**Ottawa River Coalition Meeting Minutes**

**May 15, 2025 8:00 am LARPC**

**May 2025 Bi-monthly meeting**

*In attendance:*

Lydia Archambo, Allen SWCD Ron Meyer, Sanitary Eng. Dakota Clay, City of Lima Melinda DeLaRosa, ASWCD Chad Reynolds, Allied Science Megan Hurd, Alloway Adam Haunhorst, Regional Planning Jared Gessler, EMA

Leslie Riley, Tri-moraine Russ Decker, Nutrien

Jessica Begonia, City of Lima John Knippen, City of Lima

Phylis Henderson, LACNIP Steve Webb, Guardian

Ben Schnipke, Guardian Marcus VanMeter, ACE

Joe Gearing, ACE

Adam H welcomed the group to the May 2025 meeting..

Adam H introduced the minutes from March 2025 meeting

*Motion by Megan H.. to approve the May 2025 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Dakota C. and carried.*

**Treasurer’s Report**

Financial Report-

* Russ Decker introduced the May 2025 Financial Record
  + Fish Fry net assuming – $7,321.00
    - $371 – 50/50
    - $3085 – Silent auction
    - $1400 – placemats
    - ~$5,000 – pre-orders
  + Really great turn out for the fish fry and we made a profit!
* Lydia Archambo stated that the Form 990 has been filed with the IRS and is available by request with her at her office.

*Motion by Adam H. to Approve treasures report. Motion seconded by Jared G, and carried.*

* Membership:
  + NA

Executive Committee – Adam Haunhorst

* The executive committee met April 30
* Discussion was had on the Fish Fry review

Fundraising Committee -Russ Decker

See above with Financial report

Tired of Tires/Clean up – Lydia Archambo

* Ottawa River Clean up went really well Best turn out in 5 years +
  + Jessica and the City are looking at how the clean up will look in the future and what roll the city can play in term s of the “neighbourhood specialist” role will not be the same. With 2025 being the last year for the old city logo on the t-shits all new clean up shirts will need to be bought for 2026 and on
    - Russ states the ORC will be able to help with funding for the clean up in some way
* Be on the look out for tired of tires dates

Stormwater Committee-

* + Joe Gearing (County)
    - Updating the County SMESCR
    - 2 stage ditch projects
    - Ditch hollow ditch project has been bid for
    - Breese road project is done
    - Marcus is leaving June 11
  + Dakota Clay (city)
    - Central Ave project is going well
    - Lima Veterans memorial project
    - Rivergate structure for WWTP
    - Aquatic Park going well
    - Electrical project going well
    - Use SeeClickFlix App!
  + Lydia Archambo and Melinda DeLaRosa (County)
    - Interns start on Monday May 19th!!

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Committee Reports**

* Megan H.
  + Alloway busy season is coming up
  + Lots of private home owners requesting testing
* Chad R.
  + Summer is always busy at Allied
  + Recent conferences the last few weeks have been very beneficial in learning about funding changes and opportunities to P-Phos
* Ron m.
  + Shawnee treatment plant is still underway
* EMA
  + Updating drone plan
  + One spill reported so far this year located on US 30 (~100 gal of diesel spilled but none got into the river)
  + Updating hazmat plans
  + EHS site visits
* Adam H.
  + Flood plan development
  + Encourage you to read “walk, bike Ohio” as it is updated
* Phylis H
  + So happy I was able to help at the fish Fry this year
* Russ D.
  + Best April in Nutiren HISTORY for ammonia!
  + Celebrating 70th anniversary
    - One time grant for none profits
    - Must be completed by the end of 2026 and for the $70,000
    - Employees get to pick the winner
    - Email [lima70th@nutrien.com](mailto:lima70th@nutrien.com) for more information
* Leslie
  + ONU graduation is coming up
  + One student still looking for a summer internship
  + Tri-moraine had a native plant sale that went well
* Jessica B.
  + Ground breaking for the 9/11 memorial project starting soon
  + Moving forward with river front 1 property project (most of it is behind the scenes but moves are being made)

*Motion by Russ Decker to adjorn the May 2025 meeting. Motion seconded by Joe Gearing and carried.*

Next meeting will be July 17 – Allied

September meeting – September 18 – Sanitary Engineer (tentative)

Minutes transcribed by Lydia Archambo, Executive Director