

# Fox Waterway Agency Minutes May 27, 2015

**Recording Secretary: Danielle Hartig** 

1.0. Call to Order & Roll Call 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Blake

**Present:** Directors Phil Bartmann, Chuck Haling, Bill Hellyer, James Meyer, Dan Mitchell, Michael Shields and Chairman Wayne Blake

Absent:

FWA Also Present: Agency Attorney David McArdle, Randy Sweet of the Advisory Committee

## 2.0. Pledge of Allegiance

## 3.0. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION:** Director Haling made a motion to approve the Minutes from the April 22, 2015 meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Bartmann. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, = Mitchell, and Shields

Nay:

None

Abstain:

Hellyer, Meyer

The Motion carried.

## 4.0. Treasurer's Report & Acceptance of Bills & Other Financials

## 4.1 Approval of Treasurer's Report

Director Bartmann provided the Treasurer's Report. He stated there was \$267,870.74 on hand.

**MOTION:** Director Bartmann made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay:

None

Abstain:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

## 4.2 Approval of Bills

Director Bartmann explained the bills totaling \$112,178.86.

**MOTION:** Director Bartmann made a motion to approve the list of Bills. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay:

None

Abstain:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

## 5.0 Old Business

**5.1** Chairman Blake discussed building repairs.

#### 6.0 New Business

**6.1** Swearing in of Directors Dan Mitchell, Bill Hellyer, and Jim Meyers.

6.2

**MOTION:** Director Meyer made a motion waive the buoy deposit fee for the Pistakee Bay Fireworks. The motion was seconded by Director Bartmann. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay: None

The motion carried.

**MOTION:** Director Shields made a motion to approve WRP: Pistakee Bay Fireworks pending McHenry County Sheriff approval. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay: None

The motion carried.

#### 6.3

**MOTION:** Director Meyer made a motion waive the buoy deposit fee for Chain O'Lakes Fireworks. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay: None

The motion carried.

**MOTION:** Director Meyer made a motion to approve WRP: Chain O'Lakes Fireworks pending Lake County Sheriff Approval. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay: None

The motion carried.

#### 6.4

**MOTION:** Director Mitchell made a motion to approve authorize purchase of dredging pipe up to \$20,000. The motion was seconded by Director Bartmann. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay: None

The motion carried.

## 7.0 Advisory Committee Report and Recommendations

Randy Sweet advised the Board that the Spring cleanup went well (upwards of 50 people attended). John Schmidtke has passed away; services will be later this week.

## 8.0 Reports

## 8.1 Field Superintendent Rob Rinkenberger

Rob Rinkenberger informed the board:

- Screen Repair: Has been tabled for now
- Discussion and possible motion to repair Amphibious backhoe: Needs to be fixed ASAP

**MOTION:** Director Bartmann made a motion to approve repairs to the Amphibious backhoe not to exceed \$20,000. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Ave: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay: None

The motion carried.

### 9.0 Board Comments

## 9.1 Directors

#### Bartmann:

- Wondered if the FWA insurer should countersue in the dump truck accident case
- Mentioned that the FWA trucks/vehicles are in bad shape; Rob is putting together a replacement schedule
- Down to 1.5 dump trucks, which are both owned by the State. Trying to get 3 more from the state.
- FWA has an estimated \$100,000 in surplus equipment. Will be looking into auction options.
- Website needs updating

#### Mitchell:

• Mentioned that the easy way out of this situation would be to raise sticker fees and wanted it noted that the FWA has not done that yet

## Meyer:

- Lake County Water Quality presentation went well; those members are wondering if they could help the FWA put in any grant applications for dredging projects
- There is an "America's Boating Course" program being offered to educate boaters

## 10.0 Public Comments and presentations

- Ron Cowley (Pistakee Highlands): Looking for dredging help temporarily on the creek
- **John Macko (Long Drive):** Wondered if his subdivision's project was on the list to be done & what the status of the project is
- Tom Chamberlain (Long Drive): Thinks the FWA should raise sticker feeds. Doesn't think they should hire a consultant, but that FWA needs to improve political relations with the various counties.
- **Jim Washo (Lake Court):** He deposited \$5,000 towards his project, Ron said he returned his money, but he has yet to receive it.
- **Judy Eckert (Venetian Gardens):** Informed the Board that they had turned in the land permits for their project

## 11.0 Executive Session

**MOTION:** Director Meyer made a motion for an Executive Session pursuant to personnel. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay: None

The motion carried. Entered into Executive session at 8:25 p.m.

## 12.0 Return to Open Session at 8:39 p.m.

The board discussed FEMA grant issues; made a call to consultant Mike Herman and reached a consensus for the chairman to sign the proposal of Ernst and Young for an amount not to exceed \$20,000 which final action will be on the board's next agenda. No vote was taken.

# 12.0 Adjournment

**MOTION** Director Mitchell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A voice vote was taken. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Approyed:

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Chuck Haling, Secretary