



**INDIAN LAKE WATERSHED PROJECT BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES  
June 28, 2017**

The Indian Lake Watershed Project Board of Directors met June 28, 2017, at the Indian Lake State Park Campground's Multi-Purpose building. 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
Kay Daugherty	Member
Frank Dietz	Member
Jim Ellington	Member
Don Eggenschwiller	Member
Charlie Strete	Member
Steve Terrill	Member
Robert Underwood	
For Pat O'Donnell	Member

The following individuals were also present:

George Sholtis	Indian Lake State Park Manager
John Coleman	ILWP Member/Resident
Vicky Boots	Executive Director

Don Eggenschwiller moved to accept the minutes of the May 24, 2017, meeting as mailed. Kay Daugherty seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dave Leiter moved the financial statement for the time period ending June 28, 2017, be approved as presented. Frank Dietz seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The list of bills was presented to board members for approval. Don Eggenschwiller moved the list of bills for the time period be approved and paid. Charlie Strete seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**CURRENT BILLS**

**MEMBERSHIP MAILINGS/POSTAGE**

**Cardmember Services – postage meter** **\$ 15.99**

**PRINTER**

**US Bancorp Equipment Finance – June** **\$ 766.67**

Monthly Charge **\$1,150.00**

Logan SWCD reimbursement **(383.33)**

**RENT**

<b>Logan SWCD – June</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>
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**ATTENTION GETTERS**

<b>V-Teck Communications - 2017 WPKO Lake Guide Ad</b>	<b>\$ 515.47</b>
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<b>Bellefontaine Examiner – 2017 Memorial Day Tab</b>	<b>\$ 179.00</b>
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**MISCELLANEOUS**

<b>Dave Leiter – reimburse for supplies for additional</b>	<b>\$ 138.00</b>
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<b>Fishing line receptacles</b>	
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<b>Dave Leiter – reimburse Rain Barrel</b>	<b>\$79.00</b>	<b>\$ 99.00</b>
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<b>stand for 2018 Boat Show</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	
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**NASHVILLE HITMAKERS**

<b>V-Teck Communications – WPKO Lake Guide 2017 Ad</b>	<b>\$ 515.46</b>
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<b>Comstor Outdoor – 2017 Nashville Hitmakers Banners</b>	<b>\$ 970.00</b>
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<b>Bellefontaine Examiner – 2017 Memorial Day Tab</b>	<b>\$ 339.00</b>
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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

FUND RAISER – Nashville Hitmakers 2017 is just around the corner – August 19<sup>th</sup>! Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that the sponsorship campaign is winding down and ticket sales are underway. Posters have been received and are being distributed around the area along with concert flyers. Mimi’s Restaurant has made the decision not to host this year’s pre-show buffet dinner. The event will be held at the Indian Lake Community Church Lighthouse. Lee’s Chicken will be catering the meal. Final plans are being made for the Friday night corporate reception at Longview Cove. We are down to the “details” mode of the preparation/planning. We need “bodies” to help with this year’s event. Please ask Sandy or Vicky how you may assist with this fund raiser. We need everyone’s help to make this event another huge success!

BANQUET COMMITTEE – With the change in the Nashville Hitmakers date for this year, it was decided to move the ILWP Annual Meeting and Recognition Banquet into the fall. The date for this year will be, Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, at the Indian Lake Community Church Lighthouse. Invitations will be sent out in August to allow members ample time to respond.

INDIAN LAKE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – ILWP Legislative Committee Representative Sharon DeVault reported that there was no Legislative Committee meeting scheduled for June. The next meeting is scheduled for July 18<sup>th</sup>.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Filling the vacancy for the 2017 President-elect position has been tabled until the July board meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

FLOATING TREATMENT WETLAND – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that she has been playing phone tag with Joel Therash, Cardno, Inc. representative, who provided assistance to Butler SWCD on their Floating Treatment Wetland project. Cardno, Inc., is a source for the other supplies that are needed to complete the project plus additional contacts and sources for the

suitable plant material for the project. Continued efforts will be made to make contact with Mr. Therash before the July meeting.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SEARCH UPDATE** – With the upcoming retirement of current Executive Director Vicky Boots, the search is underway for her replacement. The goal is to have someone hired by September to allow ample time for training and transition. The job posting has been advertised in the *Bellefontaine Examiner*, All-Ohio Soil and Water database that reaches all 88 counties in Ohio, as well as the All Ohio Watersheds database. Applications are to be received at the watershed office by close of business, Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. Applications will be reviewed by the Search Committee on Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 PM at Frank Dietz’s office and determine interview dates. Members of the Search Committee are Frank Dietz and Gabe Wickline, co-chairmen; Frank Phelps, Sharon DeVault, Jim Ellington and Steve Terrill.

**SECCHI DISK/HAB MONITORING TRAINING** – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that a Secchi Disk/HAB Monitoring Training session was held Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at Old Field Beach. Betty Lyle informed the board that she will be selling her property at Indian Lake and will no longer be able to fulfill her responsibilities as monitor. Therefore, to continue the program, it was necessary to conduct a monitoring training session. Four new individuals attended the training that was conducted by Susan James, Ohio Lake Management Society. Individuals were trained on secchi disk monitoring and Harmful Algal Bloom sampling techniques. Charlie and Patti Strete, Sharon DeVault and George Feltham were certified as Quality Data Control monitors and will receive a specific Citizens Lake Awareness Monitoring identification number. This will allow ILWP to continue our efforts to provide water clarity and harmful algal test results during the busy boating/swimming season to keep everyone up to date regarding the water quality levels of Indian Lake. Charlie and Patti will provide the Secchi Disk monitoring data. Sharon and George will be responsible for the Harmful Algal Bloom sampling at the public beaches (Old Field, State Park Campground and Fox Island). Samples will be mailed to the designated lab for testing. Results will be provided when they become available from the lab. It is planned to expand the HAB monitoring program to include chemical testing – i.e. nitrogen and phosphorus. George and Sharon will be conducting that portion of the monitoring. George has the applicable equipment to conduct that testing.

**RAIN GARDEN CLEAN-UP** – Board member Charlie Strete and “his crew” will be cleaning up the rain garden site following the ILWP Board meeting. Plans are to plant more wetland type plants at the location at a later date.

**FISHING LINE RECEPTACLES** – Board member Dave Leiter is in the process of constructing 4 additional Fishing Line receptacles that will be strategically placed at popular fishing locations around the lake. The current receptacles that are located at the boat ramps at Lakeview, Blackhawk and Moundwood have been used. Currently the receptacle at Moundwood has been used for an actual “trash” can – various interesting items other than fishing line have been among the fishing line. It was recommended that a contact be made with Garis Pugh, who is currently chairing this project, to see if he is interested in continuing his duties for the program or have someone else take over. Vicky will contact Garis and report in July.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**DOMINION WATERSHED MINI GRANT APPLICATION** – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that she is in the process of applying for a Dominion Watershed Mini Grant that is being offered through the nonprofit Western Reserve Land Conservancy. The mini grant is earmarked for Marketing, Promotions and Outreach Projects in the amount of \$1500. ILWP’s application

will focus on the funding for approximately 50 real estate type signs that will be strategically placed throughout the watershed area. With this campaign the goal will be to increase our visibility and be able to increase the project's memberships. In addition to the signage, brochures will be developed to distribute at the state park campground "Welcome Center" to visitors and campers as they enter the campground - another means of letting visitors know who is responsible for the water quality of Indian Lake – the Indian Lake Watershed Project.

**2017 TOP OF OHIO TOUR SPONSORSHIP** – 2017 is the year for the Biennial Top of Ohio Tour that will be held in the Southeastern quadrant of Logan County. The event will be held Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> for the general public with Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> for the School Day. The School Day will focus on 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders from Bellefontaine, Benjamin Logan, Indian Lake, Riverside and Calvary Christian schools. Approximately 1200 students are expected to attend. The tour will focus agriculture farms, conservation locations, and businesses in the area. In the past ILWP has been very involved with planning and being involved as a Stop Sponsor, which is \$500. Being a Stop Sponsor entitles the business to advertise in the tour brochure, be recognized in various news publications and displaying informational material at their featured stop. Don Eggenschwiller moved ILWP be a Stop Sponsor at the 2017 Top of Ohio Agriculture Tour in the amount of \$500. Dave Leiter seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**DREDGE UPDATE** – Tom Grabow, ODNR Dredge Maintenance Supervisor, reported the following:

- Debris clean-up continues from all the major rain events the area has experienced
- Moundwood channel completed
- Chippewa DMRA completed – currently being seeded
- Manchester Farms signed agreement for DMRA – 20 ac. on north side of lake – may purchase crops to get head start on project
- Weed harvester experiencing "issues" with computer/motor – contacting Aquarius Systems for replacement parts

**STATE PARK UPDATE** – State Park Manager George Sholtis reported the following:

- Pool opening Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> – 2PM
- Lifeguards hired
- State of the art pool system
- Nature Center/Office area to be finished in next couple weeks
- ILDC – playground at Blackhawk completed
- ILDC – Dog park dedicated and being used
- ILDC 16 x 20 picnic shelter to be constructed at Old Field by state park personnel
- Electrical system at Fox Island shelter house to be updated this summer
- Best crew since moved to Indian Lake – Rob excellent supervisor
- Dredge Program funded 100 new buoys

**UPCOMING EVENTS** –

- Post Office Open House – Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup>
- Republican Picnic – Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, location TBA

The next regularly scheduled ILWP Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 26, 2017, 9:30 A.M. at the Indian Lake State Park Multi-Purpose building located at the State Park Campground.

Charlie Strete moved the meeting be adjourned.