

QUITTIE WATERSHED ASSOCIATION (QCWA)

THURSDAY September 22, 2005 at 7:00 P.M.

Annville Town Hall, N. Lancaster St. Annville.

Present: William Beck, Marie Bongiovanna, Joseph Eisenhauer, Dale Erskine, Stephanie Harmon, Ann Lasky, David Lasky, Khervin Smith and Donald Thomas.

1. Updates

AES grant for the Cornwall playground stream stabilization work: it has appeared in the PA Bulletin and permits should be approved in early October, Steph is working to obtain \$3500 mitigation money coming from an encroachment of Snitz Creek at the Alden Place Development in Cornwall Borough.

Adopt-a-Stream Projects: Don Thomas received the permits for work at the following sites (a) Mill Street, (b) Quittie Park, and (c) the house on S. White Oak Street upstream from the the Bridge on Route 934.

Anna Blauch's Farm. Adam Smith, USFWS, repaired the opening in the fence. He hopes to be back in November to complete the fencing.

The shrubs that Joe Lannon planted in the Quittie Creek Park are still alive. This is the first time that the shrubs have survived this long into the fall.

The web page www.quittapahillwatershedassociation.org needs updating. This work will be done in the next six weeks.

The "point and click" map is still not completed, but can be found at www.skellyloy-gis.com/quittapahilla/

Pennsylvania Organization for Watersheds and Rivers (POWR) held a beta-testing workshop on 8-23-05 (Ann & David Lasky attended the workshop).

POWR is asking for water quality testing data from volunteers to be placed on their web site. We have submitted the data that we have on excel spreadsheets to POWR.

Rocky Powell is scheduled to present a preliminary sediment study report to the Swatara Watershed Association on November 30th at 9:30 A.M. at Litz Company, 2501 Cumberland Street. He later plans to give a comprehensive report of the entire assessment at a December meeting for the Quittapahilla Watershed Association at a time and place to be announced.

Questions raised:

(1) not everyone received the report. Dave will send this out as an email attachment; (2) what is the goal of this presentation? (3) shouldn't the QCWA review such a presentation before another group? (4) If there are questions on our part, we would rather ask them in a less public setting; (5) what is the schedule for community meetings? (6) how does the runoff impact the water quality? (7) since the Swatara Watershed Association has invited Rocky to talk, will they pay for his visit?

2. Planned work:

9/27/05 Lebanon Valley College students will work on trails in Quittie Park.

Palmyra High School honor's students will work in the park on the morning of 10/22/05.

We may get three Annville-Cleona students who need to do community service to work on a project.

Don Thomas may need some volunteers for his adopt-a-stream projects.

3. The next Watershed Meeting is Thursday, November 17th at 7:00 P.M at Annville Town Hall.

