

**Minutes of the 2012 Board Meeting
Warm Springs Watershed Association
December 4, 2015**

(In the reminder of the Goal Setting meeting, it was announced that various pieces of time-sensitive business would be conducted prior to the official purpose of the meeting.)

Attendance: Michael Brooks, Norman Dean, Jeff Iliff; Kate Lehman, Larry Lower, Tim Rowland, Andy Swaim, Bob Wurster, Rebecca MacLeod, who arrived into BWI airport at noon, arrived after board business had been concluded.

Announcements: Kate announced that the **C-Tree report** on the November 7th tree planting at the Fearnow Road property has been submitted and accepted. Larry announced that Thrasher Engineering has published a report on **potential sites for installation of green stormwater management practices** in the upper watershed. WSWA has been given one copy of the document; there are also hard copies in at town hall. This project was co-sponsored by Region 9, Streetscapes, WVDEP and WSWA.

Treasurer's Report: Andy reported that at our last board meeting, October 21, 2015, there was \$13,744.51 cents in our CNB account. Since that time there has been one credit:

- \$125 from the Hotel/Motel Disbursement program.

Four bills have been paid, all of which were approved at the October meeting:

- \$195.23 to Bob Wurster for supplies purchased for the water diverter project
- \$4.40 to the Morgan Messenger for printing hard copies of the membership renewal letter
- \$12.51 to reimburse Kate for the purchase of wheat seeds to use as a cover crop in the area where we cut purple loosestrife
- \$840.00 to GHS, Inc. for work done in order to install the water diverters in Greenway Cemetery.

As of today, December 4, the balance in the CNB account is \$12,817.13.

Finance Committee: Andy presented the following bills to be paid:

- \$43.34 reimbursement to Kate for food purchased for CTree Planting;
- \$17.50 to the Morgan Messenger for printing hard copies of the newsletter
- \$60.00 to Earth Dog Café for today's food
- \$10.00 for a tip for today's server.

Bob moved/Larry seconded that we give our server a tip of \$10.00. The vote was unanimous. Larry moved/Bob seconded that we pay all of the bills presented by Andy.

Good progress is being made in the **2015 Stream Partners** project in Greenway Cemetery. The water diverters have been installed. As outlined in the proposal, we will create swales to replace some of the deep ditches; mini-clover will be planted in the swales, which will also help to reduce erosion and to

absorb some runoff. It was agreed to purchase rain barrels and soaker hoses to be used to water the seed when it is planted. These supplies can be used elsewhere in the cemetery as more grass is replaced by no-mow/low-maintenance ground cover.

Cacapon Institute Summer Program for Youth: Kate reported on a summer program for youth sponsored by the Cacapon Institute. Even though we have not yet identified a potential young person to attend, if we pay \$200.00 in tuition for a youth now (rather than wait until March) there will be a reduced price, and the youth we sponsor will receive a “bonus package.” Kate has asked a science teacher at the Middle School to submit a poster about the program to his students to determine if anyone is interested. Larry moved/Tim that we make the early bird payment to send kid to CI watershed camp. The vote was unanimous.

It was recommended that interested students write an essay telling about their interest in watershed work as a way to determine who we will sponsor at the camp.

Master Gardener Plant Fair: Tim moved/Jeff seconded that we participate in the Plant Fair again this coming May. The vote was unanimous.

Morgan County Day in Charleston: Susan Trump is sponsoring “Morgan County Day” in Charleston on Monday, January 18. While January 18th is an official holiday, the legislature will be in session. Various organizations from around the county will have an opportunity to set up a table to inform visitors to the capital about the issues facing the county, as well as the work being done by that group. Andy moved/Mike seconded that WSWA participate in this opportunity. Jeff, Tim and Kate agreed to meet to talk about our display. All costs incurred by participants will be paid out of pocket, but recognized as donation to WSWA.

Membership Renewal: Mike reminded us that membership runs from January 1 until December 31. He proposed that we offer people an opportunity to pay \$25.00 for a three-year renewal of membership. Bob moved/Larry seconded this motion. The vote was unanimous.