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Pine River Association

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Chris Martin, V. Pres	Tom Kromer	Richard Stanek
Dick Hansen	Fred Walkington	Greg Weiers

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING PINE RIVER ASSOCIATION

NOTICE: The annual meeting of the Pine River Association will be held on Saturday, June 30, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. at Lakeside Charlie's Restaurant, Cadillac, MI. All members are encouraged to attend.

Business meeting starts at 10:00 A.M. and will include the election of board members (4) for 2021. Vern Richardson a DNR wildlife biologist will give a presentation on Black Bear Biology, Life History and Management. This should be an interesting subject especially with the increase in the black bear population in this area. The program will start at 11:00 and will conclude with lunch at 12:00. The lunch will be approximately \$12.00 plus tax and gratuity.

Please contact Fred Goetz at (734)878-6965 or email fredjgoetz@aol.com, on or before June 22, 2018 to make your reservation. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting! Each person will be responsible for their own lunch tab.

The M55 highway cleanup for 2018 by "The Friends of the Pine River" will be held on Monday, July 16. We will meet at 21 Rd. and M55. The last cleanup of the season is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 24. 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 for further information.

We have a new supply of long and short sleeve tee shirts available. Long sleeve shirts are available in L, XL, and 2XL for \$25.00. Short sleeve shirts are available in L and XL for \$15.00. We also have ball caps for \$15.00 and PRA patches for \$5.00. Please contact Fred Goetz at 734-878-6965 or fredjgoetz@aol.com to order.

If you would like to receive the newsletter and minutes via email please contact Fred Goetz. Email address: fredjgoetz@aol.com This helps reduce our postage and printing costs so more \$\$ go toward river projects.

"You can't be unhappy in the middle of a big beautiful river."

Jim Harrison

"To Preserve and Protect the Pine River and its Environs"

PINE RIVER ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2018

Meeting called to order at 10:05 A.M. by President, Fred Eyer

Pledge to the flag

Directors Present –T. Jobson, F. Goetz, F. Eyer, C. Martin, T. Johns, R. Stanek, V. Nelson, B. Hess, T. Kromer

Absent G. Weiers, F. Walkington, D. Hansen

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by T. Jobson Second R. Stanek Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2018 meeting by T. Jobson Second by D. Hansen Motion passed.

Approval of Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Balance for the Pine River Association as of 3/31/18 is \$2958.74 The balance for the Pine River Watershed Enhancement Fund as of 3/31/18 is 20850.36.

Motion to approve Secretary/Treasurer's report by T. Kromer Second by R. Stanek Motion passed.

Announcements

Friends of the Pine River Adopt-a-Highway clean up on M 55 is scheduled for April 30 2018. The next cleanup will be scheduled at a later date. Contact Richard Stanek at 231-862-3248 or riverbendbluff@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.

The Trout Unlimited Banquet is scheduled for the first Saturday in May.

Status of 2017-2018 Silver Creek – Lincoln Bridge Project

The project is in the engineering phase and is scheduled to go forward.

Log structures are scheduled to be worked on in October and November 2018.

F. Eyer said that the PRWEF is anticipating a \$10,000.00 donation to the project.

Coe Creek Update

There is nothing new to report at this time.

USFS Canoe Slide Bank

USFS has plans to work on the bank. F. Eyer received an email regarding the project.

Phase one calls for tree branches to be placed along the sides of the bank. Phase two is dependent on the success of Phase one. If Phase one is not successful then larger pieces would be placed along the sides of the bank. Helicopters would be used for this.

Pine River Watershed Enhancement Fund

T. Kromer has submitted a grant for \$5000.00 to the Lake County Community Foundation. The review committee does not meet until May 1, 2018 so there would be no word until the middle of May.

T. Kromer shared that most of the work is done on the river after October. His report on progress is due on October 1. He said that the committee has been cooperative with letting him have extensions on the report.

F. Goetz said that there will be a PRWEF meeting at the Annual Meeting in June. Also he has filed the income tax return for 2017.

Meetings/Contact with USFS

No further updates at this time

Annual Spring Float

No plans have been made at this time.

Natural River Variance Board

T. Jobson shared that there has been a pole barn built near the river. No permit was issued for the building. Brian Bury has been in contact with the owner. He will determine if a variance will be needed for the building. Wexford County is not aware of the situation at this time.

Emery Lake Pollution

G. Weiers reported that he has not been able to get into the property to see the lake. That is all private property. There was a concern about pollution of the lake by farm runoff. F. Eyer said that we should give feedback to the person raising the concern.

Old/New Business

Mark, Jacob and Alaney Miltner provided a power point presentation on removing tree hazards/blockages in the river. Miltner explained the methods and the rationale behind the cutting. The emphasis is on the safety of the tree cutters and those using the river. The cutting is done keeping in mind the rules and regulations of the Wild and Scenic River Act.

There is a memorial for Tom Rozich of the DNR. Contributions may be made to CRA in his memory.

T. Jobson was contacted by Laura Jacobson of the Kettunen Center. She is the program education coordinator for the center. Kettunen Center is hosting an Intergenerational Road Scholar Week, Michigan Wonderland, June 24-29, 2018. She is looking for someone to give a classroom presentation using slides and power point on the history of the Pine River and the logging era.

She would also like to do a two hour program on the river on June 25, 2018.

R. Stanek said he would talk to the curator of the Pine River Museum to see if there is any interest. T. Kromer will also speak to someone regarding this.

Annual Meeting

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Vern Richardson will give a presentation on Black Bear Biology, Life History and Management. This should be an interesting subject especially with the increase in the black bear population in our area

All members are encouraged to attend, see old friends, meet new friends all with an interest in the beautiful Pine River.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by T. Jobson Second V. Nelson

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick Goetz

**PAYMENT OF DUES
PINE RIVER ASSOCIATION**

Payment of dues for the year 2018/2019 are now due. Please renew your membership at this time. Please make your check payable to: Pine River Association and send to:

Fred Goetz
2763 Sandwedge Ln.
Pinckney, MI 48169

The amount due is \$15.00

Thank You!

Fred Goetz
Secretary/Treasurer