

QUITTAPAHILLA WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
Meeting Minutes
Annville Town Hall
November 19, 2019

Present: Mike Schroeder, Karen Feather, Russ Collins, Alicia Norris, Stephan Vegoe, Joseph Connor, Elliott Fackler

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

1. **Minutes.** The minutes of the 17 October meeting were not circulated before the meeting; Mike offered his apologies and attributed the lapse to the time constraints imposed by his PA Senate run.
2. **Snitz Creek Project 2.** Russ and Mike provided an update on Snitz Creek Project 2, a tributary of Snitz Creek known locally as Elizabeth Run. On November 4, Mike, Russ, and Rocky Powell presented Rocky's Snitz Creek Project 2 proposal to the Cornwall Borough Planning Commission [using the PowerPoint presentation later posted on the Studies & Documents page of the QWA website]. The proposal called for the Borough to acquire a perpetual conservation easement on the property for the proposed wetlands and provide compensation to the landowner, at a total cost of \$116,000, which includes \$16,000 compensation. The following week, on Monday, November 11, Mike, Russ, and Rocky offered a similar presentation and proposal to the Cornwall Borough Council at its monthly public meeting. Council voted to support the proposal and agreed to present the proposed compensation package to the holdout landowner.
3. **Snitz Creek Project 4.** Russ reported that not enough progress has been made getting landowner permissions for Snitz Creek Project 4 along a different section of Elizabeth Run in Cornwall Borough, and that they are organizing a community meeting for the week after Thanksgiving to promote the project and address any property owners' concerns.
4. **Killinger Creek Project 5.** Mike reported that funding is being released by the Conservation Fund for Killinger Creek Project 5, proposed by Bill Wall of Steckbeck Engineering and turned down for funding in the Sunoco Penalty Grant funding round of June 2018. The project is moving forward.
5. **Bachman Run Project.** Russ reported that he has kept South Annville Township in the loop on the proposal to the PA Fish & Boat Commission to restore 2,800 linear feet of Bachman Run, at a cost of around \$861,000, a proposal sponsored by Doc Fritchey Trout Unlimited (DFTU).
6. **Monitoring.** The following five individuals have volunteered to serve as Volunteer Monitors for the QWA's monitoring program: Mike, Stephan, Joseph, Elliott, and Kent. Plans for implementing the monitoring program are being developed.
7. **Treasurer Report.** Alicia reported that \$8,817.73 was deposited in the QWA's account. This included \$5,531.00 allocated by the Lebanon County Stormwater Consortium for streamflow monitoring equipment. A more complete report is forthcoming.
8. **Internship Report.** Mike reported that the final Summer 2019 Internship Report is not yet complete, and said he would be in touch with interns Michael and Sara for the final report.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Schroeder, Secretary Pro Tem