

**Peoria Lakes Basin Alliance
Tuesday October 10, 2017
TCRPC Offices**

MINUTES

ATTENDEES:

The Nature Conservancy:	Jason Beverlin, Doug Blodgett
Heartland Water Resources Council:	Tom Tincher, and Wayne Ingram
Tri-County Regional Planning Commission:	Michael Bruner, Reema Abi-Akar, Eric Miller, Ray Lees, Russ Crawford, and Army Corps of Engineers: Marshall Plumley, and Jackie Veninger via phone

I. Call to Order

Van Winkle called meeting to order at 12:00

II. Public Comment

No public comment

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes for September 19, 2017

- Beverlin moved to approve the September 19, 2017 minutes and Ingram seconded. Motion carried.

IV. Peoria Lakes Comprehensive Conservation Plan.

1. Project Review Committee member list (Handout)
 - Bruner explained the PRC member list updates. He mentioned that Dr. Boddu is interested being on the committee and can help in any technical or advisory way. Ingram said this is a reasonable addition.
 - Blodgett said to not have duplicate persons of knowledge on PRC and we should not pursue Mike Demissie.
 - Tincher said we need to find someone to replace Goff and to switch retail to landowner and suggested, Altorfer, Kristy or Par-a-dice
 - Ingram asked if we contacted the Coast Guard and Bruner said that USACE was going to contact them. Marshall said they will get back with us.
2. Discussion of PRC Prioritization Tool
Bruner asked Marshall to present the tool, and framework of USACE criteria.

- Blodgett asked about the independent measures. Should we go forward with 20 to 30? Marshall responded you can have as many as you want.
 - Crawford said the criteria should be tailored with 4 objectives and the PRC cannot alter the criteria or weights. We should review with PRC committee and explain their roles and responsibilities and to have a handout of all definitions ahead of time before reviewing the tool. The results need to go back to PLBA and then someone from ACOE or PLAB contact the owner of border of water to accept the changes from the ACOE, then give a handout of the things we will be evaluating.
 - Marshall said this is a collaboration effort and should be well defined of what the PRC needs to do. Need to keep scientific and Professional support but define their responsibilities.
 - Blodgett needs a better explanation of tools, measures, and weights.
 - Beverlin feels we need to postpone Nov. 1 meeting until we understand the process.
 - Veninger said we will be tracking all input for PLBA, public, and projects for PLBA. Everyone needs to give all ideas.
 - Miller said to have a list of projects and see if there is anything else to add. Go by measurers and tool to rate projects at home then bring back to next meeting.
 - Crawford disagreed on taking and doing at home. Needs to be within the group.
 - Beverlin said we need sub-steps for the process.
 - Crawford said all measures can be sent to Bruner of ACOE. We need to quality control of same projects.
 - Bruner said to email measures to him within 48 hours so he can forward onto ACEO.
 - Miller said you should not close off ideas at table.
 - Miller suggested to have Bruner develop what tool is (worksheet)
 - Blodgett said we need to prioritize all pieces.
 - Miller said to make sure and not side step cost.
 - Tincher added that these projects can create outside funding also pay for another project. Crawford said to have cost effectiveness to cost criteria and Miller seconded. Motion carried.
3. Discussion of PRC agenda
 4. Discussion of submitting additional projects to USACE for the development of factsheets

V. Member Reports

1. Heartland Water Resources Council- nothing to report
2. The Nature Conservancy- nothing to report
3. Tri County Regional Planning Commission- nothing to report

VI. Other

Next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, November 14th cancelled.

Crawford said the next meeting will be Nov. 1 and 2nd on Jan. 30th Miller seconded. Motion carried.

VII. Adjournment

Adjourned at 3:30 pm