

**Minutes of the Blanchard River Watershed Partnership
Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 - 8:00 pm.
Hancock Co. Engineer's Meeting room
July 12, 2017, Findlay, OH**

E. Reynolds presiding, Bob Connour recording.

Present: B. Connour, P. Martin, E. Reynolds, B. Antibus, C. Kirchner, G. Russell, D. Croy, T. Macke, D. Kozlowski

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm by E. Reynolds

Welcome/Introduction

- Reynolds told the group that she had a nametag made at a cost of \$15 if anyone was interested.
- Reynolds reviewed the June BOD Minutes. D. Kozlowski motioned to approve the June minutes and D. Croy seconded. It passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- T. Macke presented the financial documents and reviewed them with the group.
 - D. Kozlowski motioned to approve the report and B. Connour seconded. It passed unanimously.

Old Business

- **PayPal Account**
 - E. Reynolds informed the board the PayPal is set up and working on the webpage. She said that she is working on making it easier to use. It will eventually be set up so that when someone donates we get information about that person.
- **Amazon Smile**
 - E. Reynolds informed the board that we are now set up with Amazon Smile.
 - T. Macke said he is finalizing this setup with the bank, but when done anyone who registers with Amazon Smile will have .5% of their purchase donated to the BRWP.
- **River Clean-up with UF Freshman**
 - P. Martin said that we need at least 7 volunteers for the U of F river cleanup August 19th. It will run from 9am to 12 noon.

Committee Reports

- **Executive Committee**
 - E. Reynolds said that the Executive committee did not actually meet but they have had conversations with P. Martin about renewal of his contract.
 - Reynolds and Martin signed the contract. The contract covers the period from July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

- **Community Advisory Committee**
 - P. Martin reported the East-Central and Headwaters CAC meetings went well
 - Martin presented copies of the results for the board.
 - A discussion was had about what to do next and how to proceed with this. Martin said the committee would be meeting to pursue the next meeting.

- **Education Committee**
 - P. Martin said the education committee has decided to put on hold the educational program; however they are looking into putting some displays at the children's museum.
 - P. Martin stated that they also want to take all of the PowerPoint presentations and create a few new ones which can be targeted for specific audiences.

- **Stewardship Committee**
 - T. Macke said that the stewardship committee has not met but will do so on August 1st.

- **Board Governance**
 - There was nothing to report from the board governance committee.

- **Membership Committee**
 - D. Croy and B. Connour talked about what was discussed at the membership committee meeting.
 - The committee would like to run a membership drive at the annual meeting.
 - It was discussed that we should possibly do additional membership drives.
 - It was also discussed that a 5K "Run for the River" would be a good opportunity to raise some funds, create awareness, and get new members.

New Business

- **Stantec and Flood Mitigation**
 - E. Reynolds said that she went to a meeting where Stantec discussed several proposals for the river including removing the riffle dams. Discussions were had about this and whether or not the BRWP should have an opinion.

- **Website**
 - E. Reynolds talked about the website and drop box as she is concerned about losing and backing up materials.
 - NeoDox recommended drop box but it is now full.
 - Discussions were had about this issue as well as having NeoDox as our web host. It was discussed whether or not we should stay with NeoDox.

- **Main Sponsor renews**
 - E. Reynolds said that she is asking the stewardship committee to take care of contacting organizations about renewing their support for the BRWP, and discussions were had about this.

- **Ohio Odonata Society**
 - P. Martin reported that S. Myers has inquired if we would like to have a display at next year's Ohio Odonata Society meeting in Findlay.
 - The consensus was that we should.

Coordinators Report

- P. Martin presented a handout and went through it with the group.
 - He stated that the macroinvertebrate haven't gotten done because the river is too high.

Other Business

- **Annual meeting**
 - After a short discussion it was decided to hold the Annual Meeting Wednesday, November 8th, at 7am.
- **T-Shirts**
 - Martin said that silk screening is \$100-\$120 to set up and that it is good for 2 years. Martin mentioned that it would cost \$10 - \$15 to silk screen each shirt.
- **August Board of Director's meeting**
 - It was decided to have an August social meeting on Thursday August 10th at the Gilboa winery from 6-8pm.
- **Other Item**
 - E. Reynolds mentioned that the committees need to start taking minutes when they meet and getting them to P. Martin.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm