



Subwatershed Committee

Thursday, July 13, 2023 | 2:00 PM – 3:15 PM

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Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions

Greg Slater & Karen Elliott (both with Crockery Lake Association); Renee VanHouten (Thornapple River Watershed Council); Senci PM and Matt Bain (LGROW); Ben Jordan (Ottawa Conservation District); Matt Hubers (Plaster Creek Stewards); Bill Otten (RRWP)?; Andrea Lubberts (PCS); Betsy Ludwick (Crockery Lake Association).

2. Schedule for 2023 - Meeting times 2:00-3:00 PM – Quarterly; Mostly Virtual

Except for the next meeting in September (@ Jamboree). Plastic Creek, Rogue River,

3. LGROW Reminders

- a. Social Media Sharing / Outreach
- b. LGROW can attend meetings/ events.
 1. Send us the calendar invite
- c. Data Repository

Upcoming event: Cultivating Resilience Workshop thru Ottawa Conservation District -

4. Hosting Events

- a. River cleanups monthly – add tentative date to google calendar.
 - a. August: Buck Creek – Aug 19th; Rush Creek – Aug 29
 - b. Plastic Creek is doing a clean-up during the week of September 9-16 – piggybacking on the WMEAC cleanup. Going out on three different days.
 - c. https://docs.google.com/document/d/18JoD3IABPBzID_km6ztSXGZG-EVaZuGld44i0XlcDYw/edit?usp=sharing
- b. Watershed Jamboree Event Planning
 - a. Renee TRWC Update: *The TRWC annual cleanup on September 16th. TRWC is hosting jamboree, on the 16th, in Ada. Subwatershed groups will meet at 2:00. Public is welcome from 3-5.*

b. Subwatershed Displays/Tables

- 1 Please table at this event with your groups materials and any news/updates, etc

News: Wendy Ogilvie retirement October 31 ...

5. Roundtable

a. Subwatershed Updates

- a. What groups applied for the [FY23 Request for Watershed Council Support Proposals \(michigan.gov\)](#)

b. *RRWP? (Dana said there were 10 applicants in GR area); Bill Otten – RRWP did submit for the grant.*

c. *PCS update: hired Matt Hubers – first fulltime education and outreach coordinator; PCS applied for the grant; applied for a separate grant; parking lot retrofit on Calvin Campus; flood bench restoration upstream; working on curb cuts; lots of little projects – working with Sacred Grounds; working with students, including the High School Green Team; potlucks; mussel surveys with EGLE (13-14 species);*

d. *TRWC: working on getting cleanup organized; jamboree; networking with township governments.*

e. *Crockery Lake: Trying to clean up the lake; meeting next Wednesday on potential cleanup methods. Lake Improvement Board? Testing by Dr. Jennifer Jones from Spring Lake. Using NT Max in lake and inlets. (Joined by Linda Lane – lake landowner).*

f. *Ottawa Conservation District: 319 grants – working with farmers to get cover crops; 1000 of no-till. Waiting on a couple of grants – Bass Creek, Rush Creek, Pigeon... Applied for Subwatershed Council Support grant. Biggest update: maybe running into some money from Ottawa County – originally from a lawsuit. Might be able to use these funds for monitoring and/or best management practices. Will know in about a month.*

6. Shoreline Restoration Site Tour

a. Waders

b. QR Code

7. Adjourn

- a. Next meeting: September 16th, 2023 @ Legacy Park in Ada - 2pm