

COOKS CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
May 23, 2024

In Attendance – Scott, Travis, Jim, Sarah and Lois.

Approval of Minutes –The Annual Board meeting minutes of April 25, 2024 were approved; all in favor, 5-0.

Mail- No mail.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's Report was approved by a motion from Sarah/Lois; 5-0. Note: \$30,000 was placed into Fidelity on 5-20-2024 at a rate of 5%.

Pay Bills –1) Lois for postage of newsletter - \$84.64. 2) Scott for T-shirts, and totes for the Creek and River Festival - \$1250.43.

Committee Reports

Newsletter – Lois –The Summer 2024 newsletter has a deadline date of August 1. The Annual Report and the Annual Financial Report will be included.

Social media – all –Travis will work with Jeff Heehs on the website update to include a donate button so dues can be paid or donations made to CCWA at the Festival. This update will include a QR code. Festival events will be listed on the website calendar. Other postings include Instagram and Facebook.

Membership – Scott – None to report.

Watershed Coalition of the Lehigh Valley (WCLV)/Lower Delaware Wild & Scenic (LDW&S)– Lois/Jim–The LDW&S will meet June 28 by Zoom. The Watershed Coalition is meeting June 5. Travis and Scott will attend. Our insurance certificate will be shown to Bill Wickert from the Silver Creek Athletic Association in preparation for the Festival events.

Environmental Monitoring – Scott – Scott will look at the stream water gauges this week or next.

Planning/Ordinances – Scott/Lois- Durham is looking at Stormwater Protection plans. The State plans should be adopted.

Education – Scott – The Mini Monster Mayhem will be June 15, 9:30 - Noon. Meet at Scott's place at 8 am.

Old Business –

Festival – July 13, 2024 is the festival date (next meeting is June 3)

Our booth – We will have historical information, the *In Cook's Country* books, old minutes and a felt board with Velcro for attaching the interesting information.

Invertebrate Safari – This safari is scheduled for 13:30 to the close of the Festival.

Mini Monster is June 15

Growing Greener Grant kick off– This grant will update the “CCW Protection Plan”, and involves a study by Princeton Hydro. The grant is \$52,575. Hours will need to be matched by volunteers doing work for this grant. The Cooks Creek will be walked and

observed by the Durham EAC and Springfield EAC. Blake Timochenko will set up the volunteer work and count the volunteer hours. He is the contact person for communication.

New Business –

Kimberton – Travis signed CCWA up for “round up at the register”, a program at Kimberton that could bring in donations if we are chosen. Early this Fall is when Kimberton will choose those for the 2025 year.

Springtown Source water protection – With the Springfield Township Comprehensive Plan being updated Springtown’s source water should be protected. Of note, the source is in Lower Saucon and Springfield Townships.

Adjourn

Next Board Meeting will be at the firehouse on June 28? (Scott is out of town). Moved to July 8th a Monday after the Festival meeting at Silver Creek AA.

Respectively submitted by Lois Oleksa.