

May 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes  
Approved February 2, 2023



**Advisory Committee**  
(appointed by Board of Directors)  
**Via Zoom Video Conference Call and**  
Fox Waterway Agency  
45 S Pistakee Lake Rd  
Fox Lake, IL 60020

----- Minutes -----

**1.0 Call to Order**

Chair Smarto

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM .

**2.0 Roll Call**

Secretary Basten

Present: Pat Smarto, Anne Basten, Don Schnurr, Dave Corrigan, Ken Fruh, Tom Fernstrom, John Fischer

Present via Zoom: Rob Bryson, Alan Golbach, Jason Hetterman

Staff Present: Rob Bowman

Absent: Police, Pam Althoff, and Judy Martini

Excused: Laura King, John McGuire

Others Present: Chris Stochl

**3.0 Review of Minutes and subsequent comment/corrections/approval**

Discussion: Draft Minutes of April 7, 2022

Motion: To approve the minutes of April 7, 2022 as amended to add Ken Fruh as present remotely

Motion: Ken Fruh

Second: Alan Golbach

Motion carried

**4.0 Reports**

4.1 Rob reported that permits were approved for the Take a Vet Fishing program on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Northwater Consultants were approved to lead the watershed plan as per the grant award. Geosynthetics consultants were hired to complete studies for the Trinski Island project to be completed before the permit is applied for.

Rob reported that there had been a lot of rain recently and that the lower river was in flood stage and the upper river and lakes were almost to flood stage. Buoys have started being placed. A small dredging project was being completed near Halin's marina. Soil processing continues and is for sale at the Wall Street location on weekdays. The permitting process is underway for Phase II rezoning at Wall Street site to make it permanent. Material removal was completed at the Cooper site West cell. A new amphibious machine has been ordered under a DCEO grant award of \$500,000 and \$65,000 to be paid by the agency.

Open job postings are on the website and they are currently interviewing mechanic candidates.

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**4.2 Regional (Upper/Lower/Lakes)**

Tom Fernstrom said that the lower river was no wake and the website was not current when he looked at it. Dave Corrigan reported that the FWA app on his phone was not showing the correct status details. Rob Bowman said that Milfoil was just starting. Safety checks being conducted on May 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> from 7 am to 2 pm at the McDonald's behind the agency.

**5.0 Old Business**

**5.1 Lyons Prairie & Marsh Erosion** – Tom Fernstrom reported that the McHenry County Conservation District was planning to issue and RFP for engineering of the project in the current Fiscal Year.

**5.2 2022 Clean Up** - Photos from the various sites are to be sent to Anthony and leftovers can be returned to the office. Tires are to be left outside of the dumpsters. Several postings of the event were seen on Social Media including through Kaplan boating.

**5.3 2022 IEPA Water Quality Study/Water Quality Monitoring** – The presentation will be on June 18, 2022 at the Pistakee Yacht Club from 2-4 pm. Flyer was in the works and registration would be required. Rob Bowman asked if the FWA could speak briefly about the watershed plan and Rob Bryson said that Lake Co. would be talking about algae monitoring.

**6.0 New Business**

**6.1 New Member Application** – Neil Moulis submitted an application (Warren's son).

Motion: To approve a recommendation to appoint Neil Moulis to serve on the FWA Advisory Committee

Motion: Anne Basten  
Second: Dave Corrigan  
Motion carried

**7.0 Member Comments**

There was a question if the dredging schedule is posted on the website and if so where. Listed under projects includes a list of projects to be completed (approved) as well as those completed.

**8.0 Public Comments - None**

**9.0 Adjournment – 7:45 p.m.**

Motion: David Corrigan  
Second: John Fisher  
Motion carried