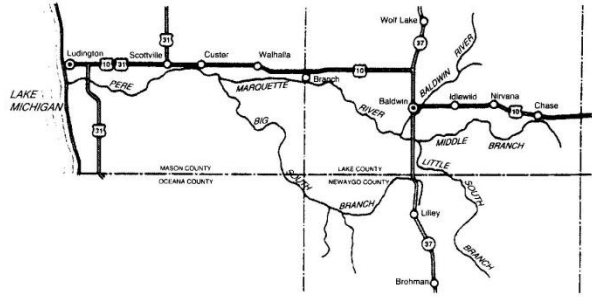


# Pere Marquette Watershed Council, Inc.

P.O. Box 212, Baldwin, Michigan 49304



## Board of Directors' Meeting 7:00 P.M. July 14, 2018 AmVet Club, Baldwin, MI Meeting Minutes

### Administrative

1. Meeting was called to order by President, Paul Bigford at 7:00 p.m.
2. Attendance: Jay Barnhart, Jim Bos, Paul Bigford, Jeff Carpenter, Dave Gabrielson, Michael Hoag, John Karakashian, Scott Lachniet, Mark Raven, Tom Seroczynski  
Excused: Mike Batcke, Marv Hanna, Chuck Turk  
Absent:  
Guests: Paul Kogelshatz from CRA, River Interns Andrew Boss and Michael Werth, Auctioneer Glen Blackwood, Banquet attendees
3. President's Notices:
  - A. Welcome Guest: President Bigford welcomed everyone to the 48<sup>th</sup> annual banquet of the PMWC.
  - B. The winning team for the C4C was Bill Moegren and Garry Olson who were guided by Kyle Hartman. Three 18 inch brown trout were landed to tie for largest fish caught,
  - C. President introduced the river interns who are working to encourage responsible behavior on the river.
  - D. President Bigford introduced Paul Kogelshatz from the CRA who gave the audience an overview and an update on the progress being made to remediate the rail road erosion site on the PM River near the Flint Rainbow club. The CRA has begun working with all interested parties on finishing the work needed to remediate the erosion site. Recently, with the help of funding from the PMWC, an engineering study has been completed that outlines three possible corrective measures. All partners in the project are being consulted to determine which proposal will be the final plan. Initial fundraising plans are being made to determine the strategy for raising the approximately \$250,000 needed for the final project. Once the final project is determined the necessary permits will be obtained and fund raising will be completed. Following these steps should allow for the project to commence quickly.
4. Public Comment – Auctioneer, Glen Blackwood, urged all conservationists in the room to take action to protect our natural resources. He said that like the potential railroad danger to the PM River, once a resource is damaged or lost it may never recover. He complimented the PMWC on its continued efforts to protect the river resource and encouraged all to assist in helping find the funds to remediate the erosion site.

### New Business

4. New business –
  - A. Tom Seroczynski, vice president and chair of the nomination committee, took a moment to thank 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 2021
    - Nominating committee candidates for consideration
      - Jim Bos
      - John Karakashian
      - Scott Lachniet
      - Mark Raven

- Troy Harrison
  - Other Nominees
    - none
- C. Nominations for a director whose term will end in 2020 to fill the vacancy due to a Board member resignation
- Nominating committee candidates for consideration
    - Ian Davison
  - 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 Jeff Carpenter. Motion passed**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM

**Next meeting will be held on August 4, 2017 at the Lake Osceola State Bank in Baldwin, MI at 10:00 am**

**Minutes submitted by Dave Gabrielson, Secretary**

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