

Michigamme River Basin TIFA

Minutes for May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012

Meeting called to order by Chuck Hurst at 5:40pm

Present: Chuck Hurst, Ikey Todd, Kim Isaacson, Norine Maki, Gary Johnson, Wulf McNeill

Absent: John Jilbert

Agenda approved: (several items added) Norine Maki

Second: Wulf McNeill

Minutes approved: Gary Johnson

Second: Kim Isaacson

Public comment/open discussion:

Old business: Chuck Hurst presented a lease agreement with option to purchase for the dam and instructed us to read through it, calling our attention to key points contained in the agreement and to meet on June 30<sup>th</sup> to amend it. Wulf McNeill asked if by the wording "lands" contained in the agreement included the rock dam, Chuck Hurst said it did not. Gary Johnson stated that work was being performed on the town's generators so they could be used to raise and lower the center gate. One generator runs. Chuck Hurst asked if we could rent a generator if need be, Gary Johnson said yes. All this needs to be in order before we lower the gates. Gary Johnson wants Chuck Hurst to ask Roger Crimmins if he will let us operate the gates.

Ikey Todd asked if this could happen after May 30<sup>th</sup> to allow for the project committee to meet onsite with the DEQ while the water is low so both the gated dam and the rock dam could be viewed in there entirety. Chuck Hurst stated that we need to find out all possibilities concerning establishing and maintaining a basin from the onsite meeting. Gary Johnson stated that the town's books have been reconciled so a grant can now be applied for the water lines. TIFA money wasn't settled, but now is with a payment schedule. The auditor is coming back and then another budget deficit reduction plan will be implemented to show TIFA moneys. The town board may help further with expenses. Chuck Hurst stated that the TIFA may be able to pay DPW for dam gate operation. Gary Johnson stated that in June subcommittees may be able to meet with Kennecott. He also talked to Tom Edmark for a liability insurance quote. He said that we can either go without or contact Lloyds of London. The idea of setting up an LLC dedicated for the dam was brought up. He also stated that there is still 2 years left on our active repair permit.

New Business: Chuck Hurst stated that the minutes taken during meetings need to be structured in such a way so as not to violate confidentiality with any contracts that we may be entering into and April's minutes were amended to reflect this.

Chairman report:

Vice Chairman report:

Secretary report:

Treasurer report:

Supervisor report:

Project committee report:

Finance committee report:

Public comment/open discussion:

Adjournment: 6:25pm

Respectfully submitted,

Wulf McNeill

  
Secretary