



INDIAN LAKE WATERSHED PROJECT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES
April 26, 2017

The Indian Lake Watershed Project Board of Directors met April 26, 2017, at the Indian Lake Schools' Board of Education Office, Lewistown, 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
Kay Daugherty	Member
Jim Ellington	Member
Don Eggenschwiller	Member
Dave Helgeson	Member
Nancy Roellig	Member
Charlie Strete	Member

The following individuals were also present:

Sandy Helgeson	Nashville Hitmakers Event Manager
Pat O'Donnell	Indian Lake School Superintendent
Ben Pile	ILWP Member/Resident
Vicky Boots	Executive Director

Don Eggenschwiller moved to accept the minutes of the March 22, 2017, meeting as mailed. Dave Helgeson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dave Leiter moved the financial statement for the time period ending April 26, 2017, be approved as presented. Kay Daugherty seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The list of bills was presented to board members for approval. Dave Helgeson 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 –		\$ 245.99
Postage Meter	\$ 15.99	
USPS – postage	230.00	

PRINTER

US Bancorp Equipment Finance –		\$ 829.60
Monthly Charge	\$1,150.00	
Logan SWCD reimbursement	(383.33)	
Overage – Color – 1654 @ \$.075/copy	62.93	

RENT

Logan SWCD – April

\$ 250.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Cardmember Services –

GoDaddy.com – website registration 2017

\$ 118.00

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FUND RAISER – Nashville Hitmakers Event Manager Sandy Helgeson reported that the Sponsorship Campaign for this year’s concert is in full swing. Contacts are being made with good response. The goal is to have sponsorship commitments finalized by May 1st. Line up has been decided. Ticket sales will begin in May. Nichole Daniels has agreed to be in charge of the ticket sales again this year.

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE YEAR-END REVIEW – Endowment Committee Chairperson Don Eggenschwiller reported that the Endowment Committee recently met to conduct the 2016 Endowment Fund review. Since 2009 the fund has seen a 12.24% return on our investments. In 2015 we saw a rate of return at 0.06%; 2016 was 10.69%; and the first quarter of 2017 was 4.7%. It was the committee’s recommendation to make no changes in our investments and “maintain status quo”. Dave Helgeson moved to accept the Endowment Committee’s recommendation to make no changes with our investments. Nancy Roellig seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

INDIAN LAKE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – ILWP Legislative Committee Representative Sharon DeVault reported that an OPIOD Round Table Discussion will be held Tuesday, May 9th, 6:30 P.M. at the Indian Lake Lighthouse. Rep. Robert Sprague will be the featured speaker. The event will focus on Drugs in the Workforce.

The Indian Lake Traffic Study will be discussed at the May 17th, 9:00 A.M. meeting that will be held at the Indian Lake Area Chamber office. Representatives from ODOT and LUC will be in attendance.

WATERSHED ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that she recently attended the Logan County and Union County Area Chamber of Commerce’s Business Impact Breakfast that was held at Raymond Elementary, March 23rd. Rep. Dorothy Pelanda, Rep. Nino Vitale, Sen. Dave Burke and Sen. Matt Huffman spoke to those in attendance and updated us of the current focus of the Ohio State legislation. Of course, the 2017 Biennium budget was among the items discussed. Vicky along with board members Sharon DeVault and Kay Daugherty were in attendance. They utilized this opportunity to stress the importance of the ILWP’s Administrative Funding request for the FY 2017 Biennium Budget that is currently being reviewed in the State Legislature. All four legislators stressed that the ILWP request would be inserted into the budget. Sen. Huffman stated that it is the most “talked about” item in the entire budget. Vicky distributed copies of Indian Lake’s past accomplishments to the legislators.

Members of the Watershed Action Plan Committee met to discuss potential upcoming projects for ILWP. Those potential projects are: Duck weed attachment for the weed harvester; new ILWP “supporter” real estate signs or decals; Fishing Line recycling program expansion; dock user packets distribution at boat ramps; newsletter distribution to include various lake area

organizations and state legislators; presentations at the campgrounds during camping season; implementation of the “Watershed Champions” program that would focus on local volunteers who go above and beyond to improve the lake area; and continue stressing the impact of the ILWP’s success of creating good water quality at Indian Lake on the local economies of Russells Point, Lakeview and the state park campground. The campground has been experiencing increased reservations for the past 2 years.

OLD BUSINESS

NAME THE NEW DREDGE – Per the request of ODNR Dredge Maintenance Supervisor Tom Grabow the Indian Lake Watershed Project Board of Directors has the privilege of naming the new dredge. The dredge is expected to have a delivery date of July of this year. After much brainstorming board members made the decision to name the machine the “Eagle”. The name will be submitted to Tom who will make the final arrangements to have the name painted on the machine.

RAIN GARDEN CLEANUP – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that the rain garden site along State Route 366 is in need of some “clean up” of dead plant material before the spring/summer activities around the lake begin. The site has been the victim of some major rain events in the past few weeks and currently has standing water on the site. Therefore, the plants do not show any sign of regrowth. The plant residue needs to be removed. The plant selection for the site needs to be reevaluated to include plants that can withstand standing water. The removal of the dredge material and replacement of top soil/sand materials did not improve the drainage issue. Therefore, it was decided to replant the site with plants that can tolerate standing water. Vicky will research possibilities and provide a list at the next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

HONDA TRANSMISSION DONATION – Executive Director Vicky Boots informed board members that a \$1000.00 donation has been received from Honda Transmission that will be used to expand the current ILWP Monitoring Program to include chemical testing in addition to the Harmful Algal Bloom testing that we currently do. The monies will be used to purchase equipment and supplies to benefit the program. Thank you HTM for your continued support of our water quality efforts. A “thank you” letter has been sent to HTM for their generous donation.

ILWP STATE FUNDING MEETING WITH REP. DOROTHY PELANDA – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that a meeting has been scheduled with State Rep. Dorothy Pelanda to discuss our course of action for our 2017 Biennium Budget request for the \$125,000 Administrative Funding. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 1st, 10:00 A.M. at the Logan SWCD office in Bellefontaine. Board Members Sharon DeVault, Kay Daugherty, Dave Helgeson, Don Eggenschwiller, Steve Terrill and Jim Ellington will represent the ILWP Board of Directors in addition to Executive Director Vicky Boots.

BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION – Executive Director Vicky Boots reported that she has received word that ILWP Board Member Don Thompson has asked to be relieved of his duties as board member. Don is experiencing some medical issues and will not be able to continue to serve on the board. Therefore, Don Eggenschwiller moved to accept the resignation of Don Thompson from the ILWP Board of Directors with regrets. Kay Daugherty seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Don will be sent a letter of appreciation for his years of service and dedication to the ILWP Board of Directors.

NEW BOARD MEMBER – Indian Lake School Superintendent Pat O’Donnell has expressed an interest in becoming a member of the ILWP Board of Directors. Pat has been very supportive of our organization especially with the Nashville Hitmakers concerts for the past 5 years. Kay Daugherty moved to nominate Pat O’Donnell as a member of the ILWP Board of Directors. Dave Leiter seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Welcome aboard Pat!

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

- Hiring signs have been posted for this year’s seasonal help, re: Commissary help, etc. Seasonal maintenance positions have been filled
- Campground Pool project is ahead of schedule. The pool will be available only for campers NOT public. 5 lifeguards will be hired for the season to provide safety for the swimmers. Individuals must be 16 years of age
- Spillway project on schedule with a few delays early in the project because of weather
- Successful Maple Syrup Festival – good move to hold in the Multi-Purpose Building
- Addressing the reduction of Canada geese in the campground area. Received a federal permit to “destroy” eggs by shaking eggs and placing back in the nest
- Archery Range near O’Connor DMRA – parking lot being excavated. Funding provided by Division of Wildlife
- Nature Center/Temporary Office Space project contract awarded to Columbus company but with the approval of the Controlling Board
- Mowing is now behind due to the influx of rain received in the past 2 weeks
- All seasonal employment begins May 1

DREDGE UPDATE – Dredge Maintenance Supervisor Tom Grabow, who was not able to attend the board meeting, provided the following updates:

- Dredge has been moved to Lake Ridge area
- Working on getting the line fused
- Removing a lot of trees and debris out of the lake
- Started constructing the O’Connor’s 2nd DMRA
- The Manchester agreement has been completed and waiting on signatures from the property owners
- Will be working on the Chippewa DMRA site soon
- New dredge construction is under way

The next regularly scheduled ILWP Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 24, 2017, 9:30 A.M. at the Indian Lake State Park Multi-Purpose building located at the State Park Campground.

Dave Leiter moved the meeting be adjourned. Charlie Strete seconded. Motion passed unanimously.