

Board of Directors
MEETING
KAWKAWLIN RIVER WATERSHED PROPERTY OWNERS
ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes, November 7, 2012

1. President Tim Banaszak called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
2. Roll Call: Tim Banaszak, Chris Fernandez, Joe Vogl, Julie Kleinau, Jerome Bartkowiak, Dave Bledsoe, Mike Darbee, Doug Horner, Tim Mark, Bob Rau, John Roszatycki, Glenn Rowley, and Jeff Staudacher were present. Darryl Steiner was excused. Ben Ramsay was absent.
3. Secretary's report: The minutes from the September 12 board meeting were forwarded to the board in advance of tonight's meeting. No additions or corrections were proposed. A motion was made to approve the minutes as submitted which was seconded. The minutes were approved as submitted.
4. Treasurer's Report: Joe Vogl – Joe provided a brief summary of the report. Revenues since the last meeting included 3 additional membership dues payments. Expenditures primarily summarized the financial transactions approved at the previous board meeting and were also reflected on the budget report. Final 2012 budget numbers show the organization as being slightly below budget on both Income and Expenses. Total cash assets of all accounts total \$21,640.97. John moved to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted, Glenn seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was approved as submitted.
5. Bills before the board: none at this time > \$75.
6. Old Business
 - a. River Restoration Grant – There has been a fair amount of activity in this area – Dave Bledsoe provided a summary. There were two different grants submitted. Dave sent copies of the grants to board members before the meeting for their review. There was a brief discussion of grant highlights – the first grant included support for the septic system rehabilitation fund, conservation easements, filtration strips, cover crops, (due to worries about erosion due to wind more than flooding), UM Flint outreach campaign, and 20% is administration funding. (\$955K total grant monies, waiting for the contract to be signed by EPA). A decision on this first grant should be made public soon. The second grant for the Bay Area community foundation was not approved (\$7500 with \$500 in kind contribution from the KRWPOA). This grant may be rewritten specifically for the public outreach campaign (UM capacity building). Charlie Bauer and Mike Kelly may come to our next board meeting to discuss the details. Tim proposed we invite them to our next board meeting (in January 2013).

7. New Business

- a. Lake Michigan/Huron water level forecasts: Jerome has the latest lake level forecasts. The February forecast for Lakes Michigan/Huron is for 18" lower than last February. Right now we are 15" lower than last fall. We could potentially break the 1964 record for low water levels. Jerome proposed action be taken now to try to get a project approved for dredging the Kawkawlin River to the Corps of Engineers standards established in the 1960's. (relating to flood control) Flow from Lake Superior into Lakes Michigan/Huron is being limited as that lake level is regulated (international agreement). Tim will make some contacts to see how to start the process.
- b. Glenn located an outboard motor on Craigslist – someone will need to call and see if it has the throttle control feature needed. Dave reported that we need a different place to work on the boat. Right now it is in the back of Jack Morley's building.
- c. Tim Banaszak brought up that we need to accelerate looking for property to build our own building both for storing and working on the boat.

8. Committee Chairperson's Reports

- a. Membership – Glenn reported 126 paying members for 2012.
- b. Weed Control – no update.
- c. Water Quality/E-Coli -
- d. River Restoration – covered earlier.
- e. Safety - Channel markers – hoping to have them out by this coming Saturday. John Korpala has been out of town but should be back shortly.
- f. Fun Activities – The annual Ice Fire will be held in February if there is ice.
- g. River Cleanup – always the first Saturday in June
- h. History -
- i. Newsletter – next issue November. Articles due by Nov. 15th to Becky. Articles will be on great lakes water levels, volunteering opportunities, and a Dave Karpovich water quality update.
- j. Website – kawkawlinriver.com looking good!!
- k. Facebook

9. Next Board Meeting – January 9th, 2013.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie A. Kleinau
Secretary - KRWPOA