

**Maumee Watershed Conservancy District**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**August 15, 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 August 15, 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, Stantec; Denise Grant, Findlay Courier and David Blatnik, State Government affairs Manager for Marathon Petroleum Corporation.

Chairman Richard Ricker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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

**Financial Reports:** The financial reports for June and July along with the CD tracking were approved as mailed. Motion was made by Mark and seconded by George. Yeas 3.

Lynn went over the renewal contract for the general liability insurance through Beck Insurance. The only change was the addition of the new tractor. George made the motion to approve the general liability insurance invoice in the amount of \$16,390 and motion was seconded by Mark. Yeas 3.

**Adoption of Resolution:** Motion was made by George to approve the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 2192**  
**To Amend 2017 Receipts/Appropriations**

| <u>Acct#</u> | <u>Description</u>     | <u>Current</u> | <u>Add'l Approp</u> | <u>Total Approp</u> |
|--------------|------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 10-14-01     | General Liability      | 17,000         | 4,000               | 21,000              |
| 10-15-02     | Professional Fees MFLA | 12,000         | 12,000              | 24,000              |
| 10-20-01     | Collection Cost MFLA   | 6,460          | 1,100               | 7,560               |
| 10-20-02     | Collection Cost MFGC   | 1,105          | 58.00               | 1,163               |
| 10-20-04     | Collection Cost MFSJ   | 250.00         | 30.00               | 280.00              |
| 10-05-01     | Payroll                | 262,210        | 15,000              | 277,210             |
| 10-06-01     | PERS                   | 39,468         | 2,100               | 41,568              |
| 10-06-02     | MEDI                   | 4,088          | 218.00              | 4,306               |

Mark seconded the motion. Yeas 3.

**Cows & Plows School Educational Conservation Program support:** After discussion, Mark moved to support this with a \$100 donation. George seconded. Yeas 3.

**Adoption of Resolution:** Motion was made by Mark to approve the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 2193  
To Determine, Order and Levy the  
Annual Levy for the Year 2017**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors determine, order and levy the Annual Levy for 2017 upon all property and public corporations in said District, benefited under Section II of the Official Plan, known as Little Auglaize and tributaries, and Section III of the Official Plan, known as Grassy Creek, and Section X of the Official Plan, known as St. Joseph Stream Enhancement Project for the annual installments of assessments and interest, and maintenance assessments for the tax year 2017 and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that said amount of said Annual Levy and said maintenance assessment shall be collected and payable in the year 2018 in the sums specified at the time that county taxes are due and collectible.

George seconded the motion. Yeas 3.

**Lower Blanchard River Update:** Steve Wilson reported that the eminent domain case is ongoing in the Court of Appeals regarding the necessity of the project. With that being said, Lynn presented the Directors with a picture showing the properties surrounded by water in the most recent flood event. Lynn reported the I9 bridge performed as it was meant to during the flood event.

**Upper Blanchard River Update:** Lynn introduced David Blatnik who had requested to speak at the meeting. David spoke on behalf of Marathon and other businesses in Findlay. He shared with the Directors that the silence from the local businesses was not from nonsupport, but rather a vote of confidence that MWCD would make right decisions regarding flood reduction studies. David stated that there will be a nonprofit group formed promote flood control efforts.

Adam, from Stantec Engineering Firm, discussed with the Directors, the most recent invoice submitted by Stantec in the amount of \$65,387.56. George moved to pay the invoice and the motion was seconded by Mark. Yeas 3. Adam reported that Applied Weather Associates have completed the data on the latest rainfall event. George asked Adam if it would be appropriate to review the proof of concept recommendations using the updated hydrology to see if there is something else we could do. Adam stated that it is possible and that this latest storm event is very educational and would better represent than the Corps model because this model would show the true impacts of the last 3 years.

**Adoption of Resolution:** Motion was made by George to approve the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 2194  
To Refine Proof of Concept using  
Updated Hydrology**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors make a proposal for Stantec to refine the proof of concept with the updated rainfall data to present to the Hancock County Commissioners.

Dick seconded the motion. Yeas 3.

**Little Auglaize River Update:** Lynn stated that 182 miles have been spot treated with herbicide this season. He also responded to a pesticide inspection complaint that has reoccurred. Lynn sent an email to Terry Lammers stating that MWCD has not applied herbicide to the stream banks in question, as requested by the land owner, since 2014. Also, Lynn informed the Directors that the Fife Road easement disturbance land owner has appealed the Judge's decision and the case will now be reviewed by the Appellate Court. George moved that we continue to retain Scott Gordon to represent MWCD in this case since he has done such a great job so far. Mark seconded the motion. Yeas 3.

**Grassy Creek Update:** Grassy Creek is ready for its third mowing of the year. Lynn stated that since we have had so much rain this year, it may possibly get mowed a fourth time if needed. Asphalt grindings were brought in to repair our access road in Perrysburg.

**St Joe Update:** Log sites have been identified on the St Joe and Lynn held a meeting with D&R to assign the log jams to be removed this year.

**Legal Counsel Update:** Jim stated that the Lower Blanchard land acquisition is sitting in the Appellate Court and he would expect it to come to a decision by mid-October.

**General Manager Report:** Lynn reported he has assigned and reviewed worksites with contractors, assisted Perrysburg police with Grassy Creek dumping site, received GPS data and classifications from Sulfer Creek Co. for St. Joe logjams, assigned logjam work to D&R, assisted Wendy with financials and CDAR placements, met with Hoaglin Creek berm encroachment legal team as requested, met with Stantec engineers from instream hydraulic design updates, handled a damaged window request on Hoaglin Creek, met with business leaders in Findlay, conducted exit meeting with seasonal employees, researched easement request for Dog Creek properties, directed realtor with flood zone request, assisted Van Wert County engineers with stream information, and has been training Wendy on all aspects of office management.

### **Maintenance Manager Report:**

- 12 Fallen Trees from 15' Easement, and removed 2 logjams from Waterway
- Small class given to District Summer employees on maintenance of Chainsaw, clean and sharpen chains
- Repairs made to Spray Rig pump motor, Bad rubber diaphragms in motor
- Spray Rigs removed from District Blue and White Trucks
- Met with Landowner on Grassy Creek in response to complaint of "Scrubby looking Grass", Informed Landowner that the District Mows and Sprays only a certain number of times a year with a local Contractor, and that it would be mowed again around Labor Day
- Met with Landowner on Hagerman, and Prairie Creeks about Tile repairs, also discussed sites with Contractor
- Contacted Contractor to fix Tile blow out on Dog Creek
- Todd and Kurt marking sites for Contractor repair work in Paulding and Van Wert Counties
- 182.2 miles of Herbicide Spot-spray Application performed in 2017 by District Employees

**Meeting dates 2017:** Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, October 10<sup>th</sup> and Dec 5th

**Adjournment:** Dick moved for adjournment at 9:50 a.m. Mark seconded. Yeas 3.

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Richard Ricker, Chairman

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Wendy J. Yunker, Sec/Treas.

**Maumee Watershed Conservancy District  
Audit Committee Meeting  
August 15, 2017**

The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District Audit Committee met in regular session at the District Office at 1464 Pinehurst Dr., Defiance, Ohio, on August 15, 2017. In attendance were Richard Ricker, George Ropp and Mark Moats, Directors; Clark L. Army, General Manager, Jim Weaner, Legal Counsel and Wendy J. Yunker, Secretary/Treasurer.

Dick called the meeting to order at 9:55 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 10:10a.m.

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Richard Ricker, Director

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Wendy J Yunker, Sec/Treas