

**CLEARFIELD CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
MEETING OF
JULY 19, 2011
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The meeting was called to order by President Elect, Ray Hollen, with the pledge to the flag. There were 14 members present. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Dan McMullen was then passed accepting the July 19, 2011 minutes with the change. Ray mentioned that we are taping the minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

<i>Deposits</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Account</i>	
	Clean Streams - Ace	230.00	Gen Fund	
<i>Expenses</i>				<i>ck no</i>
	Earl Smithmyer - Supplies	50.20	Gen Fund	272
	Mahaffey Labs	50.00	Amsbry t	
	Mahaffey Labs	25.00	Gibson t	
	Mahaffey Labs	50.00	KL-Rose t	
	Alder Run	5.09	MR-Frog	418
	New Enterprise	6,891.00	Swank	419
	John Slovikosky	3,450.00	Swank	420
	Cresson Feed Mill	228.00	Swank	421

Dane mentioned that Ray Hollen needs to stop into Cresson Community Bank in order to have his name put on the signature card for CCWA authorizing Ray, as an officer, to co-sign checks. Earl's authorization to sign checks will be removed, at this time. Dane also mentioned that he will have to order checks.

A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Bryan Rabish 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.

Secretary's Report:

Jerry stated that he did make a \$25.00 donation to cover the cost of copies that he runs off monthly. He will also have to purchase stamps and envelopes.

Membership Committee:

Nothing new to report this month.

Public Relations/Historical Committee:

Ray reported that the historical book is updated. Pictures from the fishing derby are pending and will soon be added to the book. Ray is also looking for pictures of the bore hole off Plank Road near Cresson.

Finance Report:

Larry mentioned that he still has not received a copy of the SFU report from Madeline Wolf but will follow through on this. Larry suggested that even though we do not have the final copy on a CD, we do have paper copies of this report and should move forward. Especially mentioned is a facebook page and twitter account. Once again, we are looking for a volunteer that can help to set up and manage these accounts.

Grant Committee: Dan mentioned that he and Shawn continue to look at funding sources for various projects (please see Dam Cleanout Project below).

Cleanup Committee:

Earl reported that we barely had enough volunteers-14- for the August cleanup. We want to remind people early that the next cleanup is Sunday, September 25th, 9 AM, meeting at Laurel Run Sportsman's in Dysart. Please put this on your calendar since this is both a roadway and stream cleanup. Lunch will be provided.

Also discussed was sending a letter of appreciation to PennDOT for getting the bolts picked up from the guard rail project of last summer along Route 53 between Ashville and Syberton. It was a long time coming and, although they missed a few, PennDOT did follow through on this.

Dam Cleanout Committee: The dam cleanout committee, chaired by Earl, met on July 21st. The goal of the meeting was to get a cost estimate for this project. Minimum estimate (depending on fuel costs) is between \$15,000 to \$20,000. Also discussed were the permits needed, cubic yards of fill to be removed, and possibly a handicap ramp as part of the project.

Eddie Bender has given us permission to store the refuge from the cleanout on his property until it dewater. Earl has also contacted Rob Piper, Cambria County Conservation District, to ask if Rob can assist us with the permits required. We will also need an erosion and sediment plan approved by the Conservation District.

Discussion was also held on funding sources-Dan had talked to Rebecca Holler, TU. CCWA would like to see an upstream project completed to limit the amount of inflow of sediment. Laurel Run is an approved native trout stream.

Jerry also had gotten a copy of the deed for the dam and a map of the site from Cambria County courthouse.

In summation, many items are being discussed for this project and we are open to input and volunteers to assist with funding, the upstream project, permits, etc.

Tech Committee:

Below is the tech report submitted by Art Rose and given by Jerry McMullen, since Art was unable to attend the August meeting.

Tech Committee Report-August 16, 2011

Klondike Project Results from samples collected in July indicate that the system continues to remove high proportions of the iron. On 8/14, a small amount of water is again flowing in the stream feeding the slag bed. Attempts are being made to pipe this water into the slag bed.

West Ferris Wheel Project A proposal prepared by Art Rose and Alder Run Engineering for construction of phase 2 treatment systems to treat the 2 small streams flowing into this area was submitted to the EPA 319-DEP program on August 4... This proposal is for \$528,616. It will be advantageous if we can combine the construction of Phases 1 and 2, perhaps next spring. A separate version of this proposal is being prepared by Alder Run for submission to the Growing Greener Program on 8/26.

Gibson Project The discharge was sampled in July, when it had very low flow but chemistry similar to previous samples.

Amsbry Project The system was sampled in July with results similar to previous samples. This grant expires on June 30, 2012. Hopefully design and permitting will be complete by then.

Brubaker Project Work on data gathering was started by the Army Corps contractors KCI and Potesta. A report on data gaps was prepared and circulated. CCWA will sample the clay mine discharge and 2 other nearby points for a year, with analyses by DEP. Rose will work with a KCI geologist on locating, probing, sampling and videotaping drill holes from the prior study on 8/30-31. Anticipated work includes a tracer test on a small stream that may be a source of water for the discharge, engineering studies of sites for ponds and other facilities, continuous flow measurements of the discharge, and preliminary design and costing of treatment facilities. Plans have been circulated to advisory committee members and their comments transmitted back to the Corps. Bob Hedin is consulting for CCWA under a TAG grant from Trout Unlimited. Earl mentioned that the Army Corp of Engineers has been on-site at the Dougherty area to look at the upper drill holes.

Swank Project Plans for the addition of limestone to the channel followed by revegetation were finalized at a field meeting with John Slovikosky on 8/14. Limestone will be delivered starting about 8/22, and will be placed about 8/24. The CCWA should approve payment for the limestone, seed and fertilizer and to Slovikoski at the 8/16 meeting so that on satisfactory completion of the work, checks can be written before 8/31 when the WPCAMPR grant expires.

Art had also submitted to Jerry a detailed report on the breakdown of funding and estimated expense for this project. The ARIPA grant of \$8,000 expires on August 31st. Since this project will be completed before August 31st the following motion was passed: a **motion** by Dan McMullen and seconded by Larry Sutton to approve expenditures on the Swank Mine Project for Slovikosky Excavating, New Enterprise Stone & lime Co., and Cresson Feed Mill.

Invoicing to DEP Attempts to prepare invoices for the Gibson and Amsbry projects indicated that some bills from Mahaffey Labs were not available to Art Rose. A better method of exchanging paperwork between Kalwanaski and Rose needs to be developed.

Discussed at the meeting was the following: bills from Mahaffey Labs are mailed to Earl and passed on to Dane for payment and are not seen by Art. We need to contact Mahaffey Labs and request that Art be e-mailed a copy of all reports. Michelle Merrow requested that Alder Run Engineering also be sent a copy, in order to help with tracking of budget costs, for several of the projects.

Larry mentioned that the electronic website, between CCWA and the State, that was set up in the past may have to be set up again, since it has not been used in some time.

Ace Drilling Site- Earl stated that he and Dick would be sampling this site in September.

The Following Was Reported by Michelle Merrow:

Ferris Wheel Revegetation-Bids were opened for the Revegetation Project, with Meadville Land Services as the low bidder. Three bids were received. The Board met after the meeting. Michelle will look through the bids, and if they are ok, issue a Notice of Award and Contract Documents to Meadville Land Services.

Michelle brought a copy of the Good Samaritan Form that was filed for the project for CCWA's records, plus a copy of the project manual (bid documents) for the records.

Michelle mentioned that one of the contractors there for the pre-bid commented that the switchgrass looked nutrient deficient. Michelle will get a quote from MLS for this additional material. Michelle and Shawn will get prices for flay ash trucking.

Morgan Run Ross-CCCD is awarding contract to EM Brown. CCWA's login with OSM needs to be updated so the money can be downloaded when needed.

Morgan Run 7—Bids will be due in Sept.

Other—We discussed ways to coordinate billings with the grants between Dane, Art, and Alder Run Engineering so there are no overruns in budget categories, and if there are, we can adjust other categories to cover it so there are no surprises at the end of the projects. We will revisit it when Art returns.

Old Business:

Data Logger: The recently ordered data logger is on back order and should be delivered soon.

New Business: None at this time.

Next Meeting: September 20, 2011, Laurel Run Sportsman, Dysart, 6:30 PM.

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