

**Shermans Creek Conservation Association  
May 11, 2009 – Members & Community Meeting**

**Attendance:**

**Linda Sieber, Chair  
Matt Fry**

**Janet Smith, Treasurer**

**Angela Schreffler, Secretary**

**Open Director Position**

Linda asked Matt if he would like to fill the open Director position for SCCA. Matt was interested, although mentioned he does need to travel, so may be missing some events and meetings. Linda nominated Matt for the Director position and Janet seconded the motion. Matt Fry was elected to SCCA Director.

**Minutes**

Linda and Angela gave a brief overview of the minutes from March meeting.

**Treasurers Report**

We currently have a balance of \$6,120.23; however, expenses from the newsletter have not come through yet.

**Membership** – No new members since March...hopefully after newsletter membership will increase.

**ALLARM** Linda will be scheduling a nitrate re-training for monitors – several have not passed two QC events. Nitrate training at Linda's house on a monitoring day is a possibility.

Karen and Matt will be conducting research for bacterial monitoring standards and problems.

**WREN Grant** SCCA didn't receive a WREN grant for 2009. However, several of the components can still be completed without additional funding (education of the Healthy Yard Initiative, Rain Barrel workshop with Carroll Twp., etc.). Unless we secure another grant, the May newsletter will be the only newsletter this year.

**SCCA & Community Events and other New Business**

**Conservation District Envirothon May 6<sup>th</sup>** – Dan & Linda attended. Lots of rain...had a booth for the students. Next time need to laminate and improve displays to get people to the booth. Would be good to own a tent for events.

**Creek Clean up – June 6<sup>th</sup>** – Gary Fleeger can help on the 6<sup>th</sup>, not the 13<sup>th</sup>. Angela's Environmental Professional Assoc. may be assisting. Meet at Drumgold's (shortcut Road) and head to swim site before Delville Bridge. Advertise better and notify residents (distribute fliers?) Waterfront properties to assist?

**Newsletter** – May newsletter went out May 12<sup>th</sup>. No more newsletters for this year due to lack of funding. Next newsletter should include Native Plants info and the 2010 Crock Ad. Until we have funding for our own newsletters, we should look into contributing to township newsletters for educational articles or event announcements. Will have flyers at events for other events upcoming. Will be continue the e-update monthly.

**2010 Cocks** – Sample has cattail design – have not received photo of sample yet. Advertise in newspaper, fliers?

**Nimrod Event on June 27<sup>th</sup>** – Macro program – Linda, Karen, Dan & Addies, Susan Beinhaur (MG) – Angela, if needed. At Duncannon Sportsman Assoc – by bakery/ballfield on Route 11/15. Need to improve display of macros...have previously tried epoxy, but it turns yellow. Possibly clay macro examples?

**Other Summer 2009 projects** – Perry County Fair August 25-29 and Carroll Community Center Programs with Perry County Master Gardeners and Don Kline's Forestry program. Hershey has donated 15-20 barrels for the Carroll Township Rain Barrel workshop. Composting workshop with MG?? Possibly a native plant or other Healthy Yard educational workshop.

"Healthy Yard" project with local Master Gardeners, using our Enviroscap Model as a means to demonstrate the proper use of pesticides and fertilizers, encourage the use of native plants, address runoff through buffers and to inspire others to create habitat gardens and wildlife corridors. Master Gardeners will also assist the SCCA and Perry County Conservation District with other public programs regarding storm water managements, improving wildlife habitats, removing invasive species, planting native vegetation, butterfly gardens, non-point source pollution, and other related topics of interest.

**PCMG** – cancelled Yellow Breeches Middle School event (4/22) – Linda and Susan B. will present in the fall.

**Other:** Perry County Recycling has changed item they accept. They now accept office paper, but no longer accept glass (Starting in June). On June 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be an electronics recycling day in Duncannon – Business Campus One, next to Mutzabaugh's

Tom Prescott had contacted Linda and mentioned a Fish and Boat Commission grant opportunity, but hasn't emailed Linda with details yet.

**Next Meeting: July 27<sup>th</sup>**

**2009 Schedule:** September 28, November 16, and January 25, 2010

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.