

**Minutes of the Blanchard River Watershed Partnership  
Board of Directors Meeting, Oakwoods Opening  
October 21, 2015, Findlay, OH**

T. Brugeman presiding, Bob Connour recording.

Present: T. Brugeman, B. Connour, P. Martin, T. Allen, D. Kozlowski, T. Macke, B. Antibus, E. Reynolds

Everyone convened and the meeting was called to order at 5:04 by T. Brugeman

B. Antibus motioned to approve the previous minutes and T. Allen seconded. It passed unanimously.

### **Financial Report**

- T. Macke distributed a handout with a very detailed breakdown of all funds and went through them with the group. Discussions were had about the balance sheets. B. Antibus motioned to approve the financial report and D. Kozlowski seconded. It passed unanimously.
- T. Allen motioned to make a payment to P. Martin for a mileage reimbursement. B. Antibus seconded and it passed unanimously.
- T. Brugeman led a discussion focusing on what could we operate on if forced to go “bare bones”.
- T. Macke said he will call a meeting to discuss next year’s budget.

### **Coordinator’s Report**

- P. Martin presented a handout and went through it with the group.
- P. Martin discussed potential grants and filled everyone in on the Village of Houcktown project. Not enough surveys were returned to proceed so he will be talking to the township trustees.
- We have gained 6 more barrels than last year in the rain barrel contest, but we need more sponsors.
- P. Martin asked for approval of the contracts with farmers who have enrolled in the cover crops WS03-12-11 grant. T. Allen motioned to approve and D. Kozlowski seconded. It passed unanimously.
- B. Connour motioned to approve a contract number WS05-14-11 with Richard Badertsher to enroll in cover crops. T. Macke seconded and it passed unanimously.

### **Old Business**

- Discussions were had about the annual meeting.
  - P. Martin went through who the speakers will be.
  - T. Brugeman went through the agenda and each item was discussed.

- Discussions were had about awards, especially the “Friend of the River” Award and “Coordinator’s Award.” After some discussion it was decided to give the “Friend of the River” Award to Legacy Farmers Cooperative and the “Coordinator’s Award” to Vaun Wickerham.
- T. Allen motioned to approve a Project Proposal 2015-12 to encumber \$400 for the annual meeting. J. McCleary seconded and it passed unanimously.

### **Board Governance update**

- J. McCleary, T. Allen and E. Reynolds filled the group in on what the committee has been doing with the Board Governance
- E. Reynolds directed everyone to the notes from the meeting with Aly Sterling. She has given us several ideas, which are all outlined in a handout.
- The group will be having discussions about formal job descriptions and formal committee descriptions.
- J. McCleary went through the results of the evaluations the group asked the Board of Directors to fill out.
- Discussions were had about the 4 main topics.

### **New business**

- The December social meeting will be Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 at J. McCleary’s home. Spouses are invited and everyone is asked to RSVP 1 or 2.
- T. Allen asked everyone to have ideas for projects in their areas of the watershed in preparation for the January planning meeting. She also asked everyone to come with some ideas for funding and fundraising.
- P. Martin, T. Allen, and E. Reynolds stated that we need to limit who is an administrator on our Facebook page.
- T. Brugeman asked E. Reynolds if she was still monitoring our website.

T. Macke motioned to adjourn and J. McCleary seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.