

Minutes

South Licking Watershed Conservancy District

April 18, 2017 (Tuesday) at 6 pm.

Hebron Municipal Complex ~ 934 W. Main Street, Hebron

Call to Order by Chairman Dan Blatter

Stand for the Pledge

Roll Call – Directors: Dan Blatter and Linda Nicodemus

Visitors – Joe Hart (Licking Township Trustee) & Jeff Martin (H.W. Martin & Son Co.)

Approve Minutes – February 21, 2017 – Dan read the minutes and then made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. Linda seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – \$1,923.88 – Dan made a motion to approve. Linda seconded and motion carried.

Old Business

- a. Finding another Director – Dan has not heard from Fairfield County Judge Richard Berens or others who have offered to speak to a few people regarding this vacancy.
- b. Log jam presentation – Linda presented some historic aerial photos, drone footage and pictures of the log jam to explain the location, size, the large number of blockages and sediment. With these images she could explain the magnitude of the blockage that extends around 500 feet. This completely fills the riverbed. An oxbow has formed for the water to flow around the blockage. But now there is a large logjam in the Licking River blocking the oxbow and is eroding the river bank on the eastside just to come around to the oxbow. The Oxbow itself has three other log jams in it. It is also shallower than the riverbed which is causing more sediment, erosion and trees to fall. This is a project needs to be addressed. Trustee Joe Hart stated that they would be supportive of the project. Jeff Martin stated that the feeder ditch has some of the same issues. Everyone agrees that this needs to have support from all the entities involved. Linda stated that she had presented this to Hebron Council is supportive too. Linda's Action plan:
 1. John Hoopingarner - Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District
 2. The Conservancy Court – Judge Marcelain
 3. County Commissioners
- c. Feeder Ditch – Dan and Jeff Martin discussed setting a time to get the County's drone and operator Jeff Robb to video the feeder. He stated that if it could be scheduled before the crops are planted it would be easy to access everything. If not it would have to wait until fall.

New Business

- a. Buckeye Lake Dam project – Dan discussed the ODNR directive to not allow any stormwater drains into the dam. Trustee Joe Hart stated that he was attending those meetings and had wondered how that would affect these projects. Since they will either have to run the stormwater into the feeder ditch or the South Fork. This is a concern since the logjam and the feeder concerns for our watershed. Flooding is the main natural hazard in our county so putting more water in the floodway and floodplain of the Licking River affects us all.

Motion to adjourn at 7:17 pm

Next Meeting: **May 16, 2017 -- 6pm**

Approved on _____, 2017

Linda Nicodemus