

**APPROVED MINUTES
WATER RESOURCES & ADVISORY BOARD**

A meeting of the Water Resources & Advisory Board held on **Tuesday, March 7, 2023** at **7:00 p.m.** in the Geer Conference Room at City Hall, 27600 Jefferson Circle Drive, St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

PRESENT

Chairman: Joe Claycomb

Commissioners: Warren Danford
Robert Krompatic Jr.
Michael Monaghan
Theresa Paulus

ABSENT

Alex Lince, excused
Robert Michielutti, Jr., excused
Glenn Sexton, Building Official, excused

ALSO PRESENT

Jim Osterhout, Building Official
Veronica Black, Recording Secretary
Marc Point, 10 Mile – Beach Canal Association
Gregg Paulsen, 32630 Jefferson
Tim Beard, 10 Mile – Beach Canal Association
Victor Vellay, Active Contracting
Ryan Stefanski, 22456 Benjamin
Deborah Conradre, 27936 Sunnyside
Kathleen Fortunato, 21818 Woodbridge

1. CALL TO ORDER

Claycomb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Danford made a motion, supported by Paulus, to excuse Alex Lince, Robert Michielutti Jr., and Glenn Sexton from the meeting.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alex Lince, excused, and Robert Michielutti Jr, excused.

MOTION: Passed

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

4. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 7, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Monaghan made a motion, supported by Danford, to approve the February 7, 2023 meeting as presented.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alex Lince, excused, and Robert Michielutti Jr, excused.

MOTION: Passed

5. **Canal Case #08-2023 – Active Contracting LLC on behalf of Marc Point and the fellow residents of the 10 Mile-Beach Canal – Dredge canal 20' wide from canal mouth at lake to west approximately 800'. Dredging approximately half of approved EGLE permit amount of 1,500 cubic yards. Raising bottom of dredge elevation approximately 1'.**

Marc Point and Tim Beard, 10 Mile-Beach Canal Association, and Victor Vellay, Active Contracting LLC, present.

Chairman Claycomb referenced the May 8, 2023 start date listed on the Water Resources application. Vellay confirmed that the project is scheduled to start on May 8, 2023.

Victor Vellay, Active Contracting explained hydraulic dredging, and the method in which they will haul away the spoils. The contractor compared the equipment to a giant vacuum that will suck up the sludge on the bottom of the canal. The fill will be placed at the address of 22505 Beach, then hauled away. The fill will then be repurposed by the owner of Active Contracting, who owns a landscaping company. Vellay stated that the sludge has been tested 180 times. No public drains drain into the canal. The Soil Erosion permit submitted for this project was recently approved by CDI.

A discussion occurred on de-watering tubes and issues that arose for previous projects in the past using similar equipment. Active Contracting explained the mitigation methods they will have on-site to eliminate any issues that may arise.

Active Contracting brought a visual aid of a sediment control sheet, which will be changed daily, and is used to, protect the manhole covers. They also provided the Board with informational folders with more information on their equipment.

The residents of 10 Mile-Beach have all signed off on dredging.

The purpose of the dredging is to clear the canal and make it usable for boat travel. Tim Beard, 10 Mile-Beach Association, stated that last year the residents couldn't use the canal due to the need for dredging.

Monaghan made a motion, supported by Paulus, to approve Canal Case #08-2023 – Active Contracting LLC on behalf of Marc Point and the fellow residents of the 10 Mile-Beach Canal – Dredge canal 20' wide from canal mouth at lake to west approximately 800'. Dredging approximately half of approved EGLE permit amount of 1,500 cubic yards. Raising bottom of dredge elevation approximately 1'.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alex Lince, excused, and Robert Michielutti Jr, excused.

MOTION: Passed

Ryan Stefanski from the Maple-Benjamin Canal Association introduced himself, he will appear before the Board in April 2023 for approval.

6. **Lake Case #09-2023 – Maritime Marine on behalf of Gregg Paulsen – 32630 Jefferson – Rebuild existing 70' dock, install one new four-post boat hoist.**

David Alderman, Maritime Marine, was unable to attend. Homeowner Gregg Paulsen present.

On the Water Resources application, the contractor circled the "agent" next to the homeowner's information, but this was erased. The homeowner confirmed that they are not the agent; only the homeowner.

The Board confirmed that they were able to view the site location and had no questions.

Krompatic, Jr. made a motion, supported by Monaghan, to approve Lake Case #09-2023 – Maritime Marine on behalf of Gregg Paulsen – 32630 Jefferson – Rebuild existing 70' dock, install one new four-post boat hoist.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alex Lince, excused, and Robert Michielutti Jr, excused.

MOTION: Passed

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Jim Osterhout stated that Glenn Sexton will be returning to the Water Resources Board as the staff liaison.

Osterhout referenced previously approved Canal Case #01-2022 for 23017 Ardmore. The Ardmore Park homeowner's association is concerned with canal navigability. The plans are consistent with what was approved in March 2022 by the Board. He may have to re-appear before the Board if his plans change. Community Development has requested legal advisement on the easement listed on the plot maps for the canal.

8. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Two audience members raised the question on the cleanliness of the water. Krompatic Jr. advised that the Waterfront Advisory Board would be most appropriate for this concern.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Monaghan made a motion, supported by Danford, to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alex Lince, excused, and Robert Michielutti Jr, excused.

MOTION: Passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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