



# Fox Waterway Agency

## *Remote/Electronic Meeting Minutes*

August 25, 2021

**Recording Secretary:** David W. McArdle

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

Chairman Blake

**Present:** Directors Dan Mitchell, Bill Hellyer, Christine Stochl, Chuck Haling, Jason Hettermann, Jim Meyer and Chairman Wayne Blake

**Absent:** None

**FWA Also Present:** Agency Attorney David W. 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 July 28, 2021 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Hellyer. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Abstain: Meyer

The Motion carried.

### 4.0 Treasurer's Report & Acceptance of Bills & Other Financials

#### 4.1 Approval of Treasurer's Report

Director Mitchell provided the Treasurer's Report which reflects a cash balance of \$1,865,382.54 through 7/31/21.

**MOTION:** Director Mitchell 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, Mitchell, Hettermann, Meyer and Hellyer

Absent: None

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

<b>4.2</b>	<p><b>Approval of Bills</b></p> <p>Director Mitchell presented the monthly bills for payment and ratification of bills previously paid as follows: July bills prepaid total \$31,259.34; August bills prepaid total \$87,981.20; additional checks paid during the month total \$575.76; and bills remaining to be paid total \$40,951.75; for a total amount of bills paid and to be paid of \$160,768.05.</p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> Director Mitchell made a motion to ratify and pay all the outstanding bills including approval of debits and checks prepaid all totaling \$160,768.05. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.</p> <p>Aye: Directors Haling, Stochl, Mitchell, Hettermann, Meyer and Hellyer</p> <p>The Motion carried.</p>
<b>4.3</b>	<p><b>A/R Report</b></p> <p>Director Mitchell reported that the current accounts receivable as of 8/23/21 total \$5,040.00; of that amount, \$300.00 are aged 60 days and beyond; the Board is not concerned.</p>
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Old Business</b>
<b>5.1</b>	<p><b>DCEO Grant Update.</b></p> <p>Director Stochl informed the Board that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pontoon ordered</li> <li>• Survey of island completed</li> <li>• Project to begin late spring/summer 2022</li> <li>• Visit by DNR September, project manager of DNR, will be present</li> </ul>
<b>5.2</b>	<p><b>Wall Street development and soil processing update.</b></p> <p>Director Haling informed the Board that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project seems to be working well</li> <li>• At times train parking/obstruction can be an issue, suggested obtaining contact at railroad for complaints, as needed</li> <li>• Chairman indicated that site needs more marketing of its soil product</li> </ul>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>New Business</b>
<b>6.1</b>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> Director Hettermann made a motion to discuss and approve 2022 Advisory Board Meeting Schedule. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.</p> <p>Aye: Directors Haling, Stochl, Mitchell, Hettermann, Meyer and Hellyer</p> <p>The Motion carried.</p>
<b>6.2</b>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> Director Mitchell made a motion to discuss and approve 2022 Board Meeting Schedule. The motion was seconded by Director Hettermann. A roll call vote was taken.</p> <p>Aye: Directors Haling, Stochl, Mitchell, Hettermann, Meyer and Hellyer</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>The Motion carried.</p>

**6.3 MOTION:** Director Stochl made a motion to discuss and approve 2022 FWA Holiday Schedule. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Absent: None

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

**6.4 MOTION:** Director Haling made a motion to discuss and approve waiving 35 One-Day stickers for the ICASSTT High School Fishing Tournament out of Musky Tales in Antioch on October 2, 2021. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Absent: None

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

**6.5 MOTION:** Director Hellyer made a motion to discuss enhanced safe boating campaign and implementation. The motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Absent: None

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

## **7.0 Reports**

### **7.1 Executive Director**

Executive Director reported that:

- CMAP meeting occurred, objection was sustained as to exclusive use by people with canoes during designated times.
- The Agency was asked to help fire department search for boater (drowning) Staff immediately assisted as needed.

### **7.2 Advisory Committee Reports & Recommendations**

Chairman Smarto reported that:

- Would like to assemble direct email list of boaters using the chain
- Working on education of public on safety laws
- During discussion, after the issue of notice of the boat accident was mentioned by Pat, Board member Stochl stated the Agency board members should have been notified of the boat accident/drowning sooner as she and other board members were receiving calls about the incident and they knew nothing.

### 7.3 Field Superintendent Report

Field Superintendent Bowman reported that:

- Elgin dredging project being completed
- American Legion project completed; crew moving to Orchard Heights
- Boats and sales delayed but going well
- Storms created tree debris, preventing access to waterway
- Friday, Agency was the 2<sup>nd</sup> boat on scene to drowning, helped with search as directed

### 8.0 Directors Reports

#### 8.1 Directors

- Director Haling – J.P. called for assistance regarding drowning; Director Haling called Joe; J.P. called back and cancelled
- Director Stochl – Questioned what FWA has for fine for no sticker? \$200; Would like to raise fine
- Director Hettermann – No report
- Director Meyer – No report
- Director Hellyer – No report
- Director Mitchell – No report

#### 8.2 Chairman No report

#### Public Comment –

- Kevin Tysen, West Marine; interested in education of boating safety; suggested volunteer response team to help form safety perimeter when boating accidents occur

#### Adjournment

**MOTION:** Director Hellyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, at 8:25 p.m. The Motion was seconded by Director Haling. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Absent: None

Nay: None

The Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Approved: 9/53, 2021



Chuck Haling, Secretary

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