



**INDIAN LAKE WATERSHED PROJECT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES
January 28, 2015**

The Indian Lake Watershed Project Board of Directors met January 28, 2015, at the Indian Lake State Park office, Lakeview, Ohio. President Don Eggenschwiller called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M.

The following members of the Board of Directors were present:

Don Eggenschwiller	President-elect
Dave Leiter	Secretary/Treasurer
Garis Pugh	Past President
Glenn Ammons	Member
Kevin Braig	Member
Kay Daugherty	Member
Sharon DeVault	Member
Frank Dietz	Member
Dave Helgeson	Member
Cliff Hoenie	Member
Frank Phelps	Member
Nancy Roellig	Member
Gabe Wickline	Member

The following individuals were also present:

Steve Terrill	Lake Resident
Dale Frymyer	Lake Resident/Real Estate Agent
Angie Szarugo	Lake Resident
Jim Reed	Owner-Spend-a-Day Marina
George Sholtis	Indian Lake State Park Manager
Vicky Boots	Executive Director

Spend-a-Day owner, Jim Reed, expressed his appreciation on behalf of the Sandy Beach Bridge Project, to the Indian Lake Watershed Project Board of Directors for their donation of \$1,000. The donation fulfilled the ILWP commitment from the proceeds from the 2014 Nashville Hitmakers Fund Raiser event.

Frank Dietz moved to accept the minutes of the November 19, 2014, meeting as mailed. Frank Phelps seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Garis Pugh moved the financial statement for the time period ending December 31, 2014, be approved as presented. Frank Dietz seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dave Helgeson moved the financial statement for the time period ending January 28, 2015, be approved as presented. Frank Dietz seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PAID BILLS**PRINTER LEASE/MAINTENANCE**

US Bancorp Equipment Finance – November	\$459.00
December	459.00

RENT

Logan SWCD – December	\$250.00
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MONITORING

Water Management Association of Ohio – HAB Monitoring 5 samples @ \$110/each	\$550.00
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MISCELLANEOUS

Ohio Secretary of State	\$ 50.00
Statutory Agent	\$25.00
Continued Existence	\$25.00

Citizens Federal-Bank Charge	\$ 20.00
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CURRENT BILLS**OFFICE SUPPLIES**

Cardmember Services (credit card)	\$661.58
Stamps.com – equipment	\$ 15.99
Postage	\$553.47
Staples – envelopes for membership mailing	\$ 61.96
Day-Timer – planner refill	\$ 32.16
Credit	(2.00)

RENT

Logan SWCD – January	\$ 250.00
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ORGANIZATIONAL DUES

Logan County Chamber of Commerce – 2015 (tabled from November meeting)	\$ 150.00
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Frank Phelps moved the bills for the time period be approved and paid as presented except the Logan County Chamber of Commerce dues renewal, which was tabled until a representative from the organization explains their benefits to ILWP. Garis Pugh seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FUND RAISER – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that she and Nashville Hitmakers Event Manager, Sandy Helgeson, contacted Tammy Allison, Mary Rutan Foundation, and Terry Haus, Heritage Cooperative, regarding potential sponsorships for the 2015 event. The next couple of months will be busy with personal contacts to past corporate sponsors as well as some new business possibilities. Board members get ready for a busy couple of months. The goal is to have enough corporate dollars to cover all expenses. All dollars collected from tickets sales is our profit!

OLD BUSINESS

STATE LINE ITEM FUNDING UPDATE – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that a letter was sent to Senators Keith Faber and Cliff Hite; Representatives Robert Sprague and Nino Vitale expressing the concern of the future of the Indian Lake Watershed Project in the event funding does not become available for administration of the organization. To date no acknowledgement has been received from any of the elected officials. The next step to address is a “personal visit” to the elected officials at the state house. The Administrative dollars expire at the end of 2015 with no future source unless the state produces some line item funds. Our only other source is our endowment funds which should be our LAST resort. Our organization’s future is in the hands of our elected officials. Board Member and current ILDC President Dave Helgeson reported that a letter from ILDC in support of the ILWP funding was sent to Sen. Keith Faber. Thank you ILDC for your continued support of our organization.

NEW BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 2014 EVALUATION – Past President Garis Pugh reported that he and ILWP Joint Board Chairman Frank Phelps performed the 2014 Evaluation of Executive Director Vicky Boots. Vicky received a “Very Good” rating in all categories. Based upon the results of the evaluation Garis recommended a 3% pay increase from \$16.26/hr. to \$16.75/hr. pending state funding approval. Frank Phelps seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2015 INDIAN LAKE BOAT SHOW – MARCH 6-8 – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that the 2015 Indian Lake Boat Show is just around the corner. ILWP will again have the project display at Spend-a-Day Marina. The display will focus on rain gardens/bioswales with the anticipation of the upcoming rain garden project along the State Park bike path. Dave Leiter will again graciously loan his rain barrel to be used in conjunction with the display. Vicky will develop a work schedule for the 3-day event. Board member participation will be greatly appreciated.

2015 NRCS/EQIP COVER CROP PROPOSAL – A Cover Crop Cost Share proposal has been submitted to Natural Resource Conservation Service to address the reduction of field erosion from the agriculture land with the use of cover crops. This reduction will greatly impact the sedimentation issue that we are dealing with at Indian Lake. It is estimated that nearly 6,000 tons of excess sediment is being delivered to the lake annually from the 178 miles of tributaries. With the use of cover crops during the winter months, the top soil will be protected from excessive runoff from snow melts and rain events. They will aid in the reduction of nutrient/pesticide runoff into the tributaries as well. Thus, reducing the source of nutrients in the lake which are a source of “food” for the toxic blue green algae. A win-win situation for Indian Lake water quality. The funding request was for \$90,000 each year for a 3 year period beginning in crop year 2015-2016. Updates will be provided as they become available.

POTENTIAL JOINT PROJECT WITH LOGAN SWCD/NRCS – Executive Director Vicky Boots met recently with representatives from Logan SWCD and NRCS regarding potential workshops addressing soil health, water quality and lawn care best management practices. Funding for these workshops would be provided through the Top of Ohio RC & D grant program. The next round of grant applications is due July, 2015. Vicky will be working with Logan SWCD and NRCS to develop a grant. This program will help provide funding for the upcoming rain garden project along the bike path at the State Park. More details will be provided as they become available.

2015 DOORS OF ENCOURAGEMENT – After much discussion Kay Daugherty moved that the ILWP submit the \$200 to the Logan County Cancer Society, Inc., as our “entry” fee for this year’s Doors of Encouragement. The ILWP will provide another door that will be auctioned at this year’s event. Artist Marilyn Reed will be contacted to provide her talents and design a door for us again this year. Proceeds from the auction provide assistance to Logan County residents that have been diagnosed with this terrible disease. Last year’s event provided over \$45,000 in assistance to those patients.

INDIAN LAKE CHAMBER LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON – Executive Director Vicky Boots will be attending the 2015 Indian Lake Area Chamber’s Legislative Luncheon that is scheduled for Friday, February 13th at the Indian Lake Moose. This event will provide another opportunity to get “up close and personal” with our elected officials. Board member participation is encouraged as well.

OHIO LAKE MANAGEMENT SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP – Frank Phelps moved the ILWP renew their membership with Ohio Lake Management Society for 2015 in the amount of \$85. Nancy Roellig seconded. Motion passed unanimously. OLMS is the organization responsible for aiding ILWP with the monitoring for the microcystin at the lake.

STATE PARK UPDATE – Indian Lake State Park Manager George Sholtis reported that the park is in “winter shut down mode”. The State Park’s budget is set for 2015. At the present time applications for seasonal help for maintenance, custodial and commissary help are being accepted. Individuals must be 18 years of age with a valid driver’s license.

- Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and ODNR-Division of Forestry will be working on removal of additional ash trees in the park that are located in “dangerous” areas along roads, etc.
- The new Maintenance facility behind the state park office is complete.
- State is focusing on dam maintenance
- Wildlife grant for boat ramp restroom improvement (painting & door replacements, lighting, entrance signs and landscaping) has been submitted
- Maintenance of Old Field Beach area picnic tables (painting)
- Capital Improvement Funds to focus on Shower houses
- The new marina project is moving forward. The main concern has been the embankment. Motel Project SLOWLY moving forward.

The next official ILWP Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 28, 2015, 9:30 A.M. at the Indian Lake State Park office.

Sharon DeVault moved the meeting be adjourned. Frank Dietz seconded. Motion passed unanimously.