The Beaver Island Association

Supporting Environmental and Economic Sustainability

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting - July 21, 2013

4:30 p.m. Community Center

Called to order 4:35

Board Members Present: Peter Igoe, President; Craig Schrotenboer, Pam Grassmick, Bob Tidmore, Bob Anderson, Jim Jones, Taffy Raphael, and Ken McDonald. Absent: Lisa Welke

- 1. Welcome &Summary
 - a. Peter shared a brief history of our 25 years, founding members and initial initiatives (e.g., transfer station, sewer system, island development)
 - b. Peter shared some recent initiatives and support (e.g., road commission re repaving King's Highway, invasive species, BICS Career Day, island beach cleanup)
- 2. Financial Report
 - a. Report was presented by Peter Igoe with expansion of specific items led by various BI board members.
 - b. Motion to accept was moved and seconded.
- 3. Officers Election
 - a. 2012 meeting with discussion of reelection of Bob Anderson and Ken McDonald
 - i. Moved Anne Glendon and seconded Jim Birdsall
 - ii. Passed unanimously
 - b. Motion to reelect Peter Igoe and Craig Schrobenboer
 - i. Moved (Jim Birdsall) and seconded
 - ii. Passed
 - c. Motion to reelect Beth Leuck to a new three year term ending in 2016
 - i. Moved (Jackie LaFranier) and seconded
 - ii. Passed
 - d. Motion to elect Jeff Powers
 - i. Moved (Jackie LaFranier) and seconded
 - ii. Passed
- 4. School: Kitty M, Jessica Anderson (current president of BICS Board of Education) introduced Riley Justis
 - a. Riley described his background in Alaska and Detroit and targeting work with students with high needs, distance learning.
 - b. He described becoming familiar with the school and community and analyzing future directions.

- 5. Updated Beaver Island Natural Resources Recommendation Plan
 - a. Pam Grassmick introduced Pete Platrick who described the findings in the report, the Beaver Island Archipelago National Resources Management: From Consensus to Commitment to Capacity
 - i. Consensus what all could agree on
 - ii. Commitment who is willing to do what
 - iii. Capacity what is needed?

Have completed the first step and are in the process of the second. Report is available online:

http://binresc.org/?page=650

Motion to delegate authority to the board to consider pros and cons and, if warranted, formally support the report in writing to the Township Boards

Moved and Seconded (Jim Birdsall)

- 6. Update of BIA environmental initiatives
 - a. Craig shared initiative's progress in engendered and invasive species. It included reports based on inventories on the island, presentations on our approach to various Great Lakes communities.
 - b. www.misin.msu.edu -- website gives you information on every invasive species identified using roads (30 feet either side), trails (30 feet on either side), and coast to treeline
- 7. Suggestions for new items
 - a. Work with Riley Justis to support school activities, particularly around the area of technology initiatives, not simply assessment
 - b. Adult education offerings on the island for connecting with community members as well as parents of current students.
 - c. How to make use of the school building to provide education and can be offered during the year to create a community
 - d. Website 'meetup' type of information to elicit where people's interests lies
 - e. What do we do with the algae situation on the island?
 - f. What about the beech beetle, beech bark problem?

Moved and seconded -- Meeting adjourned: 6:10