Mehoopany Creek Watershed Association

Minutes

May 17, 2012

Members present: Rusty Bennett; Dave Krafjack; Monica Denison; John Decker; Emily Krafjack; Dennis Mingus; Cliff Furman; Frank and Ginny Miner., Bernie Scalzo.

Guest: Dave Taylor, Erosion and Sedimentation Technician with the Wyoming County Conservation District.

The meeting was opened with the reading of the minutes. Emily Krafjack made a motion to approve the minutes. Monica Denison seconded the motion; motion carried.

The treasurer presented the treasurer’s report (see attached) with the following balances:

- Regular checking account – BB $3,117.66  EB $3,138.66
- Windy Valley project 3 – BB $4,770.09  EB $4,770.32
- Windy Valley project 4 – No activity

Cliff Furman made a motion to accept the treasurer’s report as presented. Dennis Mingus seconded the motion; motion carried.

Emily Krafjack presented her report which included a report on the Susquehanna River Basin Commission and also the gas industry.

Old Business:

- Small Projects – Low bid of $28,000 came in for the project at Traver’s in North Branch Township.
  - The men cutting trees in the creek have been moved; however, Rusty hopes to have them returned to our area.
- 501©3 – our status has been re-instated.
- Windmill update – Dave Taylor presented a slide presentation on the E & S regulations that are mandated in the construction of the roads and sites of the wind turbines.
- Litter pickup – Sunday at 9:30 AM
- Website – Bernie suggested the name of Mehoopany Creek.org. He will research the cost of registering the name and we shall go with the best price.

New Business:

- Camera – A battery and a charger were purchased. Emily Krafjack made a motion to reimburse Rusty Bennett $22.48 for the cost of purchase. John Decker seconded the motion; motion carried.
- Ginny Miner made a motion to pay $44.00 to renew the Post Office Box for the Association. Frank Miner seconded the motion; motion carried.
- Windy Valley project 3A – Bids have been submitted for the project: Adams - $470,000; Meadville - $379,000; Dobrinski Brothers - $355,000. Dave Krafjack made the motion to accept the low bid of $355,000 on the project from Dobrinski Brothers. Frank Miner seconded the motion; motion approved. In taking this bid, the bottom cross rock vein will be replaced with a J hook and the upper wall depth will be shortened to 3 feet below the top of the lower wall rather than 6 feet.
Liming – The decision by the committee was to hold off and check the pH in the stream this Fall.
If it is still high, lime will not be added to it.
Dennis Mingus moved for adjournment. John Decker seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Stark
Secretary