and run the Poker Paddle, becoming one of our most successful events.
 - e. Newsletter – articles need to be ready by 1st of August and sent to Becky.
 - f. Amy Kimsel (member) attended the meeting and was introduced to the board. She would like to be more involved in activities, including the membership committee.
 - g. Website, The name now is a .com instead of .net. Looking into a Facebook (Chris will follow up on that one and will replace the one created earlier).
9. Next Board Meeting – No meeting in August. The next meeting is Wednesday, September 12th.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary - KRWPOA