



**INDIAN LAKE WATERSHED PROJECT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES
February 22, 2017**

The Indian Lake Watershed Project Board of Directors met February 22, 2017, at the Indian Lake Community Church Holy Grounds Room, Russells Point Ohio. President Sharon DeVault called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M.

The following members of the Board of Directors were present:

Sharon DeVault	President
Dave Leiter	Secretary/Treasurer
Jim Ellington	Past-President
Don Eggenschwiller	Member
Dave Helgeson	Member
Frank Phelps	Member
Nancy Roellig	Member
Charlie Strete	Member
Don Thompson	Member
Gabe Wickline	Member

The following individuals were also present:

Tom Grabow	ODNR Dredge Maintenance Supervisor
Ben Pile	ILWP Member/Resident
Jack Dunn	ILWP Member/Resident
Sandy Helgeson	Nashville Hitmakers Event Coordinator
Vicky Boots	Executive Director

Don Eggenschwiller moved to accept the minutes of the January 25, 2017, meeting as mailed. Dave Helgeson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Frank Phelps moved the financial statement for the time period ending February 22, 2017, be approved as presented. Gabe Wickline seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The list of bills was presented to board members for approval. Dave Leiter moved the list of bills for the time period be approved and paid. Dave Helgeson seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Motion passed unanimously.

CURRENT BILLS

MEMBERSHIP MAILINGS/POSTAGE

Cardmember Services –		\$ 65.99
Postage Meter	\$15.99	
USPS – postage	50.00	

OFFICE SUPPLIES

Cardmember Services – Envelopes – Staples \$ 34.98

PRINTER

US Bancorp Equipment Finance – \$ 766.67

Monthly Charge \$1,150.00

Logan SWCD reimbursement (383.33)

RENT

Logan SWCD – February \$ 250.00

COMMITTEE REPORTS

INDIAN LAKE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – ILWP Legislative Committee Representative Sharon DeVault reported that there was no new updates. Only general information was shared at the last Legislative Committee meeting.

WATERSHED ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE – President Sharon DeVault reported that the Watershed Action Plan Marketing Committee has no new information to share since the January 22nd ILWP Board Meeting. Sharon and Executive Director Vicky Boots will be meeting Thursday, March 9th, to develop a strategy for legislative contacts to present our case for the FY 2017 Ohio State Biennium Budget request. Executive Director Vicky Boots spoke with Rep. Nino Vitale and Sen. Matt Huffman at the Indian Lake Legislative Luncheon held February 10th. Both indicated the ILWP had their support for the funding request and would be talking with other key legislators on our behalf.

NASHVILLE HITMAKERS UPDATE – Nashville Hitmakers Event Coordinator Sandy Helgeson reported that the 2017 NHM lineup has been decided. Attending this year will be 2, yes 2 great ladies – Lari White and Kylie Sackley. Along with them will be Chuck Cannon, Shawn Camp as well as crowd-pleasing favorites Mike Loudermilk and bass guitarist Spady Brannen. Of course Even Stevens will be the REAL headliner as he has been the past 5 years. Another great lineup that will certainly provide another evening of great stories, fun entertainment and music to tap your feet to!! Mark your calendars because the date has changed to Saturday, August 19th, same time (7:00 P.M.), same location (Indian Lake High School Auditorium).

OLD BUSINESS

STATE FUNDING/LEGISLATOR “IDEAS” – The FY 2017 Biennium budget process is underway. Legislator contacts need to be made to get our budget request for the administrative funding inserted into this budget. After much discussion Frank Phelps reported that he will have the opportunity to speak with Rep. Clifford Rosenberger, Speaker of the House of Representatives, at some upcoming events. Rep. Dorothy Pelanda and Sen. Dave Burke were also suggested as important contacts. Vicky will be contact them to get their support of our venture.

2017 BOARD SHOW/ILWP DISPLAY SCHEDULE – Executive Director Vicky Boots circulated the ILWP Display Boat Show schedule to recruit board members to assist her with “manning” the display during the 3-day event. Thanks to all who volunteered to take a shift!

NEW BUSINESS

DREDGE UPDATE – Dredge Maintenance Supervisor Tom Grabow reported that the construction of the new Indian Lake dredge began the middle of February. Pioneer has been awarded the contract to construct the new fully hydraulic machine. A local company representative from Cleveland will keep Tom updated on its progress, which will simplify the process. Pioneer has promised weekly updates on the dredge progress. A project completion date of July 30th has been set. The new dredge will have a larger motor and will be more user friendly because of its hydraulic system as opposed to the computerized system of the “Chief”. Two new operators will be hired to run the dredge during the dredging season. ILWP Board will have the naming rights to the new dredge. The “name” must be decided by June 1st.

The repairs on the “Chief’s” hydraulics are 100% complete; while the water cooling system problems are 95% completed. Completion of all repairs is promised before the dredging season begins this spring.

Manchester Farms has verbally committed a 10 acre Dredge Material Relocation Area (DMRA) site in the area of State Route 117 and State Route 235. The site will be for relocation of material dredged from the North Fork area. Tom reassures that the wetlands in that area will NOT be touched!! The DMRA at the O’Connors site has an additional location next to it that can be utilized. The dredge crew is currently in the process of moving equipment to that site to begin site preparation. Another site at Chippewa is also currently being worked on.

Shoreline protection projects will be addressed this year with the allocation of \$1 million worth of rip rap for Lake Loramie, Grand Lake St. Marys and Indian Lake. Each lake will receive 1/3 of the funds designated for this project. Tom promised the “extra penny” to Indian Lake \$333,333.**34!!** One contractor will be awarded the contract to install the rip rap at all 3 lakes to simplify the project.

The next regularly scheduled ILWP Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2017, 9:30 A.M. at the Indian Lake School Board of Education Conference room, located at Indian Lake High School (same location as the January meeting).

Gabe Wickline moved the meeting be adjourned. Charlie Strete seconded. Motion passed unanimously.