

**CLEARFIELD CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES  
MEETING OF  
APRIL 16, 2019**

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The meeting was called to order by President Dane Kalwanaski with the pledge to the flag. There were 9 members present and one visitor, Shannon Johns, from the Cambria County Conservation District. Dane welcomed Shannon to our meeting. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Bryan Rabish was then passed “accepting the March 19, 2019 minutes”.

**Secretary’s Report:**

Jerry reported that he had purchased an ink cartridge for the CCWA printer.

**Membership Committee:**

No new memberships were received this past month. As reported earlier, memberships continue to come in at a very slow rate. Once again, I ask you to send in your membership, if you have not done so already. Thanks to all who have.

**Public Relations/Historical Committee:**

Ray had nothing new to report under public relations.

**Finance Report:**

Ray reported that he still has lots of fishing derby tickets ready to be given out. This is a major fund raiser for the fishing derby, so we ask you to help sell or purchase some tickets. The fishing derby is on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Dane reported that CCWA recently had an annuity mature from Oxford Life Insurance and this money was reinvested by Roy Holtz, a financial adviser, with Eagle Life Insurance at a higher rate. The annuity value was \$79,507.22.

**Treasurer’s Report: given by Shawn Simmers, April 16, 2019**

**Deposits:**

Annuity-Oxford Life	\$79,507.22	General Fund
Donation- Knight of Columbus-9622	\$ 50.00	Fish Fund

**Expenses:**

Eagle Life Insurance	\$79,507.22	General Fund
Dan McMullen-Quickbook fees	\$ 37.10	General Fund
Jerry McMullen- Ink cartridge	\$ 45.04	General Fund
Mountain Research- Brubaker testing	\$ 125.00	General Support Fund

Shawn reviewed the accounts. There were no issues. A **motion** by Ed McMullen and seconded by Dick Dotts was passed “to accept the treasurer’s report and to pay the invoices.”

### **Grant Committee:**

Art has not heard from the Foundation of PA Watersheds of approval of our grant request for \$5,000.00. Art is looking at a grant that is from ARRIPPA, administered by WPCAMR, that is due May 1. The grant request will be for Swank lab costs.

### **Cleanup Committee: Cleanup Results-April 7<sup>th</sup>**

The cleanup of Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> went very well. We had 30 volunteers who picked up 90 bags of litter, 20 tires, and other odds and ends found along the roadway. A big thank you to all the volunteers who came out to help and a big thanks to Joe Yartin who had walked a large section of the stream.

Shannon reminded the members present that the Cambria County Conservation District is sponsoring a Tire & Appliance cleanup. Please watch the local papers for the date and times for the cleanup in your area.

**Tech Committee:** The following Tech Report was presented by Art Rose-Chairman of the Tech Committee: **Tech Committee Report- April 16, 2019**

Klondike Project Lab results from 3/17 show net alkaline water from both KL1 and KL2. An inspection is due this month. An attempt to sample the Colin Box showed that the inflow pipe was disconnected. Colin will repair this soon.

West Ferris Project Lab results from 3/17 show net alkaline effluent from all 3 systems, with low Fe and Al. Discharge 32R3 from the seepage area continues to show net alkaline water with moderate pH. A new sample was collected from 32R3 on 4-16, with field pH 6.0. Ph values in the upper seepage area on the side toward the highway showed pH mostly below 3, indicating that this water is similar to the long-term seepage water. Probably the more alkaline results at 32R3 are due to mixing of high flows of effluent from System 2 and 3 with the seepage, and will disappear when normal flows resume. Dane has tried to contact Moyer but with no success to date. He will get in touch with him and discuss our System 4 grant. The contract for WF4 construction was signed and returned to DEP.

Sand Springs Project Lab results for the 3/17 sample show low acidity and moderate pH, with very high flow. We need to install new weirs at 2 sites on the Cooney side of the highway.

Gibson Project Lab results from 3/17 continue to show good treatment to net alkaline condition with less than 1 mg/L Fe and Al. The intake pipe was cleaned by Ed and will be improved in the near future. The solar panel on the upper system appears broken. We need to fix this, determine the flushing day from the computer, and accomplish the 184 diversion.

Little Laurel Sampling The acidity at the mouth of Little Laurel Run continues to be low, single digits. The weir at the mouth needs repairs.

Swank Project Samples from 3/25 collected by Ed and others show partial treatment as before.

Brubaker Project Lab results for 3 samples collected 3/3 show significant acidities and metals (BBC-16, -22 and -26). The acidities for CCWA-B and BBC-9 are considerably less than normal, probably due to the high flow. The area was sampled by Dane on 4/7 and will be sampled again in early May, including a visit to BBC-26 with Tom Clark. A map of well locations was sent to Dane for use in re-staking the wells but was mailed to the wrong address. This will be re-sent if necessary.

Ace Drilling Project This site was inspected on 3/25 by Ed McMullen and Chuck Sutton. A leakage was seen from one pond but is relatively small and should be repaired during the upcoming work. An invoice was sent to DEP.

Dataloggers No new data. Bryan will be checking soon.

EPA 319 meeting At this meeting on 4/9, it was announced that 319 proposals will probably be solicited in the next few months. We will want to submit for design of the Sand Springs project.

**To Do as of 4/16/19**

<u>Project</u>	<u>Interval</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Last Done</u>	<u>Do by</u>
<b>KL1-KL2 Inspection</b>	M	Shawn, Dan	3/16/2019	4/30/2019
KL1-KL2 sampling	Q	Dan	3/16/2019	6/30/2019
<b>MRU Sampling</b>	M	Art	4/16/2019	5/30/2019
<b>WF Inspection</b>	M	Dan	3/16/2019	4/30/2019
WF Sampling	Q	Dan	3/16/2019	6/30/2018
<b>WF Flushing duration</b>		Art	10/1/2018	10/31/2018
<b>Sand Spring Weir sampling</b>	M	Shawn, Dan	3/16/2019	4/30/2019
<b>Sand Springs new weirs</b>				4/30/2019
<b>Gibson inspection</b>	M	Shawn	4/x/19	5/31/2019
<b>Gibson intake improvement</b>		Ed		2/28/2019
Gibson sampling	Q	Shawn	3/16/2019	6/30/2019
<b>Gibson flushing observation</b>	Q?	Art	10/1/2018	10/31/2018
<b>184 sampling, weir</b>	M	Shawn	6/14/2018	10/31/2018
<b>L. Laurel mouth weir repair</b>				5/31/2019
Swank insp. And sampling	Q	Ray	3/25/2019	6/30/2019
Little Laurel sampling	Q	Dan, Dane	3/16/2019	6/30/2019
<b>Brubaker sampling</b>	M	Dane	4/7/2019	5/10/2019

**Old Business:**

**CCWA Brochure:** Dick had spoken to Rebecca Holler at a Clearfield County event. We will have to get back to Rebecca with the information needed to update our brochure.

**Brubaker Wells:** As mentioned above, Art had sent a map of the Brubaker wells to be marked to Dane. Dane is looking at costs for the stakes to be purchased for this project.

**New Business:**

**Clearfield County Conservation District- Annual Awards Banquet:** Dick Dotts attended this Awards Banquet and represented CCWA. Dick stated that the banquet was very nice and well attended. The Watershed Stewardship Award went to John Potts, a lifetime member of CCWA. We want to thank Dick for representing CCWA at this event.

**Fishing Derby Check Off List:** At this time the members present went over a lengthy checkoff list for the fishing derby. We will be stocking Dysart Dam on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. We will also be cleaning up around the dam after the fish stocking and setting up the tent, so volunteers will be needed.

**Next Meeting: May 21, 2019 Conference Room, Prince Gallitzin Park Office, 6:30 PM.**

**Adjournment:** On a **motion** by Dolores Rose and seconded by Ray Hollen the meeting was adjourned.