

PEORIA LAKES BASIN ALLIANCE
Tuesday October 11, 2016
12:00 pm
TCRPC Offices

MINUTES

ATTENDEES:

The Nature Conservancy:	Jason Beverlin, Doug Blodgett-via phone
Heartland Water Resources Council:	Steve Van Winkle, Tom Tincher
Tri-County Regional Planning Commission:	Darrell Meisinger, Russ Crawford and Eric Miller
EDC	Shae Birky-via phone

I. Call to Order

Beverlin called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes for September 13, 2016

Meisinger moved to approve the August 9, 2016 minutes and Van Winkle seconded. Motion carried.

III. Approval of Entering into Agreement with US Army Corps of Engineers to Pursue Peoria Lakes Conservation Comprehensive Plan Work

- Miller presented the short version of the budget. Update that Nature Conservancy final letter was approved. Also time sheets have been sent to Corp. For approval.
- Full Commission will take formal action on contracts when complete. They are on board with project. There has been an extension until Dec. 9th for all information. Corp. will then send back when approved.

Van Winkle moved to approve entering into agreement with US Army Corps of Engineers to pursue Peoria Lakes Conservation Comprehensive Plan Work and Crawford seconded. Motion carried.

IV. Member Reports

1. Heartland Water Resources Council

Tincher explained the strategy of saving the lake and economy possibilities.

2. The Nature Conservancy

- Beverlin mentioned that youth water fowl hunting is Oct. 15th
- Blodgett announced they gave tours of Emiquin to EDC staff.
- Blodgett mentioned they lost 75% of cattail habitat due to high water levels.
- Blodgett also mentioned the Illinois River Coordinating Council is having it ¼ year meeting at Dickson Mounds.

3. Tri-County Regional Planning Commission

- Miller reported they are working on an n agreement and sub-agreement with the Corp.

V. Other

- Mr. Birkey is working on a storm sewer plan for EPA; Riverfront Dredging Plan is stalled; working on Downtown Vision Project (Green Space); Port Project Revival.

VI. Discuss Next Meeting Date

Meeting is set for Nov. 8th @12:00. If no agenda items it will be cancelled.

VII. Adjournment

Van Winkle moved to adjourn at 12:45 pm and Tincher seconded. Motion carried.