

Board of Directors
MEETING
KAWKAWLIN RIVER WATERSHED
ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes, January 15, 2014

1. President Jeff Staudacher called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.
2. Roll Call: Jeff Staudacher, Chris Fernandez, Joe Vogl, Julie Kleinau, Mike Darbee, Doug Horner, Tim Mark, Ben Ramsay, John Roszatycki, and Glenn Rowley were present. Jerome Bartkowiak, Dave Bledsoe, Connie Kudrow, and Darryl Steiner were excused. Bob Rau was absent.
3. Secretary's Report – The December board meeting minutes were forwarded in advance of the meeting. No additions or corrections were proposed. Tim moved to approve the minutes, Joe seconded the motion. The December board minutes were unanimously approved.
4. Treasurer's Report – Joe passed out the final 2013 Financial report. The only new expense added since the December financial report was the \$750 deposit on the new buoy tender trailer. John moved to approve the end of year 2013 Financial report, Glenn seconded the motion. The 2013 final Financial Report was unanimously approved. The final 2013 balance of all organization accounts was \$19,365.68. Joe then reviewed the first monthly report for 2014. Income included 34 membership fees. John moved to approve the January 2014 Financial Report, Tim seconded the motion. The January 2014 Financial report was unanimously approved.
5. Bills for Reimbursement – Several were submitted: \$332 for the December Newsletter, \$117.19 for the new envelopes for the 2014 membership mailing, \$132 Postage, \$75 Poker Paddle expense, \$142.20 for ice fire and membership letter stamps. John moved to approve the bills before the board, Tim seconded the motion. Reimbursement of the bills was unanimously approved.
6. Committee Reports –
 - a. Environmental:
 - i. Weed Control – No update
 - ii. River Restoration – John has been invited to the Farm Bureau breakfast. State Senator Mike Green will be there. John noted that farmers have concerns with backwater flooding; their fertilizer gets watered down and ends up in the river, so the farmers are supportive of the river restoration project. Any grants awarded for the project will likely be administrated by Bangor Township. John requested photos of ice damming during thaws on the river to use as evidence in the request for funding for the restoration project.
 - iii. Water Quality – no update
 - iv. River Clean Up – no update
 - b. Government – no update
 - c. Safety – Tim Mark - Speed limit signs are up. Deposit has been paid for buoy tender trailer. Still looking for a motor, Dave Bledsoe is planning to apply for a grant. Chris offered that we could approach Jeanne Place to help with the grant application if needed.

Tim mentioned we need to remove the Welcome sign before the ice breaks up in the spring, several board members offered to help. Tim is still waiting on the USCG permit for the buoys for 2014.

- d. Education
 - i. Membership – 180 membership drive envelopes were mailed. 111 were sent to dues paying members from past memberships, and 69 were sent to special event members from 2012. 34 have been returned so far resulting in 68 members (20% response rate).
 - ii. Fun Committee – Mike – Ice Fire, January 25th, 2-6 pm: The ice looks good for the event at roughly 12". It appears we have enough wood for the fire. Postcards were sent to invite the membership. Beer and finger foods will be provided.
 - iii. History – no update
 - iv. Newsletter – Joe reviewed the list of Newsletter sponsors to determine which sponsors need to be contacted for 2014 sponsorship (\$100 for the year). Chris mentioned that we could use a lot of photos, both of the river and of other locations. The next issue is the Annual Meeting invitation issue, with articles due in mid-March. The December 2013 issue was made of heavier stock paper, resulting in a higher newsletter weigh and if we continue to use this paper we will need to pay more postage. Chris is investigating prices for printing from several different suppliers, including the Bay-Arenac Skill Center and Horak's plus others. There was discussion of several potential businesses to approach as potential newsletter sponsors.
 - v. Website – no update.
 - e. Finance – discussed earlier.
7. Old Business
- a. By-Laws Confirmation: Darryl provided modified By-Laws in accordance with what was agreed to at the last board meeting. John moved to approve the amended By-Laws, Glenn seconded the motion. The By-Law revisions were approved unanimously.
8. New Business
- a. 2014 Budget Plan: Joe
 - i. Joe provided a worksheet to use for budget planning and the board proposed an Income and Expense budget for 2014.
 - ii. John moved to approve the 2014 budget, Chris seconded the motion. The 2014 budget plan was approved by the board. Joe will provide a printed copy of the approved budget for the next board meeting.
 - b. John passed out flyers he was given at Castaway's earlier in the evening for the Tri-City Parrot Head Club membership (not an official association function, just for general interest).
 - c. Julie will send out an updated Board Member information sheet with committee name updates to align to the committee names in the revised By-Laws. Board members should review this list and reply to Julie with any corrections or desired changes.
9. Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, Feb 12th at 7 pm in the Bangor Township Meeting Room.

10. John moved to adjourn the meeting, Joe seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie A. Kleinau
Secretary - KRWA