

**CLEARFIELD CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 18, 2018
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The meeting was called to order by President Dan McMullen with the pledge to the flag. There were 13 members present. There were two new members at the meeting. Dan welcomed them and thanked them for attending. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Art Rose was then passed “accepting the August 21, 2018 minutes.” Dan reminded all present that the minutes were being taped.

Secretary’s Report:

Jerry reviewed the mail received the past month. We had two mailings from the John Kennedy Trout Unlimited Chapter located in Hollidaysburg.

Membership Committee:

As mentioned above, we had two new members this month. Each of them expressed an interest in CCWA and the work that we do.

Public Relations/Historical Committee:

Dick had a copy of the August minutes that were recently in The Progress. We want to thank The Progress for this coverage.

Finance Report:

Jerry had picked up the pallet of beer ticket from the printer. Ray is taking care of the distribution of the ticket. It is a \$600.00 value from C & J Falchini in Ebensburg based on the first 7 PM Pick 3 Number drawn on December 10th. They offered a \$50.00 donation to CCWA. The lucky winner will receive 15- \$40.00 coupons of which you have 6 months to redeem.

Proceeds for this ticket will go into the Dam Cleanout Fund. It is necessary to periodically cleanout the dam in Dysart due to debris washing into the dam. This benefits both our children’s fishing derby and the veteran’s fishing derby.

If you wish to purchase or help sell any tickets, please contact me or any board member.

Treasurer’s Report: by Shawn Simmers, August 21, 2018

Deposits:

Ace Drilling Site	\$190.00	General Fund
Membership Dues	\$ 50.00	General Fund
Donation	\$100.00	General Fund

Expenses:

Dan McMullen-Shed Supplies	\$ 21.00	General Fund
TU, Rachel Kester-Website Fee	\$ 99.00	General Fund

Jerry McMullen-The Long Barn	\$ 22.57	General Fund
Dan McMullen-lumber for weirs	\$112.17	Grant Account, Water Testing
Mountain Research	\$ 50.00	Grant Account, Water Testing
Damin Printing-tickets	\$ 75.00	Small Games of Chance Account

Shawn reported that all bills were paid from last month's meeting and deposits made. A **motion** by Dick Dotts and seconded by Ed McMullen was passed "to accept the treasurer's report and to pay the invoices."

Grant Committee

Neither Art or Dan had anything new to report.

Cleanup Committee:

The cleanup on Route 36 on September 11th went well. We had 12 volunteers who picked up 22 bags of litter and 1 tire and a few car parts. Thanks to all who came out and helped. Dan reminded all present that we have a cleanup on Sunday, September 23rd. meeting at the Municipal building in Dysart at 9 AM. This is both a roadway and stream cleanup.

Tech Committee: The following Tech Report was presented by Art Rose-Chairman of the Tech Committee: **Tech Committee Report- September 18, 2018**

Klondike Project A set of samples from 8/21 from the MRU Box experiment showed removal of about 18 mg/L of iron from a total of 80 by the box, a good result. On 9/18 the inflow to the box was found to be plugged, but samples at the location of the box inflow and at the inflow to the VFP were taken to evaluate the performance of the existing ponds and channels. Inspection of the VFP showed that it was treating the very high flow with no overflow, indicating that the recent sludge removal was very successful. A quarterly sampling of the Klondike systems is due this month. Plans for replacement of the outflow weir at KL-2 were delayed because of the very wet weather.

West Ferris Wheel Project A quarterly sampling is to be done this month. No word on the construction grant for System 4 has been received.

Sand Springs Project A phone discussion followed by a letter was exchanged with Mr. Scott Johnson, a prospective purchaser of the Cooney Trust property. We discussed the Good Samaritan agreement he would receive to protect liability and the possible schedule of activities for a treatment system, indicating about 4-5 years before construction. He wishes to use part of the highway frontage for his business, and a part along Sand Springs road for a home, and this possibility was discussed.

Gibson Project A quarterly sampling is due this month. As noted last month, one flusher was repaired but we need data on how the system is working now.

Beldin Project No activity.

Swank Project No activity. Quarterly Sampling is due.

Brubaker Project Two weirs are ready for installation in upper Brubaker and scheduled for 9/25. We need to collect data on the AMD sources into upper Brubaker Run. Possibly St. Francis, or a TAG by Hedin? Shawn will check at St. Francis.

WBSRC Meeting This group met on 9/11 in Curwensville. No word on when Growing Greener grants will be announced. Construction is scheduled for Potts Run, under supervision by Rachel Kester.

Geographic Information System Mr. Eric Skrivseth, who works with Shawn, is working on applying GIS to Clearfield Creek Watershed for a MS degree. Shawn and Art met with him and discussed the project, and have sent him considerable information on water samples, fish and macroinvertebrate studies and AMD sources in the watershed. Eric described his work to date, displaying modified photos emphasizing problem mines. We hope this will provide a convenient way to investigate and summarize our data and problems.

CCWA website We should place significant reports on fish and stream bugs on our website. Three reports were sent to Tegan for installation, plus a spread sheet of Gibson data.

Ace Drilling An inspection and monitoring is due. We also need to check on a new permit from the Game Commission at the site.

Data Logger- Bryan Rabish reported that he has not checked the data logger lately due to high water but will be doing so soon.

To Do as of 9/18/18

<u>Project</u>	<u>Interval</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Last Done</u>	<u>Do by</u>
KL1-KL2 Inspection	M	Art,Dan	6/4/2018	7/31/2018
KL1-KL2 sampling	Q	Dan	6/4/2018	9/30/2018
MRU Sampling	M	Art	7/17/2018	8/21/2018
WF Inspection	M	Dan	6/4/2018	7/31/2018
WF Sampling	Q	Dan	6/4/2018	9/30/2018
WF Flushing duration		Art	6/4/2018	9/30/2018
Cooney Weir sampling	M	Dan	4/15/2018	5/30/2018
Gibson inspection	M	Shawn	6/14/2018	7/31/2018
Gibson sampling	Q	Shawn	6/14/2018	9/30/2018
Gibson flushing observation	Q?	Art, Michelle	8/20/2018	9/30/2018
184 sampling, weir	M	Shawn	6/14/2018	7/31/2018
Swank insp. And sampling	Q	Ray	6/14/2018	9/30/2018
Little Laurel sampling	Q	Dan	3/27/2018	9/30/2018
Brubaker sampling	M	Shawn, St F?	3/31/2018	9/30/2018
Ace Drilling inspection	Q	Ray	6/4/2018	9/30/2018
WF2 weir, KL2 Weir maint.		??		3/31/2018

Old Business:

Weir Install-Brubaker Weir: We were not able to install this weir on Sunday morning, September 9th, due to rainy weather. We will try again on Tuesday, September 25th meeting at 5 PM at the Brubaker gate.

CCWA Shed: Dan reported that stone has been placed by John Slovikosky in front of the shed. Shelving has been donated by Dane. Dan has placed a CCWA lock on the shed.

New Business:

Apple Cider Festival-October 7th: Plans were made for the items needed for the setup at the Apple Cider Festival. Please stop in and visit our display.

Clean Streams Foundation- Contract: Dan had a copy of the contract to be signed with the Clean Streams Foundation for the Ace Drilling site for review

CCWA Brochure: Discussion was held on the need to update our brochure. We would like to include some photos and information about the Gibson-Halstock and WFW projects. Dan is to contact Rachel Kester at TU to see if they can assist us.

DEP Project-Cresson: Construction is going very well at this site. The building is nearly complete, the large pond is built, and baffles in the tank are complete. We have not heard when the plant will be put on-line but will keep you informed.

Legislative Breakfast: Bryan had a copy of the invitation for the Legislative Breakfast, sponsored by the Cambria Co. Conservation District, to be held on October 10th. In addition to the chance to meet with local legislatures they are sponsoring a tour of projects in Nanty Glo, Northern Cambria and Hastings.

Next Meeting: October 16, 2018 Conference Room, Prince Gallitzin Park Office, 6:30 PM.

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