

**CLEARFIELD CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES  
MEETING OF  
MAY 21, 2013  
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The meeting was called to order by President Ray Hollen with the pledge to the flag. There were 13 members present for the meeting plus Jackie Williams from Alder Run Engineering. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Earl Smithmyer was then passed accepting the April 16, 2013 minute with one correction. In the April minutes Earl had talked to John the onsite employee at the solid waste site, not John Frederick. Ray reminded all present that we were taping the minutes.

**Secretary's Report:**

Jerry mentioned, as usual, he has received several e-mails this past month. He also reported that, at this time, he does have an adequate number of membership cards. We may have to order some for the annual mailing in December.

**Membership Committee:**

One new membership was received this past month.

**Public Relations/Historical Committee:**

Ray reported that Dick had given him a few articles that appeared recently in The Progress newspaper: Ray said he received a card from a 4 year old girl who wanted to thank us for stalking fish and thanks for the fishing derby. Ray also had a picture that was in the local paper showing Earl receiving the Dominion's grant. We want to thank Justin Edger for showing up at the fishing derby and doing his usual great coverage.

**Finance Report:**

Larry was unable to attend the May meeting; therefore there was no finance report.

**Treasurer's Report: Dane Kalwanaski**

Description	Amount	Account
<b>Deposits:</b>		
Slovikosky Stone & Mulch	\$ 200.00	Fish Fund
Slovikosky Excavating	\$ 50.00	Fish Fund
Butler Restoration	\$ 150.00	Fish fund
Allegheny Mtn SCI	\$ 500.00	Fish Fund
Membership	\$ 10.00	General Fund
DEP Reimbursement	\$8,543.56	Gibson
Ticket Sales	\$2,400.00	SGOC
50/50	\$ 215.00	SGOC
Chair Raffle	\$ 57.00	SGOC
Food Sales	\$ 432.50	Fish Fund
Scott Sutton	\$ 150.00	Fish Fund

Roy & Lynn Holtz	\$ 100.00	Fish Fund
Conrad Home Builders	\$ 50.00	Fish Fund
Don Dimmick	\$ 50.00	Fish Fund
RH Dotts Energy	<u>\$ 29.00</u>	Fish Fund
TOTAL	\$12,936.56	
<b>Expenses:</b>		
NeoNexus	\$ 19.95	Gen Fund
Alder Run Engineering	\$ 283.56	Gibson
Alder Run Engineering	\$8,185.00	Gibson
Alder Run Engineering	\$ 773.75	WFW Phase I
Alder Run Engineering	\$ 212.60	WFW Phase I
Alder Run Engineering	\$7,638.75	WFW Phase
Green Springs Trout Farm	\$1,748.00	Fish Fund
Jason Haney (1 <sup>st</sup> prize)	\$ 250.00	SGOC
Bill Erndl (2 <sup>nd</sup> prize)	\$ 150.00	SGOC
Bill Lidwell (3 <sup>rd</sup> prize)	\$ 100.00	SGOC
Bob Funicelli-prize reimb	\$ 618.85	Fish Fund
Penn Cambria-TIC project	\$ 2.76	Reveg 319 (Closeout)
Alder Run Engineering	\$ 857.50	WFW Phase 2
Alder Run Engineering	\$ 10.05	WFW Phase 2
Kate Kalwanaski-flowers reimb.	\$ 38.93	General Fund
Earl Smithmyer	\$ 89.25	Fish Fund
Earl Smithmyer	\$ 9.95	KI-2
Mahaffey Labs	\$ 140.00	General Fund
Mahaffey Labs	\$ 25.00	Dominion 2013
Mahaffey Labs	\$ 56.00	Dominion 2013
Wessel & Co.	<u>\$ 700.00</u>	General Fund
TOTAL	\$21,909.90	

Listed above are the deposits and expenditures for the past month. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Dan McMullen was passed authorizing the payment of all invoices and to accept the Treasurer's Report. Please see attached Treasurer's report for the General and Grant Accounts.

**Grant Committee:**

Dan had nothing to report. As mentioned above, there was a good picture of Earl in the paper receiving the Dominion Grant.

**Dam Cleanout Committee:**

Earl mentioned that we have the dam cleanout tickets available. Ray has volunteered to take care of the ticket sales. They are available in packs of 10. Cost per ticket is \$5.00. We are asking for help in selling or the purchase of some tickets, so please contact us. We did manage to sell 33 of these tickets at the fishing derby.

**The Following Is Michelle Merrow's Report, Given By Jackie Williams, Alder Run Engineering:**

**Ferris Wheel Revegetation Phase 2**—Soil sample data came back from the lab, and identified deficiencies in nitrogen and phosphate. Application rates of 100 lb/acre of urea nitrogen and 100 lb/acre of 11-52-00 fertilizer to provide the phosphorus. This comes out to: 18 acres Phase 2—1800 lbs 11-52-00 and 1800 lbs urea  
12 acres Phase 1—1200 lbs 11-52-00 and 1200 lbs urea

Quotes for fertilizer and application of fertilizer have been requested. Here are the quotes so far, and we need 3 quotes (quotes are to do both phases):

APPLICATION OF MATERIALS	MATERIALS, WITH DELIVERY
John Slovokosky-hasn't called back yet	Cresson Feed Mill \$2256.50
Krieger Excavating-working on price	Curwensville Feed Mill—working on price
Meadville Land Service-hasn't emailed back yet	Tyrone Feed Mill—working on price

Does anyone have any other local suggestions? Please let us know immediately so we can request a quote. Quotes are supposed to be due for Friday.

**In order to still get this done before it gets too hot, we are asking for approval to the Board to give the go-ahead on the application when the quotes are in, before next month's meeting.**

**A progress report has been presented for signature for the period through March 31, 2013. Jackie still doesn't have the Penn Cambria invoice to do the expense report submission for the \$1000 supplement through March 31, 2013.**

**Jerry is to contact Mr. Baird, Principal at Penn Cambria Middle School.**

**West Ferris Wheel Construction Phases 1 and 2** – A progress report was submitted through March 31, 2013, for both projects. Applications for reimbursement are being prepared, so if Art or anyone has any invoices for that period, please provide to Jackie. DEP contacted Art and asked why there was no invoice—we were trying to keep ahead with the reporting.

CCWA met with David Hamilton from OSM regarding the additional funds. OSM seems willing to provide the money. There was some discussion about OSM also providing funding for the compost repair on the Klondike site. OSM can fund the maintenance on the Klondike, but needs matching funds. As discussed at the meeting, Michelle called Doug Goodlander of DEP to discuss a change in scope for the West Ferris Wheel project to allow OSM to provide approx. \$30,000 for the Klondike site, but he will be calling back to discuss this in detail in Donna's absence.

ARE provided an application with supporting documents to David Hamilton at the meeting, but if the scope and budget change, there may need to be some changes. **If these issues can be worked out with DEP, we may be asking for a signature of a revised budget before the next meeting, if CCWA can approve this.**

It looks like it will be 4-6 weeks to get the OSM money, but we expect it might be a little longer. Krieger Excavating is willing to wait until this is resolved.

Attached is a cost estimate for repair of the Klondike compost and replacement with new compost material, including 2 feet of a compost-wood chip-limestone mix, as

discussed with Art. To submit the application, we will need a narrative of how this improvements will work at the Klondike site, from Art, if CCWA will be including the \$30,000 for the Klondike.

**Gibson-Halstock** – Art and Brian Merrow met to look at the area of concern at the site. It seems that we can construct in this area and incorporate the low flows from it into the treatment system. The system will be shifted slightly toward the stream to an area of milder slope, but will remain out of the riparian wetlands. **We need a decision to include the rock lined channel in the design and permits or not, so we can get this wrapped up and permits submitted.** DEP indicated that a construction contract will be coming to CCWA soon.

**Amsbry** – Financial info submitted to DEP, as it was previously signed by CCWA. Design info presented to Art for his review and discussion.

**Morgan Run Ross**—Treatment system is online and working well. The iron levels are getting lower in the effluent, which is good. Effluent pHs are over 7, and pH in Morgan Run is up over 1-2 pH points. The trees were planted, so the project will be closed out for June 30. CCCD will be taking over the post-construction monitoring from here on out.

In terms of project paperwork, the ACOE closeout forms for the stream crossing general permit and treatment system waiver were submitted, and the permit was transferred to Randy and Anita Ross.



**Morgan Run 7**—Work has resumed, the site is seeded, and the settling basin is being filled with water in preparation for turning on flow to the test cells, which will be done at the convenience of CCCD. Completion paperwork will be prepared for the next meeting.

**Tech Committee:** The following tech report was presented by Art Rose, Chairman of the Tech Committee Art Rose: **Tech Committee Report-May 21, 2013**

Klondike Project The site was inspected and sampled on 5/21. About 1/3 of the flow of 22 gpm was overflowing, indicating continued permeability problems in the system. Earl Smithmyer re-established flow into the slag bed and conducted minor maintenance on inflow channels on 5/16. One crab shell unit was flowing. The possibility of funding renovation of the KL1 pond was discussed with Dave Hamilton of OSM. A plan and justification for this funding will be prepared by Rose.

**Note:** a very lengthy discussion was held by the members present as to what we can possibly do with the KL1 vertical flow pond. Many viewpoints were presented as to how to correct the problem. As this time we will wait to hear from Dave Hamilton, OSM, about possible funding.

West Ferris Wheel Project The site was visited on 5/16 for a tour with Dave Hamilton of OSM along with Michelle Merrow and Earl Smithmyer. Approval of funds will take about 6 weeks and will have to be coordinated with the Klondike proposal above.

Gibson Project The site was visited with Brian Merrow on 4/19. It was decided that the small discharge in the area of the proposed ponds was not a significant underground opening, and that the pond could be moved down the hill. Preparation of a Good Samaritan application awaits word on the finalization of the Bender-Game Commission agreement, and the boundaries of the transferred land.

Old Beldin Mine A discussion with Jim Walters on the land situation is planned for the near future.

Brubaker Project A visit to the site is planned to examine current flow.

Swank project Amanda Conrad continues to sample every 2 weeks. A set of limestone samples was collected for study of carbonate content and coatings.

Amsbry Project The wording of the final report was discussed with Michelle Merrow, to deal with questions on maintenance of the system, effluent chemistry and possible flood problems. A draft will be available sometime soon.

**Note:** a **motion** by Dan McMullen and seconded by Dick Dotts was passed authorizing Dan to purchase a 2 X 12-12 foot and a 2 X 12-16 foot for weirs to be installed at the KL1 and Beldin sites.

Data Logger Art mentioned that he had received the latest data from Bryan. Bryan reported that the data logger on Slate Lick is doing fine. The data logger on Witmer Run has a problem with sediment collecting in the piping. Nate, Cambria Co. Conservation District, is to take a look at this next month.

Ace Drilling Site-Site is to be sampled on June 4th by Ray, Dick, Chuck, and Earl. Meeting at Earl's 8 AM on this date.

### **Old Business:**

**Display Board:** Rebecca Holler had the updated display board at the fishing derby. The members reported that Rebecca did a great job and the display board looked very professional. In appreciation for all of Rebecca's hard work on this project a **motion** by

Alene Smithmyer and seconded by Dolores Simpson was passed authorizing the purchase of a Sheetz gift certificate for Rebecca.

**Fishing Derby Review:** Fishing Derby was a huge success; weather was great, approximately 116 children participated, we had a total of 27 donors for the derby, therefore lots of great prizes, 210 fish were measured, as usual baked goods were outstanding. We cannot thank enough all of the donors and volunteers, especially Bob Funicelli, who helped make this another highly successful fishing derby.

**Tree Planting:** The seedlings that we received from the PA Game Commission (thanks to Dan Yahner) were planted on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. With the many volunteers-17, things went very well. Approximately 410 trees were planted. There is discussion as to whether we can have the PA Game Commission use their equipment to plant trees on the reclaimed Ferris Wheel Reveg site next year.

**New Business:**

**Board of Directors Meetings:** The Board of Directors met on April 23<sup>rd</sup> after the tree planting to approve the payment of the above listed five invoices, under the Treasurer's report, for Alder Run Engineering. These had been inadvertently missed for approval at the April meeting.

**DEP Treatment Plant:** Jerry asked if there was any update on the DEP plant that is to be built in the Cresson area. Art stated that the contract for design is pending at this time.

**Next Meeting: June 18, 2013, Laurel Run Sportsman's, Dysart, 6:30 PM. Please note this is our summer meeting site.**

**Final Note:** Art mentioned that he and Delores are engaged. This news came as a pleasant surprise to the members present. We wish them the best of luck.

**Adjournment:** On a **motion** by Dave McMullen and seconded by Ed McMullen the meeting was adjourned.