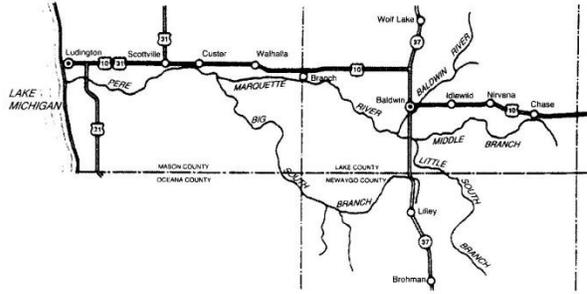


Pere Marquette Watershed Council, Inc.

P.O. Box 212, Baldwin, Michigan 49304



Board of Directors' Meeting 7:00 P.M. July 15, 2017 AmVet Club, Baldwin, MI Meeting Minutes

Administrative

1. Meeting was called to order by President, Paul Bigford at 7:01 p.m.
2. Attendance: Jay Barnhart, Mike Batcke, Jim Bos, Paul Bigford, Jeff Carpenter, Dave Gabrielson, Michael Hoag, John Karakashian, Scott Lachniet, Mark Raven, Tom Seroczynski, Chuck Turk
Excused: Wayne Andersen, Marv Hanna
Absent:
Guests: Banquet attendees
3. President's Notices:
 - A. Welcome Guest: President Bigford welcomed everyone to the 47th annual banquet of the PMWC.
 - B. President Bigford gave a quick overview of the vast array of projects that the PMWC had been working on over the past year. He then focused on the biggest threat to the river which could be a train derailment at the PM River bank near the Flint Rainbow club. Banquet attendees were informed that the PMWC had been instrumental in obtaining the funds needed to do an engineering study to determine the best long-term remediation. However, we were having trouble with the railroad in getting their cooperation.
4. Public Comment – Auctioneer, Glen Blackwood, urged all conservationists in the room to take action to protect our natural resources and public lands from an erosion of the protection they have had from past years. He said that like the potential railroad danger to the PM River, once a resource is damaged or lost it may never recover.

New Business

4. New business –
 - A. Tom Seroczynski, vice president and chair of the nomination committee, took a moment to thanked all of the donors who provided items for the auction and auctioneer, Glen Blackwood, who has continually supported our work by donating his services.
 - B. Nominations for directors whose terms will end in 2020
 - Nominating committee candidates for consideration
 - Mike Batcke
 - Paul Bigford
 - Jeff Carpenter
 - Mike Hoag
 - Grant Snyder
 - Other Nominees
 - none

There were no additional nominees and a motion to close nominations and vote in favors of the nomination committee's recommendations was made by Jim Bos and seconded by Chuck Turk. Motion passed

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM

Next meeting will be held on August 5, 2017 at the Lake Osceola State Bank in Baldwin, MI at 10:00 am

Minutes submitted by Dave Gabrielson, Secretary

Remaining schedule of meetings for 2017:

August 5, 2017

September 9, 2017 – note that this is the second Saturday due to Labor Day being on the 4th

October 7, 2017

November 4, 2017

December 2, 2017