

WATERSHED ALLIANCE OF YORK
Board of Directors Meeting of July 20, 2026
In-person and Teams

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Agenda

Call to Order (6:30 P.M.)

1. Approval of the minutes of the May 18th, 2026, meeting (President)
2. York Countywide Action Plan
 - a. Executive (President)
 - b. Committee Reports
 - i. Education and Outreach
 - ii. Project Implementation
 1. Grant Project Tracker
 - iii. Budget and Finance
 1. Treasurer's Report & BTN Accounting
3. New Business
 - a. Grant Awards
 - i. Sierra Club
 - ii. PFBC Fishing Creek
 - iii. PFBC Stillhouse Run
 - b. Willis Run Dumpster
 - c. YCCD Sporting Clays Fundraiser Participation Request
 - d. Watershed Week Planning
4. Networking (All)
 - a. Codorus Creek Clean Up - July 25th
5. Next Meeting – August 17th 6:30pm at LSRA Office (Strategic Planning Session)

Adjourn (7:00 P.M.)

New Business Summary

Agenda Item 3.a.i. Sierra Club Grant Award

This grant award is for riparian forest buffer maintenance activities and for costs associated with hosting a stream cleanup. Total grant amount is \$2,579.20

Agenda Item 3.a.ii. PFBC Fishing Creek Grant Award

The Fishing Creek Habitat Improvement project proposes to enhance 1,300 linear feet of degraded trout stocked fishery by adding in-stream habitat structures. Habitat structures include deflectors, large wood and in-stream grade control to increase depth. The project will also improve floodplain connectivity. This project is located on a property where the landowner planted trees utilizing WAY's Watershed Forestry funding. The project is also located upstream of a USGS stream gauge. Total grant award is \$75,000. Additional funding may be sought to continue to project upstream.



Figure 1- Project Location

Agenda Item 3.a.iii. PFBC Stillhouse Run Grant Award

The goal of the Stillhouse Run Habitat Improvement project is to enhance and protect a total of 850 feet of Stillhouse Run using 51 proposed structures. Proposed fish habitat enhancement structures include single log cross vanes, single log vane deflectors, and toe logs. The proposed habitat enhancement structures will provide improved bank stabilization and enhanced floodplain connectivity. The habitat enhancement structures will provide stable grade control along with more centralized flows. The structures will additionally create a diversity of riffle, run, and pool flow regimes. The project also involves extensive bank grading both associated directly and indirectly with the stream habitat enhancement structures. Grading and sloping the stream banks will aid in elevating the effects of an entrenched stream channel by helping to disperse energy from highwater events on to the floodplain naturally. The structures and bank grading will also help to secure and maintain a healthy, vegetated riparian buffer to reduce sediment from entering the stream. This project was designed by the Fish & Boat Commission and is proposed to be constructed this fall. The total grant award is \$75,000.00, though the initial quote from Flyway came in much less than that.

Agenda Item 3.b. Willis Run Dumpster

Following the Willis Run cleanup on May 16th, Casella, the dumpster provider, sent the Lower Susquehanna Riverkeeper an invoice for \$982. Ted is asking each organization involved (LSRA, ACB, MWS, and WAY) to chip in to help cover the costs.

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Minutes

Noting a quorum was present, the meeting was brought to order by President, Rachel Stahlman, at 6:30 p.m.

Those in attendance were as follows:

Emily Neideigh, Rachel Stahlman, Matt Leisses, Rob Harvey, Cathleen Mastrilli, Ben Dinkel, Duane Hyson, Lettice Brown, Ted Evgeniadis, and Cindy Pizziketti

Visitors: Kelly Dearman, Molly Cassel, and Jim Morris

1. Approval of the minutes of the March 16th, 2026, meeting. Rachel asked the board members present to review the minutes of the October meeting, and for a motion to approve them. **Cindy made a motion to approve the minutes. Lettice seconded the motion. Motion passed.**
2. Project Implementation
 - a. Grant Project Tracker - Emily shared that since the Beaver Creek project has not made it out of permitting the CAP money originally slated for this project will be used for the Lake Lehman project Budget and Finance
3. Treasurer's Report & BTN Accounting - Give Local donations were \$2,705. The stretch pool money won't be distributed till July. Rachel asked the board members present to review the treasurer's report and for a motion to approve it. **Cindy made a motion to approve the report. Ted seconded the motion. Motion was carried unanimously by all the board members present.**
3. New Business
 - a. Grant Awards
 - i. YCCF Grant Award - Myers Mill Dam Removal Design & Permitting **Cindy made a motion to accept the grant. Duane seconded the motion. Motion was carried unanimously by all the board members present.**
 - ii. Foundation for PA Watersheds Grant Award - Myers Mill Dam Removal Design & Permitting **Rob made a motion to accept the grant. Matt seconded the motion. Motion was carried out unanimously by all the board members present.**
 - b. YCPC CAP Contracts
 - i. Lake Lehman Phase 2 The first contract is for funding to complete construction of Phase 2 of the Lake Lehman Floodplain Restoration project. The grant amount is for \$732,260.00 with a grant deadline of December 31, 2026. Unfortunately, DEP didn't provide York County with enough funding to complete Phase 3, so at this time, construction of that phase is planned for 2027, funding dependent. Construction of Phase 2 is anticipated to start in August. **Cindy made a motion to accept the contract. Ben seconded the motion. Motion was carried by the board members present with Rachel abstaining.**
 - ii. Beaver Creek The second contract is for funding to complete the construction of the Beaver Creek Stream Restoration Project. The grant amount is \$59,515.00 with a grant deadline of December 31, 2026. The project was put out to bid at the end of April, with Kinsley construction coming in with the lowest responsible bid of \$299,780.00. Adams County Conservation District has agreed to utilize a portion of their CAP funds to cover the project (see later agenda item), since it's located in both York and Adams Counties. A YCCD Exelon HIP grant and a PA Fish & Boat Commission Habitat

Improvement grant will cover the remaining project costs. As a reminder, the design and permitting portion of this project was covered under a Growing Greener grant.

Cindy made a motion to accept the contract. Rob seconded the motion. Motion was carried by the board members present with Rachel abstaining.

- c. Beaver Creek - Adams County Conservation District CAP Contract - Adams County Conservation District is contributing CAP funding to cover 50% of the Beaver Creek Stream Restoration Project. The grant amount is \$149,890.00 with a grant deadline of December 31, 2026. **Cindy made a motion to accept the contract. Lettice seconded the motion. Motion was carried by the board members present with Rachel abstaining.**
 - d. Lake Lehman Phase 2 - Flyway Change Order This is a contract amendment to provide funding to Flyway to complete the construction of Phase 2 of the Lake Lehman Floodplain Restoration project. The contract amendment is for \$732,260.00 with a project completion deadline of December 31, 2026. **Ben made a motion to accept the contract. Lettice seconded the motion. Motion was carried by the board members present with Rachel abstaining.**
 - e. Beaver Creek - Kinsley Contract This is a contract between WAY and Kinsley to complete the construction of the Beaver Creek Stream Restoration Project. The contract amount is \$59,515.00 with a project deadline of December 31, 2026. **Ben made a motion to accept the contract. Lettice seconded the motion. Motion was carried by the board members present with Rachel abstaining.**
 - f. Lake Lehman - Land Studies Monitoring & Maintenance Proposals This is for two contracts with Land Studies for them to complete the required Monitoring & Maintenance for the Lake Lehman Floodplain Restoration project. Funding has been obtained to cover the complete cost for Monitoring, but for only two years of Maintenance. The contract for Maintenance stipulates that if funding of maintenance years 3-5 isn't obtained, Land Studies won't complete the work. The total Monitoring cost is \$29,672.00 for 5 years and the total Maintenance cost for 5 years is \$250,300.00. **Cindy made a motion to accept the Land Studies monitoring contract. Lettice seconded the motion. Motion was carried out unanimously by all the board members present. Then Cindy made a motion to accept the Land Studies maintenance contract. Rob seconded the motion. Motion was vetoed unanimously by all the board members present.**
4. Networking (All)
- a. Codorus Creek Clean Up - July 25th
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Cindy made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Matt and passed unanimously. Adjourned at 7:15 pm.