



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING KAWKAWLIN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes, September 10, 2014

1. President Jeff Staudacher called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.
2. Roll Call: Jeff Staudacher, Joe Vogl, Julie Kleinau, Jerome Bartkowiak, Doug Horner, Connie Kudrow (7:45), Bob Rau, John Roszatycki, Darryl Steiner, and Paul Woods were present. Mike Darbee, Dave Bledsoe, Tim Mark, Ben Ramsay, and Glenn Rowley were excused.
3. Secretary's Report: The August board meeting minutes were sent out in advance of the meeting. There were no proposed additions or corrections. Darryl moved to approve the minutes, Doug seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.
4. Treasurer's Report: Joe Vogl – Revenues since the last meeting included golf outing revenue and the \$9000 Bay Community Foundation grant for the buoy tender motor. Expenses since the last meeting included golf outing expenses, newsletter mailing expenses, and some West Marine expenses for the buoy tender. Budget year to date updates: the golf outing final results show a profit of \$1800 or so, with some hole sponsor revenue yet to be collected. The final tally may be up to \$2000 - \$2500 or so once collections are done. John moved to approve the financial report, Doug seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was unanimously approved.
5. Bills Before the Board: There is a Castaway's bill for meat for the golf outing of \$212. It was proposed to add \$65 for tips for the Castaway's workers out of the 50/50 proceeds from the event. John moved to approve the proposal to provide the tip which was seconded by Jerome. This motion was unanimously approved. Additional bills included \$272.07 for golf outing expenses plus another \$37.48 for the bagels and signs (Doug). The primary bill to be approved was to provide \$6681 to Bangor Township to purchase the buoy tender motor from Linwood marina. We will allow Bangor Township to make the purchase for us to get the government pricing. Linwood Marina had the low bid at approximately \$1200 cheaper than Pier 7, which at last month's meeting looked like best quote. John moved to approve the bills before the board, Bob seconded the motion. Payment of the bills was unanimously approved.
6. Committees:
 - a. Environmental
 - i. Weed Control – Jerome reported that the river was treated for Eurasian milfoil a couple of weeks ago. The lily pad treatment, phragmites treatment, and purple loosestrife treatment was completed on the two lagoons this past week.
 - ii. River Restoration – John: there are no updates on dredging project schedule. Russ Beaubien projected that there will be \$600,000 left after completion of Phase I to apply to Phase II.

- iii. Water Quality – Darryl reported that the e-coli results from earlier in the season were finally posted, but there have been no new postings since July. It has not been a good year for e-coli contamination, with several high readings. The point source has not been identified yet – there is some DNA testing to be done. The working theory is that the main source is storm drain runoff along State Park Drive and the other storm drain access points.
 - iv. River Clean Up – no update.
 - b. Government – no update.
 - c. Safety
 - i. Buoy Tender Motor – The Safety committee selected Linwood Marina as the supplier for the buoy tender motor as discussed above. They quoted the lowest price (significantly), and have provided good service. Darryl tried to get the registration and title for the buoy tender, but he needs a letter from the IRS with our new association name stating that we are a non-profit organization. We will acquire some coast guard approved life jackets for the vessel. When the vessel is in use all passengers will wear these. Joe brought up that we need to decide what type of insurance to get for the vessel (don't need to decide tonight). Joe will get some estimates and provide them to the board.
 - d. Education
 - i. Membership – Glenn provided a membership update via e-mail – We have 241 members representing 117 households.
 - ii. Fun: Golf Outing (Connie) Joe reported that the golf outing expenses have been fully paid and all revenues from the teams collected. Hole sponsor revenue is not fully collected yet. Connie and Joe will review the sponsor list offline and Joe can send invoices to people who haven't submitted their sponsorship amount yet. There was some discussion of how to handle the meal tickets in the future due to a lull in the food supply towards the tail end of people arriving. The putting competition for the MS Society of Bay County (special fundraiser) was successful - Joe will cut a check to forward the proceeds from Nick Roth to Connie to complete the donation. (Connie moved to give the proceeds from the putting competition to the MS society, Doug seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.) There is a Newsletter article coming on the event and thanking the golf outing sponsors. Kevin can post it on the website as well before newsletter comes out.
 - iii. History – no update.
 - iv. Newsletter Articles – next issue will be in November focusing on the 2015 membership drive.
 - v. Website/Facebook – Kevin will post information on the site when people send it to him. Julie will send him the new logo. The Facebook promotion of the golf outing was nice – we will do more of this in the future.
- 7. Old Business – None.
- 8. New Business –
 - a. Julie to make thank-you notes on card stock with logo.

- b. Grant Recommendations: John discussed the possibility of obtaining grants to help fund some of the association activities. For instance, Charlie Bauer suggested the KRWA could apply for a grant to help fund a cleanup of a problem ditch in the watershed. This ditch is thought to have items such as old tires and appliances in it. The way this would work is that a \$5000 grant would be obtained, and some funds would be used by KRWA to coordinate a cleanup and pay expenses, and would keep part of the grant as reimbursement for running the project. While John wasn't sure if we wanted to get involved in that specific project, it is the type of community service involvement that might be good exposure for our organization. Bob suggested that John get a letter from Charlie describing the specifics of the cleanup, and we can discuss further at the next board meeting whether we would like to pursue it. Other grants may be available, such as a GLRI \$750,000 one to help fund Phase II of the River Restoration project.
 - c. Connie suggested we consider setting up a scholarship fund for a local high school senior planning to pursue a field of study in environmental science (or similar field). This idea was well received by the board. Jeff suggested we discuss this in January when discussing our 2015 budget.
 - d. Paul suggested we consider purchasing the domain name krwa.com as it is presently available. Jeff suggested if we do that we keep both names and map them together. We will discuss more at the next meeting.
9. Next Board Meeting: October 8, 2014, at the Bangor Township Meeting Room.
10. Darryl moved to adjourn the meeting, Bob seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie A. Kleinau
Secretary - KRWA