

QUITTAPAHILLA WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
Meeting Minutes
Annville Town Hall
June 19, 2018

Present: Mike Schroeder, Dave Lasky, Ann Lasky, Karen Feather, Alan Wood, Alicia Norris, Stephan Vegoe

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

1. Mike reported on the Sunoco Penalty Grants that Rocky Powell and Bill Wall are preparing for the Association, which are due tomorrow (Wed. June 20): Beck Creek Project 6 (\$874,000), Snitz Creek Project 2 (\$862,000), and Killinger Creek Project 5 (\$129,000). Mike further noted that South Annville Twp. is preparing a proposal for Bachman Run (between Louser Rd. & Reigerts Lane), and that the Lebanon County Stormwater Consortium is preparing several proposals. PA-DEP will reportedly announce the winning proposals sometime this summer.
2. Mike noted the *Lebanon Daily News* front-page article of May 19 in which Jeff Steckbeck of Steckbeck Engineering provided incorrect information to Cornwall Borough Council members about whether Sunoco Penalty Grant funds can be applied to MS4 projects (in fact, they can). In light of this incorrect information, Cornwall Borough Council reversed its decision not to apply for Sunoco Penalty Grant funds.
3. Mike emphasized that the QWA's Sunoco Penalty Grant proposals oblige the Association to undertake maintenance of the reconstructed areas, if needed, including removal of invasive species, fencing repair, and tree planting.
4. Mike reported that the QWAs two summer interns, Brittany Weaver and Kyla O'Connor, are now undertaking geomorphic assessments of Beck Creek, after training by Rocky Powell on June 11, and field training on June 12. The Summer 2018 Internship Program is funded in the amount of \$2,400, permitting each intern to work 120 hours at \$10 per hour (with \$1,500 from Doc Fritchey Trout Unlimited, and \$900 from North Cornwall Twp).
5. Mike reported that QWA was well represented at Historic Old Annville Day on Sat June 9.
6. Stephan reported that he replaced the old Fish & Boat Commission signs on delayed harvest regulations in Quittie Creek Nature Park with new & updated signs.
7. Mike reported that after the Sunoco Penalty Grant proposals, Rocky Powell will turn his attention to Growing Greener proposals, due to PA-DEP by July 13.
8. Karen reported that Laurie Crawford, Executive Director of The Lebanon Valley Conservancy (TLVC), expressed concern about the quarterly reports that must be submitted to PA-DEP as part of the grant reporting process. Karen and Alan, TLVC Board Members, have agreed to handle the quarterly reports, previously undertaken by Ned Gible.
9. Stephan reported that Doc Fritchey Trout Unlimited's project on the Hershey Project on Lower Snitz Creek is expected to break ground later this summer, and in the meantime volunteers are clearing brush in the work area (next to 325 S. Dairy Rd.)

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Schroeder, Secretary Pro Tem