

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SECTION COUNCIL**

**April 27, 2022
10:00 am eastern**

VIA Teleconference Only

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 10:04 am by Chair Sadler.

Council members and officers present by phone or video: Sadler (Chair), Sinkwitts (Chair-elect), Schebor (Secretary/Treasurer), Hammersley, Sanford, Hayden (dropped off at 10:16 am), Barbash-Riley, Roach, Kissling (joined at 10:20 am)

A quorum of council members was present (six required).

Section administrator Mary Anne Parks was present, as well as James Enright, Kyle Kowinski, Kelly Martorano, and Tammy Helminski (Immediate Past Chair).

1. Approval of December 8, 2021 meeting minutes (All)
 - a. After review and discussion, Hammersly moved to approve the minutes; Sanford seconded. Motion approved.
2. Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Schebor)
 - a. Discussion on current state of finances.
3. 2022 Bar Leadership Forum Attendance, June 10-11 Approval
 - a. Discussion regarding the leadership forum which will be held on Mackinaw Island. After review and discussion, a motion was made by Sinkwitts and seconded by Sadler, to reimburse Schebor up to \$2,000 for expenses incurred for attending the leadership forum, if he is able to attend. Motion approved.
4. Administrator's Report (Parks)
 - a. Recently worked on the Clearing the Air conference which was held on April 14th, and now switching to the Summer Program. Also still working on making sure that everyone is receiving Constant Contact.
5. Chair's Report (Sadler)
 - a. Nothing to report, other than the summer program, which discussion transitioned into next agenda item.
6. Summer Conference, June 9, Michigan Wildlife Center
 - a. Still fleshing out the topics. A discussion on the title was discussed. Another program committee meeting is scheduled for next week.

7. Subject Matter Committee Reports
 - a. Air (Kissling/Collins)
 - i. No report. Parks stated that we are still working on the amount of revenue generated for it and final registration numbers.
 - b. Hazardous Substances and Brownfields (Enright/Maloof)
 - i. Enright mentioned that they are working on a webinar. Originally considered doing one in May, but may move it back so it does not conflict with Summer Program.
 - c. Natural Resources, Energy and Sustainability (Sadler/Lundgren)
 - i. Sadler mentioned that nothing is currently scheduled.
 - d. Great Lakes and Inland Waters (Schroeck/Hammersley)
 - i. Hammersley stated that they are currently working on a water themed issue for an upcoming SBM Journal. Have two great articles in it. One is on PFAS and the other is on Great Lakes shoreline issues and where the public trust has evolved.
 - e. Environmental Litigation & Admin Practice (Steiner/Kearney)
 - i. No report.
8. Standing Committee Reports
 - a. Desk book (Haynes/Martorano)
 - i. No report.
 - b. Program Committee (Schebor)
 - i. Schebor reported that they are working on the summer program. This agenda item was discussed in more detail earlier in the agenda.
 - c. Environmental Law Journal (Urban)
 - i. No report.
9. New Business
 - a. Ad Hoc Committee Member Outreach (Konwinski)
 - i. Kyle Konwinski mentioned that he has had outreach to the law schools and there is interest in attending the summer program.
 - b. Pursuing a Paid Outside Speaker
 - i. Chair Sadler encouraged member to think of speakers and topics, including any big ticket paid speaker. Mentioned that she had a lead on one, but it likely will not work.
 - c. Open Discussion on Pending Environmental Law Issues
 - i. Discussion regarding general experiences and thoughts with enforcement matters from EGLE and USEPA.
 - d. Future Meeting Schedule
 - i. Next Council Meeting - June 9, 2022 at 11:30 am
 - ii. Discussion on other future meetings – will likely have one in August, but no date has been set.

Motion to conclude meeting made by Sinkwitts; Seconded by Sadler. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:48 am.