

CLEARFIELD CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
MEETING OF
May 17, 2016

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The meeting was called to order by President Ed McMullen with the pledge to the flag. There were 15 members present, Michelle Merrow from Alder Run Engineering, Steve and Sue Krieger- contractor WFW and Tim Denicola from Skelley & Loy, Inc., consulting engineers. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Earl Smithmyer was then passed accepting the April 19, 2016 minutes.

Secretary's Report:

Jerry reported that he had met with Mike Kane, director of the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies. Jerry requested a clarification in the language of the endowment agreement with CCWA. Jerry also had as copy of the endowment agreement for Ed to sign. Members present had a few questions about the endowment fund that Jerry is to report on at the June meeting.

Membership Committee:

There were a total of 2 memberships received this past month, one a renewal and the other a new membership. Dick continues to solicit memberships. I want to thank everyone who has sent in their membership for 2016.

Public Relations/Historical Committee: Ray reported that there were two articles recently in The Mainliner. Dick also gave Ray an article from The Progress covering the March minutes.

Finance Report:

Earl reported that he will soon be mailing out the dam cleanout tickets. Ray reported that he has about \$2,500.00 fishing derby tickets out and some for sale. We want to thank Dick who has sold \$510.00 of fishing derby tickets.

Treasurer's Report: Dane Kalwanaski, May 17, 2016

Dane was unable to attend the May meeting, therefore, there is no formal report from him. Shawn presented Dane's report below:

1. Bank change name, is now Penn Crest Bank-Cresson Community Bank merged with C & G Savings.
2. Taxes are filed and I have received confirmed that it was received. A copy is included for anyone who wants to review.
3. Please keep all bills and deposits. I will fill out the checks this weekend and disperse.
4. Michelle and I are going to reconcile accounts next week some time.
5. I will be at the dam on Friday, approximately 4:30 PM with check for the hatchery.

6. Port-a-John from Kamzik is scheduled to arrive this Friday at the dam. No handicap model was available. It is scheduled to remain until 6/21/16.
7. I will have the sign-in sheets prepared for Saturday. George K. will be coming to help with the cooking and food.
8. It would be of great interest to CCWA to recruit an accountant to fulfill the treasurer accounting duties.

The taxes filed is the 990 form and we want to thank Dane for all the hard work and time required to complete this form. As discussed in the past the Board may have to look into getting professional help for our financials, tax forms, and general accounting duties since we have some very large projects.

One invoice was received from Mountain Research-\$25.00 Klondike sampling. Two donations were received for the fishing derby: Ray Walker-\$250.00 and Montgomery Plumbing & heating- \$100.00. We want to thank these donors.

A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Dan McMullen was passed “to accept the treasurer’s report and to pay the Mountain Research invoice.”

Grant Committee:

Dan stated that he had nothing new to report at this time.

Shawn Simmers Presentation:

Shawn reported that the company that he works for, Cambria Cogen, received a call from Rachel about removing a large waste coal pile- 80,000 to 100,000 tons, from an area near La Jose. Water from the pile runs into Wilson Run stream that has a trout hatchery owned by Susquehanna Rod & Gun Club shortly below the pile. The sediment loading has had an adverse effect on the fish growth. It would be a good project for the Cambria Cogen and would help to clean up the environment at the same time.

Tech Committee: The following Tech Report was presented by Art Rose- Chairman of the Tech Committee: **Tech Committee Report- May 17, 2016**

Klondike Project A sample on 5/17 showed pH and alkalinity. The system was overflowing slightly and may be partly plugged with iron. We need to investigate methods of cleaning out the iron.

West Ferris Wheel Project See later discussion.

Gibson Project See later discussion.

Beldin Project Our construction proposal was not funded. A survey by Todd Coleman shows that the discharge and a small part of the proposed treatment system are on Bender land rather than on the block being transferred to the Game Commission. We are contacting Bender to obtain their agreement to the access road and the small portion of the treatment system on their land.

Swank Project No activity.

Brubaker Project Our design proposal was not funded. We need to discuss other sources of funding, and furnish the needed data to support the QHU status for Clearfield Creek. The Environmental Engineering group at St. Francis University was contacted and is willing to conduct the sampling on upper Brubaker Run, but we need to find about \$1,500 to pay their expenses for this work.

Amsbry Project Our construction project was not funded. We need to discuss with DEP what we can do to justify funding this work, and/or look for other sources of funding.

Glasgow Project This system continues to treat very well.

The Following Is Michelle Merrow's Report, Presented by Michelle Merrow, Alder Run Engineering: May 17, 2016.

West Ferris Wheel: project is progressing although the contractor has been slowed up by the recent rains. Contractor is wrapping up the second of the three systems with some minor field adjustments. The contractor has placed some aggregate on the road and it is in much better shape. Michelle and Steve met with BCSWA about possible using their wood chips. Unfortunately, it does not meet the required specifications. Are 2 pay apps for the Board to review.

Gibson-Halstock: project is progressing but also slowed by the recent rains. Quarterly report has been sent in. There are 2 apps for payment for the Board to review. I am developing plans to address the 2 new AMD discharges and seeking funding for this additional work. CCWA has a verbal commitment for funding from Donna Carnahan and DEP. The additional work planned is not holding the contractor up.

Data Logger: Bryan reported that he had sampled the data logger yesterday, May 15th. He will be sending Art the data from Match, April and May.

Ace Drilling Site: Ray reported that the site will be sampled in June for this quarter.

Old Business:

Website Update: Tegan reported that the website calendar and list of events is up to date. All minutes are on the website except for the most recent month. Note: I have recently been on the CCWA website and it looks great. I encourage you to take a look at it. Special thanks to Tegan for all of her effort on the website.

Dick Dotts- Dumpsite Cleanup: Dick reported that he had talked to Kelly Williams and Jodie Brenamon and then contacted John the landowner about available funds to clean up the tires. No funds are available but if less than 25 tires they can be disposed of for \$2.00/tire.

Forcey Coal, Inc.-Passive System: Dick had talked to Steve from the DEP office and Dick should be getting the sampling report soon.

Fishing Derby Checklist: Members present reviewed the checklist for the upcoming fishing derby on Saturday.

New Business:

Board Meeting: As a matter of record the Board of directors met after the regular meeting to discuss the WFW and Gibson-Halstock project and to review some pay apps from the contractors.

Next Meeting: June 21, 2016, Conference Room, Prince Gallitzin Park Office, 6:30 PM.

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