

Location: Farm & Home Center

Voting Members Present: Jay Snyder, Logan Myers, Joellyn Warren, John Bingham, Mark Gutshall

Non-Voting Steering Committee Members Present: 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.
- LCCWC balance is close to \$20,000
- LIMC membership has been received that will be added to this and audit funds were returned
- ACTION- Angie will ask Heather about East Hempfield membership request

PADEP Streamside Grant Applications- Kent Bitting (absent)

- Kent notified Angie by email that the Landowners Agreements have been received from Lititz Borough and Warwick Township; waiting on agreements from the 3 other
- Chris- no requests for payments have been submitted yet
- Joellyn- West Lampeter is meeting with property owners next week and expect to have Agreements by end of October

Little Conestoga NFWF Grant Update- Matt Kofroth (absent)

- Angie- the request to transfer funds has been submitted to NFWF; they didn't expect any problems, but have not received approval yet
- October 16 and Nov 13- 7:30-9:30 am at Farm and Home Center- listening sessions scheduled for municipal officials and other interested stakeholders regarding revamping watershed assessment and completing Action Plan; notification emailed to municipalities yesterday
- Ressler Mill on Mill Creek will be started next week

Horst Group emails regarding power ponds in stream mainstems

- ACTION- request that Kent respond

Follow-up on drafting a letter about Williams pipeline

- ACTION- Matt will provide Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance letter that identifies potential mitigation projects and water resource concerns- example of what others could do to communicate potential projects
- Joellyn suggested making a County-wide map of all potential projects, overlay with existing utility right-of-ways; projects could be pulled from existing watershed plans- potential project with MU; intent is to have an inventory of shovel-ready projects
 - ACTION- Joellyn will reach out to MU about idea and County about GIS data to prep a further discussion next meeting

NEW BUSINESS

- Stream water quality sampling- Joellyn- Lanc Farmland Trust is working with Environmental Studies Program at Millersville to provide training for stream monitoring/sampling- Matt Kofroth is

providing training to MU students; students will be sampling Pequea Creek in W. Lampeter Twp on public lands and where farmers will permit; could be replicable in other townships/watersheds

- Mark raised issue of QA/QC and possibly looking for additional funds to make this more of a priority
- This could be a potential initiative for next year- maybe workshop(s) topic- standardize sampling for MS4s
- Water Quality Volunteer Coalition- formal program that Matt runs- meet regularly
- Little Cocalico Creek project will be completed soon
 - ACTION- Jay will provide pictures
- Chris- follow-up on action item from last meeting- reported on information of affects of pipeline construction on ag lands; couldn't find any information on differing impacts between till and no-till lands; impact appears to depend on soil type/properties and the type of pipeline
- Joellyn- requested that the group start to think about 2015 workshop ideas and benefit to memberships
 - Matt- potential partnership with E&S programs for dirt and gravel road/low volume road maintenance workshop- could promote membership by pairing dirt and gravel funding with future expected PADEP funding- may be favorable to those in southern portions of the County

Meeting adjourned 4:00

HANDOUTS

none

ACTION ITEMS

1. Angie will ask Heather about East Hempfield membership request and to provide letter that was drafted that summarizes membership benefits
2. Kent- respond to Horst Group regarding power ponds
3. Matt will provide Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance letter that identifies potential mitigation projects and water resource concerns- example of what others could do to communicate potential projects
4. Provide ideas for 2015 workshops
5. Chris- raise idea of pairing dirt and gravel/low volume funding with potential future Streamside Grant funding

Future Agenda Items

1. Development of County-wide map of shovel-ready projects for generating interest in mitigation projects from pipeline construction
2. Workshop ideas/member benefits

Calendar of Future Events

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