

YELLOW BREECHES WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES (Approved)
March 14, 2007

Attendance: Bill Apgar, Dennis Auker, Steve Hoffman, Wayne Kobler, Jenn Hoffman, Gary Mullen, John Eby, John Brossman, Rich Pugh, Vince McCollum, Bob Edwards

Meeting Location: Lower Allen Township Community Park Barn

Meeting Summary

Meeting call to order: 6:05 p.m.

Minutes Approval: Motion by Dennis Auker to approve minutes from December 13, 2006. Seconded by Vince McCollum. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report –John Brossman provide the report for the current balance in Commerce Bank checking account including interest posted for year end was \$2,634.50. Deposits in 2007 ending March 9, 2007 was \$405.00. Interest posted as of February 15, 2007 was \$0.30. Total balance in the account is \$3,039.80.

POWR membership renewal is \$30.00. Liability insurance for 200 members including administrative fee is \$234.00 renewal for 2007. This is an increase of \$4.00 from 2006.

Action Item: John Eby to obtain written confirmation from Susan Obleski of SRBC to carry over 2007 grant with statement of grant amount.

President's Report – John Eby

- **United Water PA invitation to participate in Trout Day Activities** for March 13, 2007. Meet at the United Water area at 6:00 am. The YBWA Table Top display will be brought by Rich Righ to the event.
- **Committee membership and leadership.** Vince McCollum has lead on the website; Need Pat Devlin's help on the Newsletter; John Eby needs a volunteer to take over Education Subcommittee.
- **CVTU GGII grant for 2 dam removals-update.** Green Lane Farms and Spangler's Mill. No new information.
- **Carroll Township/WalMart-citizen's concerns re: Dogwood Run** John discussed with Carroll Township staff. Waivers are for the depth of water in ponds. No action occurred at the February 12, 2007 Carroll Township meeting. YBWA action is to speak to watershed stewardship and bring attention of the Township to the RCP. YBWA should find out more about the project. Vince McCollum will check with DEP and York County Conservation District to find out more information.
- **DCNR Charitable Organization Registration.** Dave Martineau will fill out application to register YBWA.
- **MOU with CAPSEC re: Monitoring program.** Bill Apgar provided an update on monitoring. There are 21 sites with 10 on the main stem Yellow Breeches. Bill would like input from YBWA on the monitoring design plan and asked for assistance. Bob

Edwards and Jen Hoffman offered their help in the plan review. We should review the RCP on how we can use the data.

Motion by Vince McCollum to enter into a MOU with CAPSEC concerning the collection and utilization of monitoring data for the Yellow Breeches Creek pending review of Stream Monitoring Plan. Seconded by John Brossman. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Review meeting & events calendar for 2007.** Vince McCollum to call Mt. Holly Springs for meeting schedule for 2007. Activities for calendar include Trout Day on March 31. May 4 and 5 is Mechanicsburg Middle School Environmental Days-Table Top Display. Trail Day at Lower Allen Township-date unknown. Clean-up on Lisburn Fire Hall property.

Committee Reports

Public Education & Outreach Committee Report – John Eby

- **Need volunteer to chair.** JOHN NEEDS A VOLUNTEER TO LEAD EFFORT
- **Newsletter update-** Assistance needed from Pat Devlin.
- **Web Site Update-** Vince McCollum.
- **Key events to display tabletop exhibit** (see above)

Projects & Monitoring Committee Report – Jayson Romig & Bill Apgar

- **Water Trail Project Update to be provided by subcommittee members**
- **Annual watershed monitoring report-**Bill reported on MOU
- **Streamside cleanup potential project sites-**Bill
- **Potential improvement projects-**Jake Romig is taking lead on evaluating a potential stream improvement project on Gary Mullen's property. The PA Growing Greener grant would be the funding vehicle to perform riparian buffer improvements.

Motion by John Brossman to direct Jake Romig to proceed with application for the Growing Greener Grant and have the Executive Committee make decision on draft application. Seconded by Vince McCollum. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership & Fundraising Committee Report – Dennis Auker

- **Membership Status and Renewals (Bring your renewals if still outstanding).** Dennis is processing membership renewals. About 50 percent processed and 50 percent of the corporate memberships are processed. Dennis would like to institute a Send a letter campaign to a Friend to help boost memberships.

Water Trail Update- Water Trail designation announced this spring. The signage plan is to provide a general water trail sign with the Yellow Breeches logo. Approximately 22 signs are needed and will need quote for 30 signs. There will be two signs per location with the second sign to be numbered. The water trail is on the www.ccpa.net web site.

Trout Run Initiative Update – The Trout Run signage is up.

Cedar Run Initiative Update – Permit to remove two small dams.

Mountain Creek Initiative Update – No report

Dogwood Run Initiative Update –

Spruce Run- Wayne Kobler spoke on restoration needs for a 1000 foot section of stream. The location is around the Cold Springs Road-Mt. Holly Water Company and Ridge Road area. The Forestry Department could assist in doing some restoration work.

Motion by Bob Edwards to close the meeting. Second by Vince McCollum. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Next Board Meeting – June 13, 2007, Given Library, Mt. Holly Springs