

**Minutes of the Blanchard River Watershed Partnership
Executive Committee meeting
March 19, 2014, at Hancock County Engineer's meeting room, Findlay, OH.**

Present: T. Brugeman, B. Connour, P. Martin, T. Allen, and Dick Kozlowski

Everyone convened and the meeting was called to order at 4:00 by T. Brugeman

- Coordinator's update - P. Martin
 - P. Martin provided the group with some polo shirts that were for sale. The price is \$22 for S-XL and \$25 for XXL
 - He spoke about Nashville Hitmakers and how if we are going to do it we need to get busy and talk to them and others about the process.
 - He said if there is enough interest we will get a committee together. Martin agreed to email the BOD for volunteers for the committee.
 - He went through all of the active grants with the group, detailed information was provided on a handout.
 - He said we need to start meeting with county commissioners and others to renew our funding from each agency.
 - D. Kozlowski said that we should ask for 50% more than we received last year and look other places as well.
 - It was stated that we have not approached Hardin or Allen counties.
 - He gave the group updates on the A&R marketing plan and talked about his discussions with the billboard company Lammers and Lamar. The details of the discussions were on the meeting agenda.
 - The group discussed it and decided to proceed as outlined in the agenda.
 - After discussion the group decided that most promotional items are a waste of money that could be better spent elsewhere.
 - He told the group that we have 19 hole sponsors for the golf scramble and that all signs would be printed by Friday, May 23rd at noon.
 - He stated that he had spoken D. Croy and the Ottawa Township trustees in Putnam County about a bank restoration.
 - He told the group that he would attending several meetings as shown on the agenda.

- Financial report-D. Kozlowski
 - He explained how the statements are laid out and how everything is managed by him and Ridge and Associates.
 - Discussions were had about how we overspent the EDF account but that the expenses were covered by the general fund.
 - He said a general ledger error has occurred as some 2012 expenses came from the general fund instead of the EDF grant.
 - Discussions were had about finances and how we must get more funding or we will be looking at a greatly reduced operation.

- Evaluation of P. Martin
 - T. Brugeman said that there are no problems or concerns other than funding for the future.
 - Everyone agreed that Phil is doing well.

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:58pm