

April 23, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

7:00pm - DRIVE conference room, 114 Woodbine Ln, Suite 103, Danville, PA 17821

MEETING ATTENDEES:

MARC BOARD MEMBERS

Mike Mills, Frank Dombroski, Tyler Dombroski, Kevin Herritt, Commissioner Dan Hartman, Dr. Kendra Boell, Bill Lavage, Chris Johns

MARC STAFF

Bob Stoudt

PUBLIC

Dan Bucaloiu, Andrei Bucaloiu, Ralph Schumacher, Ellie Jacks, Steve Jacks, Lesley Yeich

Call to Order

- Chairman Mike Mills called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Officer Reports

- Chairman's Report
 - Chairman Mills welcomed Dr. Kendra Boell as the new Montour County resident representative to the MARC board.
- Treasurer's Report
 - Bill noted a disclaimer on page 13 of the Ozark and Shultz report, noted errors in several areas, and recommended tabling the report. Bill also noted highlights of internal reports.
 - Motion by Dr. Boell to table the report until next meeting, 2nd by Dan Hartman; motion approved unanimously.
- Secretary's Report
 - Chairman Mills noted the March minutes.
 - It was noted that Kevin Herritt's last name was misspelled throughout the report.
 - Motion by Commissioner Hartman to approve the minutes with the necessary edits, 2nd by Bill Lavage; motion approved unanimously.

Partner Reports

- Washingtonville Borough
 - Frank Dombroski and Tyler Dombroski reviewed some vandalism that happened at one of the dugouts. Frank and Tyler also noted the upcoming Washingtonville Community Beautification day on Saturday, May 5, from 1 – 5pm, with a rain date of May 12. This will be followed by a cookout at the Dombroski house.
- Danville Borough
 - Kevin Herritt reported that Dumpster Day was completed this past weekend. Spring Fling is coming up on Saturday, May 5 on Mill St.
- Riverside Borough
 - Bill noted the river signage is still not re-hung. Bob stated it would be advisable to wait until the ground was more stable before re-hanging the boat launch signage.
- Montour County
 - Nothing new to report.
- Danville Area School District
 - Chris made note that the district is looking at the possibility of relocating the tennis courts onto the high school campus at a location adjacent to the stadium.

Public Comment

- Ralph Schumacher noted the upcoming Schumacher Rugby Classic to be held at the Hess Recreation Area on Saturday, May 26.
- Tyler also noted that he saw a group of Scouts cleaning up an area of Hess Field earlier this evening.

Assistant Director's Report (Jon Beam)

- Provided in meeting agenda packet

Maintenance Technician's Report (Dennis Piatt)

- Provided in meeting agenda packet

Director's Report (Bob Stoudt)

- Bob briefly noted portions of the Director's report in the meeting agenda packet, particularly the updated status of MARC's grants. Stoudt also noted recent updates at the Hess Recreation Area and the North Branch Canal Trail.

Old Business

- **Seasonal Maintenance Technician new hire**
 - Stoudt reported that Connor Durkin, MARC's current Seasonal Maintenance Technician, has accepted a summer internship near his home and, as a result, will terminate his employment with MARC at the end of Bloomsburg University's spring semester (end of April).
 - Bob received 5 applications for the position.
 - Motion made to hire Lesley Yeich as a new season Maintenance Technician at a rate of \$15.00/hour. Motion: Bill Lavage; Second: Dan Hartman; Motion passed unanimously.
- **Youth in Philanthropy grant application**
 - Stoudt reported that he had been contacted by Dave Decoteau on behalf of the Central Susquehanna Hammers Interscholastic Mountain Bike Team with a request for MARC's assistance with an application to the Danville Area School District's Youth in Philanthropy grant program. Stoudt received communication that the team will be awarded a \$1,000 grant at a ceremony scheduled for Wednesday, May 2 at the Danville Middle School Auditorium.

New Business

- Humdinger Trail Races 2018 planning
 - After receiving feedback from prior racers, the consensus is to keep the regular Humdinger (7.1 miles) and the Dinger Lite (4.3 miles).
- May 20 North Branch Canal Trail cleanup event
 - Stoudt said this event is pending at this point. He asked for those who would be willing to keep their schedules open. This will be pending approval from the Joint Rail Authority.
- 1994 Charles B. Degenstein grant application
 - Mike and Bob reported that we did not receive a grant from this foundation.
- **Discussion of MARC organizational structure**
 - Stoudt presented information for discussion at the meeting and a discussion ensued about the pros and cons of different organizational structures. The consensus was to proceed with a discussion by taking small steps towards looking at several of the options.

Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:42pm by President Mike Mills.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Johns
Board Secretary

next meeting: May 21, 2018

Revised 5/23/18 R. Stoudt (edited Secretary's Report; changed Dr. Marks to Bill Lavage)