

Fox Waterway Agency Minutes April 27, 2016

Recording Secretary: Danielle Hartig

1.0. Call to Order & Roll Call 7:02 p.m.

Chairman Blake

Present: Directors Phil Bartmann, Chuck Haling, James Meyer, Dan Mitchell, Michael Shields and

Chairman Wayne Blake

Absent: Bill Hellyer

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

Executive Director Joe Keller

2.0. Pledge of Allegiance

3.0. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Director Haling made a motion to approve the Minutes from the March 23, 2016 Regular and Executive Session meetings, March 29, 2016 Special Board Meeting, and the April 5, 2016 Special Board Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Bartmann. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Absent:

Hellyer

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 \$381,303.78 on hand. March sticker sales totaled \$293,820; YTD sticker sales total \$652,810. The line of credit has been paid off.

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

Absent:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

4.2 Approval of Bills

Director Bartmann explained the bills to be paid totaling \$77,311.57.

MOTION: Director Bartmann made a motion to approve payment of the bills totaling \$77,311.57. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Absent:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

5.0 Old Business

5.1

DISCUSSION: Director Meyer asked for the status on the Army Corp of Engineers & the 10 year permit. FWA is currently waiting on a letter from them.

5.2

DISCUSSION: Director Shields updated the Board on the status of the FWA Headquarters renovation; IEMA is requiring an engineered set of plans. These will most likely be completed by Ralph Schmidt Engineering and will hopefully submit to IEMA next week.

5.3

Director Mitchell introduced the NIOC, who were seeking approval for the shootout based on the conditions being met from the prior meeting.

MOTION: Director Mitchell made a motion to approve the NIOC's circulation plan for the shootout. The motion was seconded by Director Bartmann. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay:

Meyer

Absent:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

6.0 New Business

6.1

MOTION: Director Haling made a motion to approve the WRP relating to the Pistakee Bay Fireworks. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. The event will take place on July 3rd from 9-10pm. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Absent:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

6.2

MOTION: Director Mitchell made a motion to approve the Ordinance amendinging the Agency Code of Ethics. The motion was seconded by Director Bartmann. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Absent:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

6.3

MOTION: Director Mitchell made a motion to approve the Ordinance amending section 12.03 of the Fox Waterway Agency Code of Rules & Regulations. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Absent:

Hellver

The Motion carried.

6.4

MOTION: Director Bartmann made a motion to approve the leasing of two new dump trucks for 5 years discounted via the state CMS pricing program in the amount of \$5,432 per month. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Mitchell, and Shields

Nay:

Meyer

Absent:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

6.5

MOTION: Director Meyer made a motion to approve the purchase of two geotextile bags for sediment storage for a cost not to exceed \$14,000 to clear the L-10 channel and surrounding area. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Bartmann, Haling, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields

Absent:

Hellyer

The Motion carried.

7.0 Advisory Committee Report and Recommendations

Randy Sweet advised the Board the Spring Cleanup event is May 7th from 8am-12pm.

The next meeting is May 5th, 2016. The Committee will put together suggestions for the WRP fee.

8.0 Reports

8.1 Executive Director

Executive Director Keller informed the Board:

- Of progress in discussions with Lake County regarding permit fees
- Thanked the Board for approving the motion allowing the Agency to lease trucks
- Sticker sales are up 40% (although slightly down for the month, overall they are 40% higher)
- SB2632 is successfully moving through the legislation process which will hopefully allow the FWA to access certain pieces of land/property

8.2 Field Superintendent

Field Superintendent Rob Rinkenberger informed the Board:

- Thanked the Board for approving the motion allowing the Agency to lease trucks
- Mentioned he is hoping to present the 2016 dredging status at the next meeting; he has been in talks with Lake County over the proposed schedule and will continue these meetings
- They are continuing work on Cooper's Farm. They have been digging at L-10. They are hoping to mobilize at Jackson next week.
- They have been processing top soil; should have \$5-6k in billables upcoming.

9.0 Board Comments

9.1 Directors

• Haling: Mentioned he will accommodate the Spring Cleanup at Haling's Resort and be sure to have dumpsters on site

10.0 Public Comments and presentations

- Steve Jergins (Antioch): Had various questions for the Board members in regards to the bidding process on the trucks and engineering firm.
- **Judy Eckert (Venetian Gardens):** Wondered if they were on the dredging schedule (FWA hopes to be out there within the next few weeks)
- **Bob Giselle (Venetian Gardens):** Mentioned it was refreshing to see the Board and Field crew communicating so well. Mentioned the township is providing a catch basin for water runoff; wondered if there were any other areas of concern.
- **Jim Cistaro (Grass Lake Rd.):** Mentioned he wanted to be notified about the Radar Shootout event before the Board approved it (there have been 3 prior presentations on the event and the NIOC is handling the entire event including announcement/publicity). Also wondered if the FWA can obtain records from the police department to see which offenders have multiple violations (the FWA can pull the sticker from a multiple violator).

11.0 Executive Session

There was no motion for an Executive Session.

12.0 Adjournment

MOTION Director Bartmann 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 8:34 p.m.

Approved:

Chuck Haling, Secretary