

Maumee Watershed Conservancy District
Board of Directors Meeting
April 18, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District met in regular session at the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District office in Defiance, Ohio, on April 18, 2017. In attendance were Richard Ricker, George Ropp and Mark Moats, Directors; Clark L. Army, General Manager; Wendy Yunker, Sec/Treas; Jim Weaner, Legal Counsel; Steve Wilson, Engineer and Project Manager; Adam Hoff, Scott Peyton and David Hayson, Stantec; Denise Grant, Courier Reporter; Doug Jenkins, WFIN Reporter and the following residents of Hancock County: Vanessa Vandale, Kathy Goecke, Steve Cramer, and Steve, Megan and Nathan Umphress.

Chairman Richard Ricker called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the March meeting were approved as mailed. Motion was made by Mark and seconded by George. Yeas 3.

Financial Reports: Wendy went over the dollar amounts collected for the first half of 2017 with the Directors. The financial reports for March along with the CD tracking were approved as mailed. Motion was made by George and seconded by Dick. Yeas 3.

Annual Report Approval: The Directors reviewed and approved the 2016 Maumee Watershed Conservancy District Annual Report that was given to them at the March meeting. Motion was made by Mark and seconded by George.

Healthcare Update: Wendy informed the Directors that the healthcare prices have gone up 13.18% as expected, reminding the Directors that the expense was calculated in the appropriations for 2017.

Upper Blanchard River Update: Lynn introduced Steve Umphress to the Directors and Steve briefly spoke on his concerns regarding Stantec's Proof of Concept Report after issuing a handout of his speech to the Directors. Adam Hoff went over the newest Invoice provided for the Directors which included sub invoices for the work done to date. After review, George moved to grant payment. Motion seconded by Mark. Yeas 3.

Steve Wilson explained to the Directors that as previously discussed, the only item for Directors action at this time on the Upper Blanchard Flood Reduction proposed project is the hydraulic improvements in the Findlay area only. Steve went on to say that the proposed work in downtown Findlay is similar to the plan in Section IIX of MWCD's Official Plan, excluding the railroad bridge modification.

Adoption of Resolution: After discussion, Motion was made by George to approve the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2191
To Complete Design and Construct Instream Improvements
Only on the Upper Blanchard River

Be It Resolved, that the Directors of the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District move to complete design and Construct instream improvements, including the railroad modifications to the Upper Blanchard River Watershed benefiting Hancock County. In order to continue the study, Lynn Army is approved to sign Right of Entry letters being sent to the landowners as needed.

Dick seconded the motion. Yeas 3.

Lynn then opened the floor for Stantec to address the concerns present by Steve Umphress as well as answer a few questions from the concerned citizens in attendance. Adam stated there will be a few more informational meetings to be held for the public regarding Stantec's recommendations.

Lower Blanchard River Update: Steve Wilson stated that as discussed at previous meetings, Dominion Gas has a line that needs to be relocated and an agreement letter needs to be signed by May 10th to ensure a timely fashion with the contractors. The agreement is currently having a few changes made to it for MWCDS interest and will be ready to be signed before the May 10th date. Mark moved to grant Lynn the authority to sign the agreement with Dominion Gas after the changes have been made. George seconded the motion. Yeas 3.

Jim Weaner is still exchanging information with attorneys Vaughn Hoblet and Tom McWaters regarding the properties involved with the Diversion Channel eminent domain case.

Farm Crossing Request: Lynn read the Directors a letter submitted by Al Osting asking for approval per his easement to fill in a low water crossing on his property along Maddox Creek. This will be on his side only. George moved to approve Al's request pending Al follow the design plan he spelled out in his letter. Seconded by Mark. Yeas 3.

Little Auglaize River Update: Jim stated that the June 5th trial date is still on for the Fife Road encroachment case. The Judge is to rule on the Motion for Summary Judgment request on May 9th. Lynn presented the Directors with a resume to review for Connor Mosier as an as-needed seasonal worker. After review and discussion, Dick moved to hire Connor on as an as-needed seasonal worker. Mark seconded the motion. Yeas 3.

St Joseph River Update: Sulfer Creek logjam inventory crew is ready to start, pending the weather. There was a class D log jam reported at Road J that was assigned to D & R to remove that jam right away.

Legal Counsel Update: Jim Weaner stated that we received some delinquent foreclosure court case notices for properties that MWCDS has interest in, Jim has contacted Williams County concerning them. Jim informed the Directors that he was in attendance for the pre-court meeting with Judge Schmenk, Steve Wilson and Lynn.

Conservancy Court Presentations: Lynn informed the Directors that the Annual Court meeting will be held at the Defiance Common Pleas Courthouse on May 5th. As always, Dick

will give the Financial Report, Mark will give the Year in Review Report and George will give the Operation and Maintenance report.

General Manager Report: Lynn provided Spring and Summer work assignments to staff members, he is working with attorneys regarding MWCD legal matters and worked with Wendy on CD investments and finances, as well as court meeting preps. Lynn also worked with Hope from the Wassenberg Art Center in Van Wert and approved landscaping and wildflower exhibit.

Maintenance Manager Report:

- 3 Fallen Trees removed from Hagerman Creek
- 4 Fallen Trees removed from Hoaglin Creek
- District Office Mower Serviced, and Office yard rolled and mowed
- New Mailbox post for District Office installed
- 2 Fallen Trees removed from Middle Creek
- District yards in City of Van Wert rolled and mowed
- Went to Perrysburg to inspect Grassy Creek, Schaller Ditch, and Helen Drive
- Maintenance on Chainsaws, clean and sharpen chains
- Performing Spring Creek Inspections for all areas along District Creeks and River
- Trip to St. Joe River inspecting for Log jams
- Inspected Concrete Channels in City of Van Wert

Meeting dates 2017: May 5 (court meeting), June 13th (tour), July 11th, Sept 5th, October 10th and Dec 5th

Adjournment: Dick moved for adjournment at 11:00 a.m. Mark seconded. Yeas 3.

Richard Ricker, Chairman

Wendy J. Yunker, Sec/Treas

Maumee Watershed Conservancy District
Audit Committee Meeting
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The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District Audit Committee met in regular session at the District Office at 1464 Pinehurst Dr., Defiance, Ohio, on April 18, 2017. In attendance were Richard Ricker, George Ropp and Mark Moats, Directors; Clark L. Army, General Manager and Wendy J. Yunker, Secretary/Treasurer.

Dick called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

Wendy explained the financial procedures, while the committee reviewed the vouchers, bank reconciliation and financial statements to be in accordance with, and to satisfy the State Auditors checks and balances of an accounting system.

Dick moved to adjourn the Audit Committee meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Richard Ricker, Director

Wendy J Yunker, Sec/Treas