**Ottawa River Coalition Meeting Minutes**

**July 18, 2024 8:00 am Ohio Energy Manufacturing Center**

**General July 2024 Meeting**

*In attendance:*

Joe Gearing, AC Engineer’s Office Lydia Archambo, Allen SWCD Russ Decker, Nutrien Kevin Cox, Perry Township Marcus VanMeter, AC Engineer’s Office Ron Meyer, Sanitary Eng. Megan Hurd, Alloway Dakota Clay, City of Lima

Melinda DeLaRosa, ASWCD Denise James, LACNIP

Savanna Parker, ASWCD Intern Riley Ibaugh, ASWCD Intern

Chap Reynolds, Allen Science John Hoffman, Alloway

Quorum was met. Chairman Adam Haunhorst called the meeting to order at 8:08 am.

Ron Meyer welcomed the group to the July 2024 Meeting. Members introduced themselves.

Ron Meyer introduced the minutes from May 2024 Annual meeting.

*Motion by Kevin Cox to approve the May 2024 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Joe Gearing and carried.*

**Treasurer’s Report**

Financial Report-

* Russ Decker presented the July 2024 financial report.
* The unencumbered funds balance of our account as of 7/1/2024 is $19,732.24
  + Payment made to fairgrounds for fishfry

*Motion by Kevin Cox to Approve July treasures report. Motion seconded by Megan Hurd and carried.*

* Membership: NA

**Committee Reports**

Executive Committee-

* The executive committee met on June 14, 2024
  + We discussed the Fish Fry and sign up sheets.

Fundraising Committee

* We are in good shape for the fish fry! A sign up sheet was passed around and will be passed around and sent out until the day of the event.
* Old barn out back is committed to our event whether they sell or not.
* Focus on GOOD silent auction items gathering.

Community Relations-

* Lydia Archambo introduced her Summer interns to present on their summer education activities.
* Riley Ibaugh and Savanna Parker presented on the different clubs they were able to help Lydia Archambo with through out the summer.

Stormwater Committee-

* + Joe Gearing (County)
    - the Bluelick and 65 Wetland has seeding soon
    - two stage ditch plans coming out soon
    - Bridge updates
    - Petition ditches on Dutch hollow and Indian brook are being worked on
  + Lydia Archambo
    - Reminder that if you see what you think is illicit discharge let Lydia or EMA know.
    - Interns have been completing outfall monitoring
  + Dakota Clay (city)
    - West street bridge is looking to be open end of August

Scholarship Committee-

* Russ Decker says the scholarship is open until end of July. GET THOSE APPLICATIONS IN!

**Old Business**

* Allen SWCD sign the 2024 Executive Director contract. ORC gets to keep Lydia for another year.

**New Business**

Next meeting: September 19, 2024 – City of Lima

Member reports

* Russ Decker – Nutrien is gearing up for a “turn around” this is a cleaning time for the machines. Therefore Russ would like us to know that the factory will look and sound different for about four weeks. There will also be more traffic in the area.
* Lydia Archambo – ASWCD is going through a server change so hopefully we don’t loose anything. Lydia has heard from a few people that her emails have been ending up in SPAM and TRASH so if you have not heard from her in a while check those files.
* John Hoffman – Welcomes everyone to take a tour of the facility after the meeting. There are three sites with active “EvnviroGo” stations conducting water quality testing.
* Dakota Clay – City of Lima Public works is now located at 675 market street while construction takes place

*Motion by* Russ Decker *to adjourn the July 2024 meeting. Motion seconded by* Kevin Cox *and carried.*

Minutes transcribed by Lydia Archambo, Executive Director