

Location: Farm & Home Center

Voting Members Present: Mark Johnson, Cory Rathman, Jay Snyder, Kent Gardner

Non-Voting Steering Committee Members Present: Seung Ah Byun (Brandywine Conservancy), Matt Kofroth, Kent Bitting, Kara Kalupson, Chris Thompson

Guests/non-SC Members: none

Approval of Minutes- Quorum was not present.

Minutes recorded by: Angie Sowers

AGENDA ITEMS

Budget Committee- Jay Snyder

Jay provided budget report via email.

PADEP Streamside Grant Applications- Kent Bitting

- First reimbursement from state received
- Letters went out to recipients and non-recipient on August 8
- Awaiting receipt of Land Owner Agreements- submittal of agreements is official acceptance of grant

Little Conestoga NFWF Grant Update- Matt Kofroth

- Oct 16 and 30 at Farm and Home Center set as listening sessions by LandStudies for Little Conestoga Action Plan
- Matt and Angie will be submitting request to NFWF to transfer funds from salaries to the Action Plan

NEW BUSINESS

- **Proposed pipeline position**
 - LCCD does not have an official position
 - Ag Business Council is working on a position
 - Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance has drafted a position paper- look for conservation opportunities that would develop with resulting mitigation
 - Group discussed drafting recommendations for minimizing impacts such as minimizing tree loss and increase in forestry edges, stream crossings, sensitive areas, narrow right-of-way, etc., and work with local watershed organizations to identify mitigation including tree plantings
 - What projects are needed in County to meet TMDL that could be implemented through mitigation
 - LCCWC could reach out to local watershed orgs and municipalities that are trying to meet MS4s and TMDL plans to identify mitigation plans
 - Kara suggested that it would be good to identify what the potential impacts to clean water from pipeline construction/presence or where this information is available
 - Chris stated that PSU does have information on effects on ag lands and will share once he receives it (ACTION ITEM)
 - Group felt that we don't have to take a position of support or non-support, but rather offer suggestions to minimize impacts if it were to occur- official path forward will be decided
 - Kent raised question of asking for a substation in Lancaster County so that county vehicles could use CNG, which would reduce air pollution and subsequent water pollution
 - ACTION ITEM: Angie will check to see if comment period is still open. Provide Angie with ideas for measures that could be taken to minimize impacts.

Lancaster-Lebanon Watershed Forum

- Matt informed the group that they are considering postponing the forum until the winter to allow some of the pipeline issues to be resolved. Matt requested that the Consortium would consider providing their funding support at a future time.

Millersville University GIS work

- Completed mapping of stormwater network for LIMC area

Meeting adjourned 3:50

HANDOUTS

none

ACTION ITEMS

1. Chris will share information from PSU on impact of pipeline on ag lands once he receives it.
2. Angie will check to see if comment period is still open. Provide Angie with ideas for measures that could be taken to minimize impacts.

Future Agenda Items

Calendar of Future Events

October 1 – LCCWC Steering Committee Meeting, 3-5 pm, Farm and Home Center

November 5 – LCCWC Steering Committee Meeting, 3-5 pm, Farm and Home Center

December 7 – LCCWC Steering Committee Meeting, 3-5 pm, Farm and Home Center