



**Fox Waterway Agency**  
***Regular Meeting Minutes***  
May 24, 2017

**Recording Secretary: David McArdle**

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

Chairman Blake

**Present:** Directors Chris Allen, Chuck Haling, Bill Hellyer, James Meyer, Dan Mitchell, Chris ~~Allen~~<sup>Stochl</sup>, and Chairman Wayne Blake

**Absent:**

**FWA Also Present:** Agency Attorney David McArdle, Randy Sweet of the Advisory Committee, Executive Director Joe Keller, Acting Field Superintendent Rob Bowman

**2.0. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3.0. Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** Director Haling made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 26, 2017 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

Abstain:

The Motion carried.

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

**4.1 Approval of Treasurer's Report**

Director Meyer provided the Treasurer's Report. He stated there was \$721,354.94 on hand. April sticker sales totaled \$218,085 and year-to-date sales totaled \$869,085.

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

Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

The Motion carried.

#### **4.2 Approval of Bills**

Director Meyer explained the bills totaling \$222,277.20.

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

Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

The Motion carried.

#### **5.0 Old Business**

##### **5.1**

**DISCUSSION:** Director Hellyer discussed the Army Corps of Engineers/island project. He stated that a public meeting would take place later in the Summer.

##### **5.2**

**DISCUSSION:** Director Mitchell updated the Board on the value engineering improvements for the office renovation project. The lowest renovation bid was approximately \$516,000 which was higher than the estimated cost; Value engineering is reducing the low bid to approximately \$450,000 so far.

#### **6.0 New Business**

##### **6.1**

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY:** Attorney McArdle swore in the newly elected board members, Chairman Wayne Blake, Director Christine Stochl, Director Chuck Haling, and Director Chris Allen.

##### **6.2**

**MOTION:** Director Allen made a motion to approve a WRP for the Oak Park Lounge/Pistakee Lake Fireworks scheduled for July 8<sup>th</sup>. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

The Motion carried.

**6.3**

**DISCUSSION:** Director Stochl made a motion to approve a WRP for “Celebrate Fox Lake Fireworks”/Nippersink Lake scheduled for July 1<sup>st</sup> subject to possible additional conditions begin added at the next FWA meeting following consultation with the petitioners and the County Sheriff. The motion was seconded by Director Meyer. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

The Motion carried.

**6.4**

**MOTION:** Director Stochl made a motion to table approval of a WRP for the Fox Lake Land and Lake Days/Cardboard Boat Race until additional information is received. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

The Motion carried.

**6.5**

**MOTION:** Director Haling made a motion to approve a reduced rate for 1-day temporary boat stickers for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s Fishing Tournament. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

The Motion carried.

**6.6**

**MOTION:** Director Hellyer lead a discussion of alternative additional enforcement procedures of FWA stickers purchases. These alternatives included the following ideas:

1. Enforcement by coast guard provided with FWA provided enforcement forms;
2. Automated Cameras on bridges with warning signage, inactivated;
3. Automated Cameras on bridges with warning signage, activated;
  - a. Possibility of providing chips within stickers where only boats without stickers are photographed;
4. Photos by staff with date on photos/affidavit;
5. Photos by Directors with date on photos/affidavit;
6. Photos by public with date on photos/affidavit;
7. Enforcement recovery of fines, costs and legal fees and order purchase of permit and enhanced cost.
8. Applicability of administrative adjudication under the IVC

**6.7**

**MOTION:** Following discussion, Director Meyer made a motion directing the Executive Director to draft a cell phone policy for the Board to consider at the next regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

The Motion carried.

**7.0 Advisory Committee Report and Recommendations**

Randy Sweet advised the Board that the next meeting is September 7<sup>th</sup> and the boat tour is scheduled for July 11<sup>th</sup>.

**8.0 Reports**

**8.1 Executive Director**

Executive Director Keller informed the Board that he is intending to schedule a meeting with the DNR this Summer to try and obtain title to the FWA Headquarters property.

## 8.2 Field Superintendent

Acting Field Superintendent Rob Bowman informed the Board:

- Staff has made 66 debris response calls to date;
- Installation of bouys is 95% complete;
- A beaver dam was removed;
- The McHenry Boat Ramp project will begin soon;
- ~~Venerian~~ Channel work is ~~completed~~; <sup>ongoing</sup> not completed.
- Halings is completed except for restoration; and
- Auction items include 3 vehicles and miscellaneous equipment

## 9.0 Board Comments

9.1 Directors all welcomed newly elected directors.

## 10.0 Public Comments and presentations

- John Fisher, auxillary Coast Guard is willing and able to help enforce sticker purchases;
- John Pashky, from Port Barrington asked about the island project south of the Rt.12 bridge;
- John Cistaro discussed bouys in Grass Lake...not needed;
- Jeff Land from Southern Wisconsin advised that he City of Waukesha intends to connect to Lake Michigan water which could decrease flow to the Fox Waterway by 8.2M GPD.

## 11.0 Executive Session

**MOTION:** Director Mitchell made to adjourn the meeting and enter into Executive Session to discuss threatened litigation and personnel issues. The motion was seconded by Director Meyer. A roll call vote was taken at 8:35.

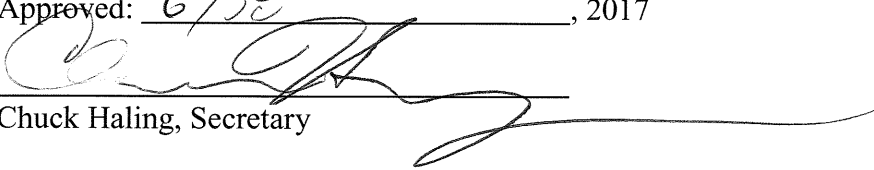
Aye: Directors Allen, Haling, Hellyer, Meyer, Mitchell and Stochl

Absent:

The Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 9:48, no action taken and the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Approved: 6/30, 2017

  
Chuck Haling, Secretary