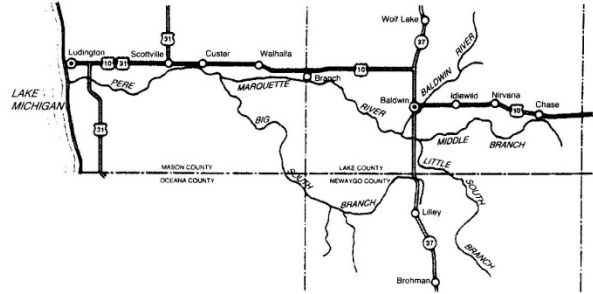


Pere Marquette Watershed Council, Inc.

P.O. Box 212, Baldwin, Michigan 49304



Board of Directors' Meeting 10:00 A.M. December 7th, 2019 Lake-Osceola State Bank, Baldwin, MI Meeting Minutes

Administrative

1. Meeting was called to order by President, Jim Bos at 10:00 a.m.

Attendance: Michael Hoag, Jim Bos, Dick Schwikert, Ian Davison, Jay Barnhart, Jeffrey Carpenter, Mark Raven, Tom Seroczynski, Mark Anderson.

Excused: John Karakashian, Scott Lachniet, Matt Jacobson, Mike Batcke, Paul Bigford, Marv Hanna, Jason Hackney.

Guests: None

3. The minutes of the November 2nd, 2019 Board of Directors' meetings were approved with corrections (Motion by Schwikert, seconded by Bigford).
4. President's Notices:
 - a. Jim Dexter the head of the fisheries division of DNR has agreed to be the speaker at the PMWC banquet in July 2020.
 - b. Jake Lubera the Forest Service District Ranger will attend the February 2020 meeting together with his assistant Dave Jaunese. Issue they will discuss include paving of Wingleton road, access road to Gleason's landing and the Lower Branch boat launch.
 - c. Kim Balke contacted Mr. Stevenson the owner of the fish hatchery and dam on the Baldwin river; he indicated a willingness to sell the property "for the right price"; discussion will continue.

Old Business

5. Financial Integrity:
 - a. Treasurer's Report: Very little change since the last report. A quiet month with one small donation and a \$2,500 grant from Fly Fishers International. Tom Seroczynski will a deposit to Amvets to secure the PMWC reservation for the annual banquet.

A motion to approve the treasurer's report (proposed by Seroczynski, seconded by Hogg) was passed.

6. Watershed Restoration/River Management:
 - A. RR erosion site update.
 - a. There is additional erosion at the upstream end of the railroad embankment. This should not increase the overall cost of the restoration project.
 - b. A decision on the Conservation Resource Alliance (CRA) grant proposal to Michigan DNR aquatic habit program is expected in April 2020.
 - B. Restoration Committee:
 - a. There were no meetings and no report.
 - C. Natural River Zoning Review Board:
 - a. Has received a proposal from Lynn Jekkals to reconstruct a boardwalk across a wetland to a platform deck at a property downstream of Gleason's Landing.
7. Communication & Information:
 - A. Mainstream Newsletter:
 - a. Jim Bos and Paul Bigford will discuss content after the New Year.

New Business

8. River Interns: Dave Jaunese of the Forest has submitted a proposal to REI to fund two additional summer interns (giving a total of 4); PMWC will be the official recipient of the funding (REI will not fund Federal agencies directly).
9. Director's Insurance: Tom Seroczynski discussed Directors Liability Insurance with Dean Raven the broker for PMWC insurance. He will review our policy and give us a quote if liability insurance isn't already covered in the current policy. CRA would prefer that PMWC hold the contract for the railroad bank stabilization project. The landowner would ordinarily hold the contract but the Flint Rainbow Club (FRC) has declined to do so. PMWC will discuss the contract with CRA close to the start of construction. If PMWC holds the contract additional insurance may be required.
10. PMTU. Their final Board meeting of the year is on December 10th. They have two pending erosion projects. Above the railroad trestle on the FRC property and at "Alligator Alley" above Gleason's landing on Rod and Gun Club property. These were delayed to avoid disturbing Rod and Gun Club members during deer season.

The meeting was adjourned at 11: AM

Next meeting will be held on February 1st, 2020 at the Lake Osceola State Bank in Baldwin, MI at 10:00 am

Minutes submitted by Ian Davison, Secretary

Remaining 2020 Meetings:

March 7th

April 4th

May 2nd

June 6th

July 11th Annual Banquet and meeting

August 1st

September 12th

October 3rd

November 7th

December 5th