

WATERSHED ALLIANCE OF YORK
Board of Directors Meeting of May 27, 2021; 6:00 p.m.
In-Person and Virtual - Zoom

Minutes

Attendance: Diane, Duane, Matt A., Matt H., Ted, Jeff, Jodi, Lettice, Rachel, and Emily

Rachel called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

1. Approval of the minutes of the April 22nd, 2021, meeting (President). **Rachel asked the board members present to review the minutes of the April meeting, and for a motion to approve the minutes. Diane made a motion to approve the minutes. Matt A. seconded her motion. Motion was carried unanimously by all the board members present.**
2. Treasurer's report & approval of bills (Treasurer).
Emily reported on the Talon Settlement Account-SEP cash flow. Total of \$100,252.86. No expenditures to date.
Emily reported on WAY's cash flow statement from April 1 through May 25, 2021. Beginning balance of the General Fund (checking) was \$2,392.38. Revenue for the time period totaled \$3,955.54. Total expenses during the same period were \$434.56. The ending balance was \$5,913.36 and net cash flow \$3,520.98. \$4,899.20 is what is left in the WAY funds. **No action was taken on the Treasurer's Report.**
3. Secretary's report & communications (Secretary). Emily provided the board with a verbal summary of important correspondence received and correspondence sent. **No action was taken on the Secretary's Report.**
4. Committee reports on current and future activities.
 - a. Executive (President) – State of the Alliance
 - i. Logo Discussion – A discussion occurred on the color sets and logos provided by LUMI. A Zoom poll was launched and completed which showed Logo 1A and Color Set B were the winners!
 - ii. YRK Magazine – A discussion occurred on WAY using the YRK Magazine to unveil the new WAY to the public. The consensus was it's a good way to get the word out about the merger and who we are. Plus, it's good promotion for the price. **Jodi made a motion to approve spending \$1,100 of General Funds to promote WAY in the fall edition of the YRK Magazine. Diane seconded her motion. Motion was carried unanimously by all the board members present.**
 - b. Education and Outreach
 - i. Master Watershed Stewards Program (Jodi, Duane). Jodi gave an update on the MWS program. The MWS are busy doing projects. Hollow Road cleanup went well. Currently planting a rain garden in Fairview Twp. The new class is almost complete, will be getting nine new stewards.
 - c. Facilitation
 - i. York County – Countywide Action Plan (YC-CAP) Implementation (Rachel). Rachel provided the following updates:
 - a. CAP Projects: three projects are completed, one underway, and three will begin May/June/fall.
 - b. Year 2 of Implementation, YCPC and YCCD are meeting one-on-one with DEP to help propel action.
 - c. Project Tracker – continue to send lead to Rachel.
 - d. The Center for Water Quality Excellence is coming soon. Smart SWM, Century Engineering opportunity moving forward. Fertilizer Bill moved from Senate to House. EPA commented on CWIP.
 - e. Pilot BMP Data Collection Program – currently working with York Township. Preparing information to begin outreach to township farmers and landowners.
 - f. Pilot Codorus Water Program – concentrated area selected (Barshinger Creek watershed). Job description for part-time position will be posted soon!
1. Education & Outreach Team – Letters will be sent to schools for water quality projects. They received 20 responses from a survey the sent to municipalities for newsletter features. Created both a Street2Creek subcommittee and Watershed Week subcommittee for upcoming events.
2. Data Management Team – Continuing to work on BMP data collection. Exploring opportunities with ALLARM.

3. Project Implementation – Partners are continuing to secure funding and are implementing BMPs in the county. Several recent projects were completed, including Terra Farms tree planting and Horn Farm 6-acre Riparian Buffer planting.
 4. Legislative and Programmatic Changes – Draft watershed permit has been submitted to DEP. Restructure discussion is underway on future of committee. Need to build membership.
 5. Revenue Building – Need to build members. Future tasks include outreach on donations, fundraising, partnerships, sponsorships, etc. Should start fundraising for Watershed Week. Ted suggested the committee investigate YCCF private funding; potentially put a piece requesting funding out to all donors within their groups.
 6. Agricultural – Under development. Need to build membership.
- ii. 2021 Watershed Week Update
 1. Rachel gave a brief update on Watershed Week planning. The WSWE Committee is currently reaching out to people to sponsor events. Regarding the Fishing Derby, Ted suggested asking local sportsman’s club to sponsor the event.
- d. Technical Assistance
 - i. WQM Network
 1. LSRK Citizen Volunteers (Ted)
5. Business
 - a. Expenses
 - i. Insurance –Chubb D&O policy (~\$623)
 - ii. Website – Auto renews 6/30/21 (~239.88)
 - b. Grants
 - i. Talus Energy vs. LSRK settlement \$100,000 (Ted) – Stream Restoration Projects (2) – Signed contract amendments give ARRC until the end of the year to complete the two projects.
 - ii. S.H.A.R.E. Grant – Emily reported that there is \$661.73 left in this grant.
 - c. Fundraising
 - i. 2021 Give Local York – We raised \$825! We’re still waiting to hear final stretch pool amount we will receive.
 6. New Business
 - a. Announcements
 - i. Ted – Greener Codorus is underway. Volunteers are needed. He’s planning to do more outreach in the city. A Codorus Creek Cleanup is scheduled for the third weekend in July. John Naylor is having a tire picking challenge during month of July. A portion of funding could potentially go toward WAY, if we participate.
 - ii. Lettice – The Poorhouse Run project is complete! There’s a ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for June 23rd at 11am, meeting at the new footbridge.
 - b. Networking (All)
 7. Next Meeting –June 24th at 6pm; Location: York County Bldg., Pleasant Valley Road (PVR)
 8. Adjourn (7:20 P.M.)