

RCP Meeting Minutes 10/28/09

Attendance: Scott Schell, Molly Gurien, Dick Hogan, Rocky McNickle, Heike Perko, Amy Mackey, Rina Caldwell, Cathy Sanford, Mike Schooley;

Treasurer Report:

8551.95 Total
2562.33 GF
4989.61 DOW Grant

Thank you letter was sent to Clyde Gosnell explaining what his donation has paid for; Amy wants to step down as treasurer since her position is paid with part of the money;

Waterloo Update:

Fall Camps are coming up the first two Saturdays in November if anyone wants to help, topics are poetry in the forest, bats and hug a tree;

Committee meetings will be back on track in the new year;

Water Quality Specialist:

Sampling

- Elk Fork – Jon Brauer MSES grad student working on chem and bio sampling. Fish sampling conducted at 4 sites
- Lake Latrobe Sampling with EPA. Took regular samples at Lake Latrobe (strip pit that will be removed in 2010), and also EPA Dan Imhoff took stratified samples throughout the lake.
- LRC LTM
- Still needing to be done in 2009:
 - RCH LTM
 - WB Harble Griffith
 - East Branch phase I projects
 - EB phase II
 - MB LTM
 - FR and Lake Milton trib mouths
 - PR post construction
 - Planning MiR recon (Al, Acidity)

Other

- Mailed out thank you cards and annual dinner invites to Poker Run sponsors, evaluations and invites to riders. Evals that came back were positive!
- Newsletter mailed
- Pierce Run photos (update) to website.
- Web updates (camp pics, poker run page, events, PR updates – weekly)
- Attended Ohio Mineland Partnership meeting in October

- EB Phase II OSM ACSI grant approved
- AmeriCorps planning for 2010 (do we want one)
- Data entry
- Presented at VSWCD annual dinner
- Assisted Jen with Macro review for Fed Hock envirothon.
- Presented to AHS last week
- Update at RC&D meeting

RCWTA:

Rina is attending the water trails meetings, Molly is still chair, Suzanne is stepping down due to moving;

October 17th float was cancelled and rescheduled for the next day, less attendance, but beautiful day, great float;

Nora, the photojournalist videotaped the float;

Met a landowner willing to participate as a put in site;

Qian - ODNR Intern:

She is working with Jen on the management plan and GIS projects with other graduate students;

Jen – Watershed Coordinator:

Sent out coordinator grant today – needs to be completed by tomorrow;

Putting together and interviewing team: need RCP presence, who would like to join?

Both Heike and Scott mentioned they could participate;

The interviews will be in mid December;

Technical Advisory Committee meeting: Lots of upcoming projects – DNR East branch 2nd phase in March, Pierce Run will be completed this end of the year;

There will be lots of repairs this spring as well as cleaning the sludge out of the Carbondale site;

Vinton county airport filled in a stream with gob, turning a healthy stream into an AMD stream, Kelly Capuzi from the EPA thinks the mitigation money can be used for RCP; Support Leading Creek, a new citizens group in that watershed, they need help and support;

West Branch 319 grant was approved;

Fundraising MPA Students: A draft will be e-mailed to all as soon as next week;

AEP grant approved for 150,000 for biological recovery and dosers;

Board Vacancies:

Amy is stepping down as treasurer

Chair is open

Amber needs to be voted into permanently onto the board

Nominated Individuals:

Amber Brookins

Dick Hogan

Natalie Kruse

Vince Rahall

Briefly discussed bylaws, which indicate that 7 board members are on the board, group decided not to change bylaws at this point in order to accommodate new folks;
Mike wants to step down if new folks want to serve on the board;

Silent Auction:

Nathan – Walking Stick
Rocky – Nascar Lamp
Heike – Christmas decoration, trail ride
Jen – donating a knitting lesson, craft books
Mike – donating BBQ set
Rina – stain glass pieces

Agenda:

Scott will lead the meeting,
Introductions
Eating
Presentations
Elections
Silent Auction and 50/50 raffle

Other Business:

Molly is having a going away party and baby shower for Suzanne at her house on Saturday at 6:30, November 7th, no pink, potluck;
Heike will invite all AOA members to annual meeting.

Action Items:

Rocky – boost presence in Gallia county/Gallia County Fair
Scott – need to work on subgroups in other parts of the watershed
Amy – will work on a canned power point presentation we can take to groups for outreach

Next meeting November 18th, Waterloo Aquatic Center 6:30 p.m.