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Pine River Association

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<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Fred Goetz, Sec./Treas.	Fred Eyer, Pres.	Bob Hess
Jake Miltner	Mark Gerke	Tom Johns
Tom Kromer	Diane Nelson-Hilfinger	Chris Martin, V. Pres
Steve Williams	Greg Weiers	Dick Hansen

The next board meeting of the Pine River Association will be held on Saturday, August 14, 2021, at 10:00 A.M. The meeting will be held at the Luther Library in Luther. We encourage all members to attend.

The M-55 Highway Clean-up by “The Friends of the Pine River” will be held on the below listed dates. . If you would like to assist in this worthwhile project, please contact Richard or Kathy Stanek at 231-862-3248 or email: riverbendbluff@gmail.com

September 27/28 - Monday, September 27 and rain date Tuesday, September 28, 9 A.M.

We would like to welcome our new member Ryan Carpenter – Grand Rapids, MI

The association would like to thank the following member for their generous donation to the association:

Geoffrey Bonebrake	Jack Epstein	Fred Eyer	Dave Gerke	Mark Gerke
Richard Stanek	Brad Williams	Bob Hess	Dick Hansen	

Annual association dues for 2021/2022 are now due. If you have not already done so, please consider renewing your membership at this time. Your continued support allows us to continue working on river projects. The current project at Silver Creek is due to start construction shortly.

Please submit your payment (\$15.00) Payable to: the Pine River Association and send to:
Fred Goetz
2763 Sandwedge Ln.
Pinckney, MI 48169

We have additional PRA window stickers available. We have two types, one that goes on the inside of the glass and one that goes on the outside. These are the same ones that were mailed out to each of the members. If you would like additional stickers, please contact Fred Goetz.

Approximately half of our members receive the newsletter and minutes via email. If you have and use email please provide us with your email address even if you prefer the newsletter mailed to you via the USPS. Occasionally information needs to be sent that that may be important to our members but using the USPS won't allow it to reach our members in a timely manner. Your email address will not be shared or given out to any third parties. Please send your email address to: fredgoetz@aol.com Also, if you would like your minutes and newsletter emailed let me know.

“To Preserve and Protect the Pine River and its Environs”

Association Annual Business Meeting
Minutes
June 26, 2021

Board Members Present- F. Eyer, F. Goetz, G. Weiers, T. Johns, R. Hansen, C. Martin, B. Hess, D. Hilfinger, M. Gerke, J. Miltner Members absent – S. Williams, T. Kromer

Call to Order- President F. Eyer called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM

Pledge of Allegiance – all present recited the pledge to the flag

Introduction of Members and Guests

Present were Jack Epstein and Shelly Hudson

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by D. Hansen Second by F. Goetz Motion passed

Announcements

No word on the grant at the time of the meeting.

Approval of Minutes of Annual Meeting June, 2019

A motion was made by D. Hansen to approve the minutes from the PRA Annual Business meeting held June 24, 2019 and was seconded by G. Weiers Motion passed.

Secretary Treasurer's Report

F. Goetz reported that the balance for the Pine River Association as of 5/31/2021 is \$7509.26 The balance for the Pine River Watershed Enhancement Fund as of 5/31/2019 is \$17,328.65

Motion To approve Treasurer's Report D. Hansen Second by B. Hess Motion passed

Proposed Budget

President Eyer presented the proposed budget. See accompanying handout. The projected spending for the coming year is \$1900.00

Motion to approve the proposed budget by D. Hilfinger Second by D. Hansen Motion passed.

Announcement of New members

New member is Ryan Carpenter of Grand Rapids

Election of Directors

B. Hess, D. Hansen, C. Martin, and T. Johns have all agreed to continue serving on the board.

Motion to close nominations and the board be elected by acclamation by F. Goetz Second by D. Hilfinger
Motion passed.

Pine River Watershed Enhancement Fund

Nothing at this time.

Silver Creek-Lincoln Bridge Status

At this time, the cost of this project has doubled. The DNR has issued permits for two of the three sites proposed. The third site is the Sugar Bowl which is the most in need of attention.

Knause is the contractor for the restoration. Logs and boulders underwater will be used for stabilization. Rip wrap will not be used.

Plans are in place to proceed with the project. F. Eyer will contact N, Winkler to determine the amount of money that needs to be collected.

There will possibly be a meeting of all of the stakeholders in August. J. Miltner and D. Hilfinger will attend.

Brainstorming for Future Projects

J. Epstein mentioned a possible restoration project near Pucklebrush.

C. Martin spoke about more education for those using the river. He suggested better signage at all of the launch sites.

There was discussion establishing scholarships for students via essay writing about what the river means to them.

Natural River Variance Board

There is a request before the board on a property off of 21 Mile Rd. There is a possibility that the board may not approve a variance that is prohibited by the Natural River Act. Brian Bury will not approve a variance at this time.

USFS Activities

F. Eyer shared that G. Marek had contacted him regarding a concern that ORVs are allowed on any forest service road that connects to a legal road in the Manistee National Forest.

There is a new district ranger for the forest and the PRA sends a copy of our meeting minutes to the district ranger and the Forest Supervisor in Cadillac.

Old and New Business

PRA Website. There have been 33 visits to the website in the last month.

Tucker Martin is waiting for suggestions for the website. One suggestion is to have courtesy hours for the river posted on the website.

C. Martin will look into having business cards made for the board members. These may be a generic card that can be used by all.

A suggestion was made to organize a bank clean up next spring.

Next Meeting

Next meeting will be on August 14, 2021 at the Luther Library at 10:00 AM

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by D. Hansen

Second by F. Goetz

Meeting adjourned at 11:35

Respectfully submitted Frederick Goetz

PINE RIVER ASSOCIATION
Proposed Budget
January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021

CATEGORY / REVENUE	% Budget	2021 Anticipated	Rationale Discussion	2020	
				Anticipated	Actual
Membership Dues (Includes Gifts & Clothing	100	\$1,900	Approx. 2020 Revenue	\$1,500	\$1,970
Gifts	0	\$0	Match 2020 Revenue	\$200	\$0
Interest	0	\$3	Match 2020 Revenue	\$3	\$2
Clothing Sales	0	\$0	Match 2020 Revenue	\$200	\$0
Miscellaneous	0	\$0	Match 2020 Revenue	\$0	\$0
Total	100	\$1,903		\$1,903	\$1,972
CATEGORY / EXPENSES	% Budget			Budget	
Postage	8	\$150	Same as 2019 Budget	\$150	\$118
Printing	5	\$100	Same as 2019 Budget	\$100	\$48
Paper & Envelopes	3	\$50	Same as 2019 Budget	\$50	\$0
P. O. Box Rental	3	\$56	Match 2020 Expense	\$50	\$56
Website Annual Fee & Domain Name	3	\$50	Annual Fee?	\$250	\$0
Miscellaneous	7	\$125	Same as 2019 Budget	\$125	\$25
Annual State Fee	1	\$20	Match 2020 Expense	\$20	\$20
Speaker Expenses	7	\$125	Same as 2019 Budget	\$125	\$0
Donation to PRWEF	52	\$1,000	Same as 2019 Budget	\$1,000	\$0
Clothing	12	\$230	Same as 2019 Budget	\$230	\$0
Total	100	\$1,906		\$2,100	\$267

ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

June 26, 2021

Board Members Present- F. Eyer, F. Goetz, G. Weiers, T. Johns, R. Hansen, C. Martin, B. Hess, D. Hilfinger, M. Gerke, J. Miltner
Absent:- S. Williams, T. Kromer

Call to Order Board of Trustees

President F. Eyer called the meeting to order at 11:35

Election of Officers

G. Weiers made a motion to elect the current slate of officers. Second by D. Hansen Motion passed

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by M. Gerke Second by D. Hansen

Meeting adjourned 11:40 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Goetz