

Location: Farm & Home Center

Voting Members Present: Kent Gardner, Joellyn Warren, Mark Johnson, Mark Gutshall, Scott Hain, John Bingham, Heather Valudes

Non-Voting Steering Committee Members Present: Matt Kofroth, Andy Hake, Kent Bitting, Kristen Kyler, Mike Kyle, Ruth Hoker

Guests/non-SC Members: Ed LeFevre, Bob Kutz- Donegal Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Approval of Minutes- A motion was made to approve November's minutes by John and seconded by Mark Gutshall. Motion passed unanimously. Joellyn noted that she had not prepared notes from December meeting.

Minutes recorded by: Joellyn

AGENDA ITEMS

Budget Committee- Jay Snyder

Funding Practice Keeper – Kent Gardner

- Andy Hake and Joellyn provided an update to the members. Worldview has provided a preliminary cost estimate of \$37,000 to purchase software. Andy believes it will be less than projected.
- Joellyn stated that LIMC requested that the Consortium consider contributing 25% of the costs.
- Without an updated budget it was decided to table to the discussion but relay a message back to LIMC that the Consortium is interested and will discuss briefly at their February meeting.

NFWF Update- Matt Kofroth

- Little Conestoga grant ends July 31, 2015. Matt is working to wrap up the Municipal Tool. Outreach campaign is ongoing.
- Land Studies anticipates Action Plan may be ready for presentation Feb/March.
- Kent asked Heather if this project would be of interest to the Chamber and whether they would entertain a presentation. Heather suggested going through Hourglass.

Streamside Grant Update- Kent Bitting

- Kent noted that he has submitted what he has received to date to DEP for reimbursement.
- Members discussed adding representative from Lititz Borough to workshop to discuss audit results.

Workshop/ 2015 Initiatives- Kent Gardner

- Mark Gutshall provided an update regarding submission of grant to DEP for education and outreach.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee – Kent Gardner

- John and Mark Johnson both agreed to serve on the nominating committee.
- Need to reorganize in April 2015.

Fundraiser/Golf Tournament – Kent Gardner

- The anticipated date is August 3rd.
- Training for engineers toward CEU's was discussed as part of morning agenda.
- Kent anticipates out of pocket costs around \$500 for first year.
- Kent noted that the Foundation is worried about risk factors. A one day insurance policy would have to be purchased.
- Anticipate per golfer costs around \$80-\$100.

Other

- Mark Gutshall asked the members if a formal position was ever voted upon in regards to supporting the report on dams. He has been contacted by a person working with Rep. Menzer's office in regards to this issue. Members agreed that no position has been taken.
- Mark Gutshall asked the members if they would consider a funding mechanism to assist homeowners to prepare permit and/or improvements to meet the requirements of the new stormwater ordinances. The members were uncertain about how to establish such a fund.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

HANDOUTS

ACTION ITEMS

Future Agenda Items

- Financial contribution for purchase of WorldView software.
- Golf Fundraiser

Calendar of Future Events