WPCAMR

Western PA Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation
Quarterly Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2019
Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA

In attendance:

Dennis Beck, President, Cambria Delegate

Chelsea Walker, Treasurer,

Westmoreland Delegate

Anne Daymut (Staff)

Cliff Denholm, SRI

Margaret Dunn, SRI

Jared Zinn, Vice President, Greene Delegate Maria Sorce, Armstrong CD

Amy Miller, Secretary, Allegheny Delegate

Andy McAllister (Staff)

Jennifer Dann, Washington Alternate

Todd Thornburg, Washington Delegate

WPCAMR BUSINESS MEETING:

Meeting called to order at 10:08 am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's Report (Anne Daymut):

Review of past meeting minutes with the correction of spelling errors. Motion (Zinn/Walker) to accept the February 2019 minutes. Passed.

Treasurer's Report (Chelsea Walker):

See report for details.

Motion (Walker/Thornburg) to accept the treasurer's report. Passed.

Correspondence (Andy McAllister):

OLD BUSINESS

Regional Coordinator's Report (Andy McAllister): See report for details. Report on meeting webpage. Watershed Coordinator's report (Anne Daymut): See report for details. Report on meeting webpage.

NEW BUSINESS

Special Presentation: Westminster College Student Presentations

Conservation District/Agency/Watershed Association reports (All present):

Those in attendance reported on current and future activities within their respective organizations that relate to

WPCAMR interests.

- Jennifer Dann has maintenance at AMD treatment systems scheduled for this summer.
- Amy Miller reported that Construction on the Milk Run AMD treatment system is still in progress.
- Chelsea Walker is working on maintenance at Booker site in Armstrong County. She is also hoping to submit a Growing Greener proposal in the up-coming round.
- Denny reported that Cambria CD was awarded 6 Growing Greener projects in this last round. A lot of them are streambank restoration projects. They have also been really into education and taking tours and cleanups
- Jared Zinn is our new Vice President.

- Cliff Denholm reported that SRI has a few new grants for treatment system maintenance. They also
 have a grant to work with Blacklick to rebuild a system and with AWARE to write a QHUP. They are
 hoping to have an update to Datashed by the end of the year and then a mobile app will come after
 that. They also still have the TAG to help with system maintenance.
- Bob Onyshko noted that Ehrnfeld has been shut down for a few months.
- Maria Sorce is the new Watershed Specialist for Armstrong CD. She will be involved with a couple AMD Treatment system projects over the summer.
- Margaret Dunn thanked WPCAMR for continued support through the Quick Response program. Jennings will be holding an event next summer.

Staff Merit Raise for Anne Daymut

Motion to approve staff merit raise for Anne Daymut (Zinn/Sorce). Passed.

Fundraising Activity

Discussion on logistics. Motion to approve fundraiser as decided upon by Chelsea Walker (Walker/Sorce). Passed.

Rare Earth Elements Project

Andy has done research on how this project could affect our non-profit status. He has checked with the Bank and the Accountant. There could be issues with cash flow and FDIC insurance. Motion made to decline being the fiscal agent. (Miller/Walker). Passed.

ARIPPA Award Nominations

Motion to recommend ARIPPA Award to be distributed as follows: \$1,800 to Clearfield Creek Watershed Association for the Swank Discharge and \$700 to Armstrong Conservation District for the Kimmel Reclamation site pending ARIPPA Approval (Thornburg/Miller abstained by Walker and Sorce). Passed.

Remaining Meetings for 2019: August 8, and November 14, 2019

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 am

Minutes taken and prepared by Anne Daymut Approved by Amy Miller on 5/6/2019