



# Fox Waterway Agency

## Minutes

July 27, 2016

**Recording Secretary: Danielle Hartig**

**1.0. Call to Order & Roll Call 6:58 p.m.**

Chairman Blake

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

**FWA Also Present:** Agency Attorney David McArdle, Dennis Leo 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 June 22, 2016 Regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Abstain: Mitchell

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 \$840,080.21 on hand. June sticker sales totaled \$391,500; Year-to-date sticker sales totaled \$1,558,208. The A/R stands at: Jim Weber Trucking (\$8,640), and Keslin Landscaping (\$1,760).

**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, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Shields

The Motion carried.

**4.2 Approval of Bills**

Director Bartmann presented the bills totaling \$129,000.83.

**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, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Shields

The Motion carried.

**5.0 Old Business**

**5.1**

**DISCUSSION:** Director Meyer discussed the Army Corp of Engineers & the 10 year permit. The 30 day comment period has expired. They are currently waiting on the Historical Landmark, Fish & Wildlife, & ECOCAT departments to respond. The Trinsky letter is to be sent out ASAP.

**5.2**

**DISCUSSION:** Director Bartmann discussed FEMA, PW 611, and Headquarter operation renovation status. Everything has been submitted to FEMA/IEMA and they are currently waiting on a response.

**5.3**

Director Mitchell discussed the NIOC seeking approval for the shootout. Everything is on schedule for their event on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

**6.0 New Business**

**6.1**

**MOTION:** Director Bartmann made a motion to acknowledge Robert Rinkenberger's 18 years of dedicated service to the Fox Waterway Agency. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields  
The Motion carried.

**6.2**

**MOTION:** Director Haling made a motion to approve the Dredging Release and Hold Harmless Agreement. It was noted that this will become a part of the dredging packet, to be signed by every homeowner on all future jobs. The motion was seconded by Director Bartmann. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Hellyer, Shields, Mitchell, Meyer, Haling, Bartmann  
The Motion carried.

**6.3**

**MOTION:** Director Shields made a motion adopt an ordinance amending Section 4.01, Definitions within the Fox Waterway Agency Code of Rules and Regulations. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields  
The Motion carried.

**6.4**

**MOTION:** Director Hellyer made a motion to approve a \$200 Fireworks donation for Founders Day in Algonquin on July 31, 2016. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields  
The Motion carried.

**6.5**

**MOTION:** Director Mitchell made a motion to approve a \$200 donation for Venetian Night on the lower river, hosted by Fleet 17 on August 13<sup>th</sup>. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields  
The Motion carried.

**6.6**

**MOTION:** Director Meyer made a motion to approve a waiver of one-day sticker fees for Walleyes Unlimited USA for their annual "Take a Vet Fishing" outing on September 24, 2016. The motion was seconded by Director Bartmann. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields  
The Motion carried.

**6.7**

**MOTION:** Director Bartmann made a motion to appoint the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary of the FWA Advisory Board as the three commissioners of the FWA Ethics Commission. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields  
The Motion carried.

## **7.0 Advisory Committee Report and Recommendations**

Dennis Leo advised the Board that the tour of Coopers Farm went well. The next meeting is September 1, 2016.

## **8.0 Reports**

### **8.1 Executive Director**

Executive Director Keller informed the Board:

- Thanked Rob Rinkenberger for his many years of service. They have been working hard to transfer his knowledge to Rob Bowen, who will have the opportunity to step up over the next 3 months.
- The entire team has been set up with emails
- The FWA App currently has 1,000 users
- Mentioned it was very moving and special to attend the Paralyzed Vet Fishing Event; looking forward to attending future events as well

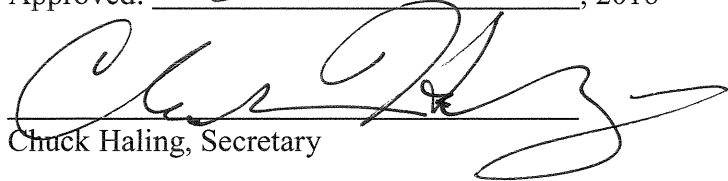
### **8.2 Field Superintendent**

Acting Field Superintendent Rob Bowman informed the Board:

- Mentioned his friendship with Rob Rinkenberger; he knows he has big shoes to fill
- They are currently dredging Oak Channel (3-4 weeks left), and then moving to L-10
- They are also working on Jackson (2 weeks left), and then moving to Port Barrington, and then on to Venetian Gardens
- McHenry Township Park/Nippersink Channel will take approximately 3-4 weeks and they will move onto Governors/Fortress to finish out the season
- The homeowners who bought Trinsky's house will allow the FWA to use his property to gain access
- Dump sites: Currently using Trinsky, at capacity on Coopers Farm, can use Fisher's property on Route 12
- Equipment: Purchased trucks should come in mid-August. They still need smaller trucks as well as truck drivers

<b>9.0 Board Comments</b>
<p><b>9.1 Directors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Haling:</b> Thanked Rob Bowman for stepping up. Mentioned that duck blinds are going up.</li> <li>• <b>Bartmann:</b> Also thanked Rob B. for stepping up. Mentioned Venetian Gardens needs to be a priority.</li> <li>• <b>Mitchell:</b> Was happy to see equipment out at the McHenry Township Park</li> <li>• <b>Meyer:</b> The Felters Subdivision off Lake Kathryn met to discuss the algae problem. Future meetings are planned.</li> </ul>
<p><b>10.0 Public Comments and presentations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bob Joselle (Venetian Gardens, Fox River Grove):</b> Mentioned the paralyzed Vets event went well and it was great to see 300 Veterans fishing. Also mentioned he is happy to see his project is on the schedule and coming up soon. Wondered if they would have to resign the Hold Harmless (not at this point).</li> </ul>
<b>11.0 Executive Session</b>
<p><b>MOTION:</b> Director Bartmann made a motion enter into Executive Session pursuant to personnel and potential property acquisition. The motion was seconded by Director Meyer. A roll call vote was taken.</p> <p>Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields The Motion carried. End Open Session at 8:12 p.m.</p>
<p><b>MOTION:</b> Upon returning open session, Director Meyer made a motion to increase the Executive Director Joe Keller's salary to \$110,000 beginning August 1, 2016. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.</p> <p>Aye: Directors Bartmann, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell, and Shields The motion carried.</p>
<b>12.0 Adjournment</b>
<p><b>MOTION</b> 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.</p>
<p>The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.</p>

Approved:   2-23  , 2016

  
 Chuck Haling, Secretary