

Fox Waterway Agency Remote/Electronic Meeting Minutes May 26, 2021

Recording Secretary: David McArdle

1.0 Call to Order & Roll Call 7:04 p.m.

Chairman Blake

Present: Directors [vacancy], Jim Meyer Bill Hellyer, Christine Stochl, Chuck Haling, Jason Hettermann and Chairman Wayne Blake

Absent:

FWA Also Present: Agency Attorney David McArdle, Executive Director Joe Keller, Field Superintendent Rob Bowman, Advisory Committee Pat Smarto

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance/Administration of Oath of Office: Following the pledge of Allegiance, Attorney McArdle administered the oath of office swearing in the newly elected Chairman Wayne Blake, and Directors Chrisine Stochl, Jim Meyer and Chuck Haling.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Director Haling made a motion to approve the April 28, 2021 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann and Hellyer

Absent:

Nay:

None.

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 which reflects a cash balance of \$1,606,166.29 through 4/30/21.

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

Aye:

Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann and Hellyer

Absent:

Nay:

None.

The Motion carried.

4.2 Approval of Bills

Director Meyer presented the monthly bills for payment and ratification of bills previously paid as follows: April bills prepaid total \$29,669.84; May bills prepaid total \$82,384.06; and bills remaining to be paid total \$86,944.59; for a total amount of bills paid and to be paid of \$198,998.49.

MOTION: Director Meyer made a motion to ratify and pay all the outstanding bills including approval of debits and checks prepaid all totaling \$198,998.49. The motion was seconded by Director Stochl. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann and Hellyer

Absent:

Nay:

None

The Motion carried.

4.3 A/R Report

Director Meyer reported that the current accounts receivable as of 5/25/21 total \$9,240.00.

5.0 Old Business

5.1 Army Corps of Engineers and IDNR permit update.

Director Stochl informed the Board that:

- Boat trip with Colonel 6/26/21
- IDR flood study will not be completed until fall, 2021

5.2 Wall Street development and soil processing update.

Field Superintendent Bowman informed the Board that:

- Work on dump ramp is progressing and the work site is up and running
- Phase II with Lake County being entered into

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6.0 New Business

- **6.2** Chairman Blake: Presentation and acceptance by the FWA of the IPRF 2020 Member of the Year Award.
- **6.3 MOTION:** Director Hettermann made a motion to approve Laura King as a new member of the FWA Advisory Board. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer

Absent:

Nay:

None

The Motion carried.

6.4 MOTION: Director Hettermann made a motion to approve WRP: Pistakee Bay Fireworks on July 10, 2021. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken. Ave: Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer Absent: Nav: None The Motion carried. **6.5 MOTION:** Director Stochl made a motion to approve WRP: Celebrate Fox Lake on July 3, 2021 and waive all fees for the event. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken. Aye: Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer Absent: Nay: None The Motion carried. **6.6 MOTION:** Director Hettermann made a motion to approve WRP: The Boat House Chicago Shake the Lake On-Water Concert Fundraiser on July 16 & 17, 2021 and waive all fees for the event. The motion was seconded by Director Stochl. A roll call vote was taken. Aye: Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer Absent: None Nay: The Motion carried. **6.7 MOTION:** Director Haling made a motion to approve and waive fees for 20 one-day stickers for the Take-a-Vet Fishing event that was held on May 15 & 16, 2021. The motion was seconded by Director Meyer. A roll call vote was taken. Aye: Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer Absent: Nay: None The Motion carried. **6.8 MOTION:** Director Hellyer made a motion to approve the purchase of a custom aluminum work boat and trailer NTE \$65,000. The motion was seconded by Director Hettermann. A roll call vote was taken. Aye: Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer Absent: Nay: None

The Motion carried.

6.9 MOTION: Director Haling made a motion to approve acceptance of \$500,000 Amphibious Excavator Grant Award and approval of additional funds needed for purchase NTE \$85,000. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer

Absent:

Nay:

None

The Motion carried.

7.0 Reports

7.1 Executive Director

Executive Director reported that:

- Working on Grass Island report for next meeting
- Staff working well together

7.2 Advisory Committee Reports & Recommendations

Field Superintendent Bowman reported that:

- Boat tour scheduled for 7/11/21
- Waterway Clean Up: people who showed up worked hard; need more participation

7.3 Field Superintendent Report

Field Superintendent Bowman reported that:

- Buoys finished up this week
- Hydraulic dredge being set up at sheriff site
- Working with HRG on Grass Island

8.0 Directors Reports

8.1 Directors

- Director Haling Clean up at Halings; 5-6 people showed up; need more publicity
- Director Stochl Public seems happy with Agency Headquarters
- Director Hettermann Website being updated via Pat Smarto; social media increased
- Director Meyer Need GPS on buoy locations to decrease efforts in placing buoys
- Director Hellyer Coast Guard conducted safety check at Broken Oar

8.2 Chairman-No report

Public Comment -

Adjournment

MOTION: Director Hellyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, at 9 p.m. The Motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye:

Directors Haling, Stochl, [vacancy], Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer

Absent:

Nay:

None

The Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

Approved:

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Chuck Haling, Secretary

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