

QUITTAPAHILLA WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
Meeting Minutes
Annville Grille, 103 West Main St., Annville
April 16, 2019

Present: Mike Schroeder, Karen Feather, Dave Lasky, Ann Lasky, Kent Crawford, Alicia Norris, Bill Wall, Joseph Connor, Stephan Vegoe

The meeting opened at 7:03 p.m.

1. Bill reported that for monitoring stream restoration work, a useful set of guidelines can be found in Penn State's First Investigation of Stream health protocol (at <https://extension.psu.edu/first-investigation-of-stream-health-fish-protocol>). Kent reported that it is anticipated that Skelly & Loy, Inc., will be undertaking much of the requisite stream monitoring, and offered to be in touch with Bill to discuss the details.
2. Karen reported that Jineen Boyle of PA-DEP now has in hand the requisite paperwork for Snitz Creek Project 2 and Beck Creek Project 6.
3. Kent reported that the restoration project on Snitz Creek along Dairy Road next to Wengert's Dairy is complete and offered to write letters of appreciation to the affected landowners.
4. Mike reported that the Summer 2019 Internship Program flier is now being distributed, and that the \$1,500 from PA Trout Unlimited's Forever Wild program has not yet been officially granted; official approval is expected soon. Kent reported that he sent the flier announcing the program to professors at Franklin & Marshall College, Susquehanna College, Thiel College, Penn State Harrisburg, Elizabethtown College, Messiah College, Millersville University, and Dickinson College. The selection committee of Kent, Mike, and Sean Droms expects to meet and select the Association's summer interns in the first weeks of May.
5. Kent reported that he has submitted a proposal to Pennsylvania American Water's grant program for \$8,000 for monitoring equipment.
6. Mike reported that the Conservation Fund has granted to the QWA and The Lebanon Valley Conservancy (TLVC) the full \$130,000 for the Killinger Creek Project 5 that was submitted to PA-DEP in June 2019 for the Sunoco Penalty Grant program developed by PA-DEP. The proposal was not funded by PA-DEP at the time. In early April, Mike received a notice from Delaware Riverkeeper Network regarding a pot of money being administered by the Conservation Fund that originated in fines levied on Transco/Williams during the construction of the Atlantic Sunrise Pipeline that would be available for "shovel-ready" projects. He followed up, and the result is Killinger Creek Project 5 has been granted the entire amount requested.
7. Mike announced the annual Quittie Creek Nature Park Day of Caring on Saturday, April 27, from 9 am to 12 noon.
8. Alicia reported no change in the Association's bank account.
9. Mike offered the reminder that the Association's next meeting will be on Thursday, May 23 at the Annville Town Hall (moved from Tues. 5/21 thanks to local elections).

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Schroeder, Secretary Pro Tem