



Fox Waterway Agency

Remote/Electronic Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2021

Recording Secretary: David McArdle

1.0 Call to Order & Roll Call 7:00 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

3.0 Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Director Haling made a motion to approve the May 26, 2021 meeting minutes. 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.

4.0 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 \$1,753,802.26 through 5/31/21.

MOTION: Director Meyer made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. 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.

4.2 Approval of Bills

Director Meyer presented the monthly bills for payment and ratification of bills previously paid as follows: May bills prepaid total \$35,019.58; June bills prepaid total \$77,670.48; and bills remaining to be paid total \$3,800.41; for a total amount of bills paid and to be paid of \$196,946.53.

MOTION: Director Meyer made a motion to ratify and pay all the outstanding bills including approval of debits and checks prepaid all totaling \$196,946.53. 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.

4.3 A/R Report

Director Meyer reported that the current accounts receivable as of 6/22/21 total \$5,770.00; of that amount, \$2,190.00 are aged beyond 30 days.

5.0 Old Business**5.1 Army Corps of Engineers and IDNR permit update.**

Director Stochl informed the Board that:

- 6/29/21 Army Corps representatives will be at the agency 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; two Army Corp representatives, colonel, Senator Wilcox and state representative Tom Weber. Visit will be a boat trip from Grass Lake to the dam.

5.2 Wall Street development and soil processing update.

Director Haling informed the Board that:

- Agency moving forward per plan
- The access road is being constructed
- Traffic flow (trucks) and access is good
- Recent rain – no problem next day

6.0 New Business**6.1** Director Haling made a motion to approve the nomination former Director Dan Mitchell to fill the open FWA board position. The motion was seconded by Director Meyer. After the following roll call was taken, Director Mitchell sworn into office and seated for the remainder of the meeting.

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

Absent:

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

6.2 MOTION: Director Meyer reviewed the Dam, Snell & Taveirne Management Letter and a review of the report was provided by Carrie Egelston from the auditing firm.

6.3 MOTION: Director Meyer made a motion to approve the 2020 audit report provided by Dam, Snell and Taveirne. The motion was seconded by Director Stochl. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Absent:

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

6.4 MOTION: Director Hettermann made a motion to approve WRP: Boat House Shake the Lake event modification request to change the date from July 16-17 to July 23-24, 2021. The motion was seconded by Director Stochl. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Absent:

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

6.5 MOTION: Director Hellyer made a motion to approve renewal of lobbyist Cornerstone for \$4,500/month with a not to exceed cap of \$54,000 for the fiscal year. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Absent:

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

6.6 MOTION: Director Haling made a motion to approve future one-day passes at no cost to the Illinois Bass Fishing Coaches Association and their ICASSTT tournament series participants. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Absent:

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

7.0 Reports

7.1 Executive Director

Executive Director reported that:

- Wall Street – rain handled well, trucking/dredging not hampered by wet gravel.
- Still pursuing equipment purchases.
- Grass Island – improvement moving forward (rip rap) via \$300,000 grant award (reimbursable grant).
- July 3 – FWA is participating in the Fox Lake parade.

7.2 Advisory Committee Reports & Recommendations

Chairman Smarto reported that:

- There was no meeting since the last FWA Board meeting; the next advisory meeting is scheduled for July 7. After the last FWA Board meeting, members of the advisory committee toured Coopers Farm and Wall Street.
- Social Media/By Laws still being worked on.

7.3 Field Superintendent Report

Field Superintendent Bowman reported that:

Dredging Projects:

- American Legion Project – three weeks in; approximately 6 more weeks to complete.
- L-10 – hydraulic project under way.
- Orchard Heights Project – suspended due to endangered minnow.
- Homeowner Groups talking to Rob – Lodus; Nippersink Lake; Nippersink Creek; LaCrosse-Algonquin; Pleasant View and Petite Lake Park HOA.
- Wall Street – gate installed, signposts in, sign ordered.
- Low water down river – caused boat to cut AT&T line.
- Triathlon successful.
- No wake areas – posted on website.

8.0 Directors Reports

8.1 Directors

- Director Haling – Duck blinds will be announced.
- Director Stochl – Rental boating seen to be dangerous (exceeding no wake; wrong direction; docking light on) in no wake area.
- Director Hettermann – Safety signs – good comments received; discussed keeping lakes no wake until dusk after fireworks; Director Meyer suggested no wake for the entire evening.
- Director Meyer – Agreed with boating safety issue raised earlier.
- Director Hellyer – Welcomed Director Hellyer Mitchell.

8.2 Chairman - Happy Birthday to Director Haling.

Public Comment – Arnold Harvey, Antioch – speaking for group of residents, Petite Lake Park Assoc. and Far East Channel.

Adjournment

MOTION: Director Hellyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, at 8:30 p.m. The Motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

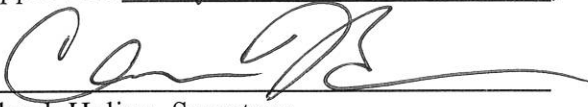
Aye: Directors Haling, Stochl, Mitchell, Meyer, Hettermann, and Hellyer

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Approved: 7/28/21, 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chuck Haling', written over a horizontal line.

Chuck Haling, Secretary

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