

Shermans Creek Conservation Association
March 22, 2010 Members & Community Meeting

Attendance

Linda Sieber, Chair
Karen Bolze, V.Chair
Gary Fleeger

Janet Smith, Treasurer
Angela Schreffler, Secretary
Dan Farber

Dick Gregg, Director
Matt Fry, Director
Art Dalla Piazza

Minutes – Jan 25th Meeting

Minutes were summarized

Treasurers Report

Received a renewal bill for POWR liability insurance. Checked books and SCCA has never paid for this insurance in the past. Cost is \$300 – very little money in the bank at this time and group decided to not start purchasing the insurance this year.

Membership

Very few members have renewed thus far (less than 10). Renewal letter sent attached to meeting reminder email electronically. Need to send renewal notices through the mail to those that do not have email addresses. Angela needs to send Linda the 2010 member list thus far.

ALLARM

Nitrate re-training to be scheduled. Also need to schedule a QA/QC Survey. Macroinvertebrate training and potentially add this sampling to the program?

Cold Water Fishery Initiative

No update has been provided since inception.

2010 Crock Sale

\$29 each – 6 left. Have crocks left from previous years. What should we do with the surplus? Possible raffle the crocks at an event – group a few of the crocks together...

Perry County Greenway Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Study

No SCCA officers were able to attend the scheduled public meetings. Art provided an update. The plan will gather existing facilities mapping, as well as future planning. Recent meetings were soliciting public input – some of the items public wanted to see included more boating access to Shermans Creek. Also mentioned stream access to the Susquehanna is limited due to the railroad that parallels the river.

Website/e-update

Have rec'd positive comments from public. Added macro section to website. Add a master gardener section to website?

Creek Cleanup – June 5th

8:15 – 1:00PM, rain date – June 12th. Township will pay for disposal, but can't leave the CCD dumpsters longer than 2 weeks. Short discussion followed whether SCCA paid last year for the dumpsters (that never got used due to the weather) or township. Township thought they paid, but they will be rechecking to make sure they did not, because SCCA definitely paid for them. Gary F. was looking for canoes for the clean up – PFBC is booked. However, a quick poll of members at the meeting and other members we routinely receive canoes from and it seems we will have enough canoes just from membership

Water Monitoring Program Revision

Linda & Matt will be meeting 3/26 to discuss revisions to the program (sites, parameters, etc.) ALLARM will be doing a macro training program and then we will be able to start macro sampling at designated sites. Date to be determined.

Master Gardner Tree Planting at Burn Hill Park – May 22

Volunteers from SCCA welcome

Rain Barrel Programs

Master Gardeners will have one April 10th in Marysville – Dan & Addie, Linda, Angela to attend

SCCA rain barrel program to schedule June 19 or July 10? Volunteers??

SCCA Project Planning

What else can we do this year?

Discussion led to surveying the public for what programs they would like/attend. Surveys to be brought to events, posted in the Carroll Township Community Center, and possibly online – survey monkey. ***Everyone is to email Linda with ideas/questions for the public survey by April 10.***

- Other ideas – programs at Little Buffalo – Karen to call to determine location and possible teaming – butterfly program? Mothman? Bee pollinator program?
- Angela to contact Nature Conservancy – next year do a night walk/search at vernal pools for frogs/salamanders – NC does at Kings Gap routinely
- Conduct macro demonstrations at summer camps
- SCCA booths at fairs/events/nature festivals
- Nature Abounds – wildlife monitoring program