

Minutes of the electronically conducted inaugural meeting of the Mid Michigan Aquatic Recreational Authority held Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

Members present: Allison Chiodini, Stan Shingles, Lisa Diaz Sytsema, Judy Wagley, John Zang. All members present indicated they were in Mt. Pleasant, Isabella County, MI except for Allison Chiodini, who was in Union Township, Isabella County, MI.

Members absent: None

Others present: Nancy Ridley, Jennifer Verleger, and Mark Stuhldreher

All present attended virtually via Zoom video conference.

Election of temporary chairperson

Lisa Diaz Sytsema volunteered to be the temporary chair to start the meeting and was acknowledged by the following vote.

Ayes: Chiodini, Shingles, Diaz Sytsema, Wagley, Zang

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion unanimously carried

Approval of Agenda

Stan Shingles made a motion supported by Judy Wagley to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Chiodini, Shingles, Diaz Sytsema, Wagley, Zang

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion unanimously carried

Public input on agenda items

None

Approval of the meeting minutes

None for this inaugural meeting

Presentations

Original sub-committee chairperson Mark Stuhldreher provided a presentation on the background for the formation of the Authority.

Old business

None

New business

Judy Wagley made a motion supported by Stan Shingles for appointment of officers as follows:

Chairperson: John Zang
Secretary: Allison Chiodini
Treasurer: Lisa Diaz Sytsema

Ayes: Chiodini, Shingles, Diaz Sytsema, Wagley, Zang
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion unanimously carried

Allison Chiodini made a motion supported by John Zang to set the regular meeting schedule to be the second Monday of each month beginning July 12, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. until the end of the calendar year. Group acknowledged that meeting dates and times can be amended as long as 18-hour notice is provided.

Ayes: Chiodini, Shingles, Diaz Sytsema, Wagley, Zang
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion unanimously carried

Discussion on bylaws included a request to have the conflict of interest language drafted in a way about needing to abstain from decisions where personal or family has a financial benefit. Agenda format will be changed to have staff/contractor reports. Any further discussion and vote on the bylaws will be deferred to next meeting.

Announcements on Authority related issues and concerns

- Group generally agreed to the next items on the agenda
 - Review of bylaws
 - Setting of next steps and timeline
 - Reporting back on bank account creation by Lisa Diaz Sytsema
 - Reporting back on insurance coverage by John Zang
 - Discussion on short term funding
 - Discussion on additional board members
- Judy Wagley indicated that a WCMU student intern was interested in doing a story. Group agreed to wait until after the July meeting.
- Authority agreed to send copies of agenda and minutes to the Mt. Pleasant Public Schools, Union Township and City each month.

Adjournment

Motion by John Zang and supported by Stan Shingles to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Chiodini, Shingles, Diaz Sytsema, Wagley, Zang
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion unanimously carried

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



Allison Chiodini, Secretary