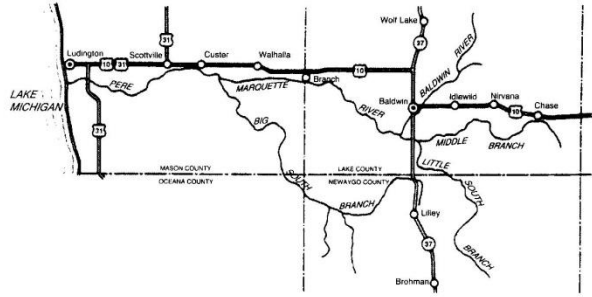


Pere Marquette Watershed Council, Inc.

P.O. Box 212, Baldwin, Michigan 49304



Board of Directors' Meeting 10:00 A.M. December 2, 2017 Lake-Osceola State Bank, Baldwin, MI Meeting Minutes

Administrative

1. Meeting was called to order by President, Paul Bigford at 10:03 a.m.
2. Attendance: Jay Barnhart, Paul Bigford, Jim Bos, Jeff Carpenter, Dave Gabrielson, Marv Hanna, Michael Hoag, Scott Lachniet, Tom Seroczynski, Mark Raven, Chuck Turk
Excused: Mike Batcke, John Karakashian, Grant Snider
Absent:
Guests: No guests attended
3. Minutes of the November 4, 2017 meeting of the PMWC. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Chuck Turk and seconded by Tom Seroczynski – minutes were approved.
4. President's Notices:
 - A. Welcome Guest:
 - B. There were no president notices
 - C. Dates for the 2018 C4C and banquet were confirmed. The C4C will take place Friday July 13, 2018 and the banquet and auction will take place Saturday July 14, 2018 at the AmVet Club in Baldwin, MI.

Old Business

5. Financial Integrity:
 - A. There was no treasurer's report ending November 30, 2017. However, it was noted that the PMWC investment account had a 12.3% return on investment for the first three quarters.
 - B.
 - C.
6. Watershed Restoration/ River Management:
 - A. Restoration Committee:
 - The committee was scheduled to meet December 5, 2017 at 10 am at the Lake-Osceola State Bank but the meeting has been postponed until January 2018.
 - B. PMWC project planning document
 - PMWC project planning and progress summary.
 - Current Active projects
 - River Improvement Projects
 - Railroad Erosion site –Paul Kogelshatz from the CRA is working with Peter Neithercut and the Flint Rainbow Club to determine who is the best party to manage the engineering contracts. He is also working with Eric Keller of Senator Peters office to schedule a tour of the erosion site.
 - Policy, Legal, Engineering, and Management
 - The Big Star Lake drain was discussed. Tom Seroczynski contacted the Michigan DNR and DEQ and found that they have no record at the DEQ of any permitting of

the original drain in the late 80's. Neither do they have any record of permitting for the recent modifications. The Board is exploring the possibility of asking TU to help in getting answers regarding how the drain was allowed to be installed. The Board will also review the temperature monitoring data collected from the PM above and below Danaher Creek to see if the data show a warming effect on the river due to Danaher Creek inflow.

- Future Projects
 - River Improvement Projects
 - Policy, Legal, Engineering, and Management

C. Natural Rivers Zoning Review Board – The board is scheduled to meet December 18, 2017 at the Baldwin Business Center at 4:30 pm to discuss a proposal for a new septic system. The Ochs family is requesting a variance to replace an old septic tank with a new one and to replace an old drain well with a new raised drain field. The old system is 40 feet from the river and the new system would be in the same location.

D. River Interns – No new information

7. Communication and Information

A. The next issue of the Mainstream newsletter is being composed. A request was made for contributions and/or suggestions..

8. Public Comment: The Board was saddened to learn of the death of Lu Schwikert. She had been suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

New Business

9. New business –

A.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 PM

Minutes submitted by Scott Lachniet, Acting Secretary

Schedule of meetings for 2018

January, 2018 – no meeting

February 3, 2018

March 3, 2018

April 7, 2018

May 5, 2018

June 2, 2018

July – no meeting – meeting to elect Board members will be held during the banquet on the 14th

August 4, 2018

September 8, 2018 – Labor Day is Monday the 3rd so to avoid the weekend conflict meet on the 8th

October 6, 2018

November 3, 2018

December 1, 2018