

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, March 22, 2017**

**Next Regular Board Meeting:** Wednesday, April 26, 2017

**Attending this meeting:** Jane Carlson, Joe Zakovec, Dave Hoffman, Andy Selle, Carl Korfmacher

**Absent:** Lindsey Schreiner, Karl Brandstaetter, Eric Compas, Patricia Cicero

**Introductions:** None.

**Approval of 1/25/17 and 2/22/17 Minutes:**

Motion by Andy to approve the 1/25/17 and 2/22/17 meeting minutes, seconded by Joe; motion carried.

**Announcements:**

Jane was contacted by Marie who's been sending the monthly emails on behalf of RRC to all members and those signed up on the RRC website about different happenings basin-wide. She would like to begin phasing herself out of this monthly email over the next couple of months. We will discuss this next meeting to see if someone is willing take on this task.

Motion to approve a \$50 increase in supporting River Alliance \$100 by Andy; seconded by Dave; motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Reviewed items given by Tara. Will table until next meeting.

**Membership Update:**

Nothing to report at this time.

**Stream Monitoring Report:**

a. Potential grant application for year-round continuous temperature monitoring:

Nancy received good feedback from DNR on last year's grant application that was not funded. She incorporated their insight to this year's grant application to study trends related to climate change by continuous monitoring of temperature gauges at specific stream sites. Possibly looking for an intern to do data analysis of stream temperatures. Due on April 6th. Motion to approved DNR grant application based on Nancy's discretion by Eric; seconded by Andy; motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Rock River Recovery (TMDL Implementation):**

Everyone is getting their stormwater monitoring reports in. Mark Reidel's newsletter is out on the Rock River Recovery.

**8. Brief Updates:**

- a. Chapter News: Johnson Creek Watershed Alliance will partner with the Johnson Creek Elementary School for an event to commemorate Earth Day on Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. A short presentation for grades K-4 will focus on Water Quality. JCWA will help demonstrate what our Johnson Creek watershed looks like and ways we can help to keep it clean with photos of our previous creek clean-ups.
- b. Fundraising: Andy is meeting with a company soon to discuss their sponsorship. Board will continue contact businesses looking for sponsors. Andy mentioned he went to a fundraiser by the Wisconservation Club of Fort Atkinson and saw the potential for us to partner with these groups by something as simple as donating a prize or even getting in front of them to discuss what we do. The potential/actual restorable wetlands project is something many conservation clubs would be interested in.
- c. Community Shares of Wisconsin: Suzanne sent a report on the Big Share. For next year we should revisit the decisions not to do an official match, and we chose not to focus on one power hour. Suzanne felt we should do a short video post for Facebook, it tends to get more attention than pictures. Total received in donations: \$737.39. Total donors = 19. Golden Ticket award = \$250. Match from Suzanne = \$150. Total income from The Big Share = \$1137.39.
- d. CRM: Eric Compass will speak on this at a later date.
- e. Newsletter: On track and will hopefully get the newsletter to readers before Earth Day.

#### **9. Retreat Part 2:**

Board will meet at Cafe Carpe on April 12 to discuss various topics that need more in-depth discussion than what can be offered at individual board meetings.

#### **Annual Meeting and Awards:**

Went over the Protector and Friends' awards that are presented at the annual meeting. Dave sent an email last month to receive input on award nominees- once all nominees are presented the board will vote for winners.

Heron's Landing will be the venue for the annual meeting and they will not charge for using the room. RRC annual meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 8th. More details will be solidified by April's meeting.

Dave will continue to work on awards. Jane will work on annual report in conjunction with Tara, Nancy, and Patricia.

#### **Board Member Recruitment:**

Board discussed a few potential board members and will follow up with them to seek their interest.

#### **Rock River Trail Grand Opening (June 3):**

The Rock River Trail Initiative will be hosting the Grand Opening of the Rock River Trails in Beloit at the River Rotary Center. Other river communities will be hosting programs/events in conjunction with the grand opening. RRC (Patricia and Jane) will participate in Jefferson County's river paddle down the Rock.