

**CLEARFIELD CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
MEETING OF
December 17, 2019**

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The meeting was called to order by President Dane Kalwanaski with the pledge to the flag. There were 10 members present, no visitors. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Dave McMullen was then passed "accepting the November 19, 2019 minutes." Dane reminded all present that the minutes were being taped.

Secretary's Report:

Jerry reported that he had purchased a roll of stamps for the upcoming annual mailing. He still needs to purchase a box of envelopes. Jerry had a copy of the Landowner-Grantee Agreement between the Balzano's and CCWA. He also stated that he will be working on the SGOC application, once it is received from the Cambria County Treasurer's office. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Dave McMullen was passed "to approve the check for \$125.00 for the SGOC license." After the SGOC license is received we can proceed with ordering the tickets for the annual fishing derby on May 16th.

Dick Dotts had a copy of the renewed Special Use Permit for the Ace Drilling site. We want to thank Dick for taking care of this permit renewal. CCWA also received a copy of the statement from the Community Foundation of the Alleghenies for the quarter ending on September 30th. It showed a positive growth in our fund.

CCWA has received a letter from both the Cambria County and Clearfield County Conservation offices concerning changes to the NPDES permits. Jerry is to contact Bryan Rabish at the Cambria County Conservation District to review the change requirements. Finally, Jerry had a copy of the work in progress Watershed News that we send out with the annual mailing for review.

Membership Committee:

No new memberships were received this past month.

Public Relations/Historical Committee:

Ray stated that he had nothing new to report.

Finance Report:

Ray handed in all of the money to Shawn for the pallet of beer tickets. Dick Dotts sold the winning ticket to Bill Shoff. Bill donated the winnings back to CCWA. Special thanks to Bill. Dane is to send a thank you card to Bill.

Treasurer's Report: given by Shawn Simmers, December 17, 2019

Deposits:

Clean Stream Foundation- Ace Drilling	\$ 200.00	General Fund
Ticket Money-Pallet of Beer	\$2000.00	SGOC Account

Expenses:

Jerry McMullen- Stamps	\$ 55.00	General Fund
QuickBooks	\$ 42.40	General Fund
Dan McMullen- Iron testing kits	\$ 52.81	Water Testing Grant
Fairway Labs -water samples	\$ 75.00	Water Testing Grant Account
Michael Sossong	\$ 87.50	General Fund

Shawn reported that all deposits were made, and all expenses were paid this past month. He reviewed the account balances and indicated that they match with the bank statement. Jen and Dan are working with Shawn on the Quickbook setup.

A **motion** by Ed McMullen and seconded by Dan McMullen was passed “to accept the treasurer’s report and to pay the invoices.”

Grant Committee:

Art has applied for a \$3,000.00 Dominion’s grant to cover lab expenses for testing on Little Laure Run and Brubaker. Dan reported that he has applied for a \$300.00 Dominion’s grant to cover the cost of new brochures.

Nominations Committee:

Dave McMullen was nominated for the at large Board position by Dick Dotts, seconded by Ed McMullen. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Ray Hollen was then passed “to close the nominations, at this time.” Election for this position will be held at the annual meeting on January 21, 2020.

Tech Committee: The following Tech Report was presented by Art Rose, Chairman of the Tech Committee. **Tech Committee Report- December 17, 2019**

Klondike Project The site was inspected and sampled on 11/3 by Shawn and St. Francis students. Unfortunately, St Francis has not been able to do the lab analyses, so the quarterly sampling should be repeated this month. Colin visited in late November and cleaned the box. Since then, a new lock on the gate, plus hunting season has prevented easy access to the site. We are arranging key access for selected members.

W Ferris Project Because of the landowner’s locked gate, access has not been possible the past month or more. Dane talked with Mr. Moyer yesterday. He and Shawn will meet with him this weekend. We need to check the performance of the WF2 VFP which had problems with the flushing valve. A new valve will be furnished by the manufacturer. We need to decide what to do with the EPA319 grant.

Sand Springs Project The flow was sampled on 11/3 but no lab results. We need to install new weirs on the Cooney side. We await news on our proposal for design and permitting.

Gibson Project The site was sampled by Shawn and St. Francis on 11/3 but lab analyses have not been received from St. Francis. We will re-sample in the near future.

Little Laurel The mouth was sampled on 11/3 but we have only pH data. Re-sampling is planned. A short report was sent to Donna summarizing work in Little Laurel watershed since 2016. About 75% of the acidity has decreased since WF and Gibson came on line.

Swank Project This site was sampled by Ed and Chuck on 11/19. Lab results show treatment is moderate, as previously. A decision of hauling limestone sand to the site has not been possible owing to hunting season, but will be determined soon.

Brubaker Project Samples collected by Dane on 11/17 show generally low acidities in upper Brubaker samples. Site CCWA-B is strongly alkaline, indicating that excess alkalinity from Bender treatment currently neutralizes other sources. We can defer additional sampling in the upper watershed (CCWA-9, -7, BBC-26, -28) and establish a new site on Brubaker Run just above BBC-22 in order to establish the section of stream contributing unrecognized acidity in past samples at CCWA-B.

Water Data Dane is to check on the drop box.

Ace Drilling No activity; payment received.

Datalogger No activity

To Do as of 12/17/19

<u>Project</u>	<u>Interval</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Last Done</u>	<u>Do by</u>
KL1-KL2 Inspection	M	Shawn, Dan	11/3/2019	1/31/2020
KL1-KL2 sampling	Q	Dane, Dane	9/8/2019	12/31/2019
MRU Sampling	M	Colin?	8/9/2019	9/30/2019
WF Inspection	M	Dane, Dane	9/8/2019	10/31/2019
WF Sampling	Q	Dane, Dane	9/8/2019	12/31/2019
WF2 Flushing repair		Dane, Dan		9/30/2019
WF Sys 4 quarterly	Q	Dane, Dan	9/8/2019	12/31/2019
Sand Spring Weir sampling	M	Shawn, Dan	11/3/2019	12/31/2019
Sand Springs new weirs				4/30/2019
Gibson inspection	M	Shawn	11/3/2019	1/31/2019
Gibson sampling	Q	Shawn	11/3/2019	12/31/2019
Gibson flushing timing		Bryan	9/10/2019	9/30/2019
184 sampling, weir	M	Shawn	6/14/2018	10/31/2018
L.Laurel mouth weir repair			9/19/2019	
Swank insp. And sampling	Q	Ray	11/19/2019	3/31/2020
Little Laurel sampling	Q	Dane, Dane	11/3/2019	12/31/2019
Brubaker sampling	M	Dane	11/15/2019	?
Ace Drilling inspection	Q	Ray	11/19/2019	3/31/2020
Brubaker additional sources				9/30/2019
Brubaker drillholes		Bryan		

OLD BUSINESS:

CCWA Brochure: Work on the brochure is still pending.

Fluids Purchase: Dan will be purchasing new fluids for our testing equipment.

Gallitzin Bore Hole: Ed noted that the bore hole at Gallitzin is flowing like crazy versus last month when it was reported to be dry.

New Business:

Meeting Cancellation: Dane discussed that if schools are closed or if evening activities at schools are canceled, we may cancel our meeting. We will attempt to notify those who normally attend the monthly meeting.

KL-1: It was reported that there are trees down across the roadway into KL-1. Dane will take a chain saw and clear the road the next time he is at KL-1 doing water sampling.

Thank You: Jerry is to purchase a box of candy from Mid's as a thank you to Prince Gallitzin Park for letting us use their conference room for our monthly meetings.

Next Meeting: January 21, 2020, Conference Room, Prince Gallitzin Park Office, 6:30 PM. Note: This is our annual meeting, all are invited to attend.

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