

Minutes

Warm Springs Watershed Association

February 5, 2014

Attendance: Stacy Dugan, Betty Harmison, Norman Dean, Kate Lehman, Larry Lower, Rebecca MacLeod, and Andy Swaim were present; Susan Jones, and Carol Reece have an excused absence. Other people in attendance were: Alana Hartman and Tim Seims

Treasurer's Report: Bills paid since the last meeting include the following: \$55.46 was paid to Susan Jones for reimbursement for gas for the trip to Charleston. This item had been approved at a previous meeting. A bill for \$17.50 was paid to the Morgan Messenger for printing the most recent edition of the newsletter. This item is in the budget, and thus requires no approval on the part of the Board. \$48.00 was paid to the US Postal Service for our mailbox. Again, this item is in budget, so no approval is needed. \$1949.53 was paid to Cacapon Institute for work done on the 2013 Stream Partners grant. This expense is part of the Memorandum of Understanding with CI, which the board approved; therefore, no previous approval was needed. Twenty dollars in dues was deposited. The balance at CNB as of December 4, 2013, was \$14403.04; the balance as of February 5, 2014, is \$12,352.55. Larry recommended that the report be filed to audit.

Secretary's Report/Minutes: Stacy moved/Betty seconded that the Minutes from the December meeting be approved as written. The vote was unanimous.

Committee Reports: Betty and Kate will serve on the Nominating Committee. A slate of potential board members will be presented at the March meeting.

Unfinished Business: Alana explained the regulations surrounding the 2014 Stream Partners Grant, which was for \$4315.00. Board members signed an agreement saying we accept the funds and will follow the guidelines for spending the money.

New Business

Larry gave a report on the **Green Infrastructure Grant Proposal** and asked for a Letter of Support from the WSWA Board. Rebecca moved/ Stacy seconded that we write said Letter of Support. The vote was unanimous.

To Do: Kate will write and submit said letter of support.

Andy presented a **Proposed Budget for 2014**. Suggestions were made for revisions, which will be presented to the Board at the March meeting.

Kate presented the letter of application for the **Hotel/Motel Tax Distribution**. Stacy moved/ Larry seconded that we submit the proposal to the Town of Bath. The vote was unanimous.

Make it Shine was scheduled for Tuesday, April 8 with a rain date of the 11th. We will meet at the Board of Education Headquarters at 9:00 AM for training. We will clean up trash

from the Board of Education Headquarters to Jimstown Road. Our scheduled time of completion is 12:00 noon.

It was proposed that WSWA once again join with Sleepy Creek Watershed Association, Friends of the Cacapon, the Town of Bath, and the Town of Bath Cemetery Management and Maintenance Corporation to sponsor an **ad** for Make it Shine in the Morgan Messenger. Rebecca moved/Betty seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

To Do: Kate will submit an application to the WV DEP and provide details of our event to Rachel D'Agostino, who will create the ad copy.

Stacy moved/Larry seconded that Tyler Orr be recognized as our candidate for the **Chamber of Commerce Volunteer Recognition Day**. The vote was unanimous.

To Do: Stacy will interview Tyler and present the award.

There was discussion about whether or not WSWA will participate in the Volunteer Recognition event in 2015. The consensus was that we will not participate unless the event is significantly streamlined in terms of time.

To Do: Kate will write a draft letter explaining our position, to be presented at the March meeting of the WSWA Board.

Morgan County Citizens for School Success asked if WSWA would sponsor a program to present their position on the proposed school levy. The consensus of the group was that a program of this nature does not fit within our mission.

Adjournment: Rebecca moved/Larry seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The vote to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will take place on March 26, 2014 @ 5:00 at the Morgan County Extension Office.