MINUTES

KALKASKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING June 21, 2022

406 S Cedar St., Suite A, Kalkaska MI, 49646

The meeting was called to order by Chair Moses at 5:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Attending Directors and Staff:

Sam Fahl, Director Carol Hart, Secretary/Treasurer Dawn Moses, Chair John Roberts, Vice Chair Robert Baldwin, commissioner liaison Mark Randolph, District Manager Renee Penny, Conservation Specialist

Also in attendance: Danielle Fahl, Mark Gilson, Carol Nelson, Marilyn _____.

Not in attendance:

Dennis Iott, Director Seth Lanning, Huron Pines AmeriCorps member Larry Czelusta, FAP Forester Jodi Dehate, MAEAP Technician Monica Caster, District Conservationist – USDA/NRCS Jim Pawlowicz, MDARD

<u>Public Comment</u>: Ms. Nelson observed foresters are hard to find; RR square is attractive addition to Kalkaska.

<u>Compliments:</u> Mr. Randolph to Mr. Lanning for his kids' day program booklet and integration with the library program theme. Ms. Moses and Ms. Hart appreciated each other's attendance and participation at the MACD State Council meeting representing District 3.

Disclosure of Conflict of Interest: none

Approval of Minutes: Board approved the May 17, 2022 minutes as presented.

<u>Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills</u>: Motion by Fahl, supported by Hart to accept the Treasurers Report for May, 2022 and to authorize payment of bills for June, 2022, in the amount of \$2,889.01 and credit card payments of \$998.60 Motion passed.

Motion by Hart, supported by Roberts to pay Kalkaska Farmers Market bills in the amount of \$252.96. Motion carried.

Staff Reports:

Mr. Czelusta submitted a written report of accomplishments through April.

Ms. Dehate submitted a written report of accomplishments through April.

Ms. Penny reported on site visits, HHW reservations system online, and the MACD conference.

Mr. Randolph congratulated Ms. Penny for being awarded the CDEM Conservation District Employee of the Year for 2021 at the MACD conference closing luncheon.

<u>Commissioner Update:</u> Mr. Baldwin updated the board on progress on Rugg Pond engineering study and the status of the Kaliseum discussions. Mr. Baldwin invited board members to attend the special meeting on the Kaliseum.

<u>Friends of Conservation Update</u>: Friends will recruit volunteers for HHW and Tire Recycling events to be held July 23 and 30th, respectively.

<u>Grants Report</u>: Collaborating with the DDA for additional shade tree planting grant from Consumers Energy Foundation for downtown and along KART Trail.

MACD Update: Kalkaska CD is host of this year's Region 3 meeting. Directors from all districts in Region 3 are encouraged to attend.

<u>Farmers Market</u>: Motion by Hart, supported by FAhl, to make vendor reimbursements for WIC, SNAP, Project Fresh, Prescription for Health, etc., post approved expenses to allow reimbursement to occur sooner. Motion passed.

<u>Business</u>: The board discussed dates and possible location for the Region 3 meeting; Discussed Camp Grayling expansion concerns. No action taken.

Natural River Applications: None in June, but July and August are likely per the administrator.

<u>Correspondence</u>: Blue Lake – Cold Springs Civic Association letter was read into the minutes. The letter accompanied a \$1,000 donation to the district to support our work.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Mark Randolph, Recorder