Minutes

South Licking Watershed Conservancy District

September 10, 2018, at 6 pm Hebron Municipal Complex 934 W. Main Street, Hebron

Chairman Dan Blatter called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Directors: Bob Cumbow, Dan Blatter and Linda Nicodemus

Visitors present: Denise Brooks, Jeff Martin, Harold Martin, Matt Bauman,

Approve Minutes of July 9, 2018: Bob moved the July Minutes be approved as corrected, second by Linda and the motion passed. (No meeting was held in August)

Treasurer's Report - \$1,741.76 as of the end of August; Dan asked for questions, there being none, Dan moved to approve the Treasurer's Report; Bob seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Old Business

- a. Feeder Ditch
 - a. No activity has begun to improve the lower end of the Feeder (to SR 37 in Fairfield County) as intended by Buckeye Lake for Tomorrow. No activity expected until new administration is in place.
 - b. Some work being done is associated with the Buckeye Lake Dam rehabilitation by ODNR
- b. ODNR has placed excess dam material along Pigeon Swamp Ditch as a roadway to access the Feeder from Swamp Road; additional material is stockpiled on VanBuren according to Jeff Martin.
 - a. Dan will get Pete George's contact information (phone number) to Bob Cumbow.
 - b. Harold Martin reminded us of the 1931 injunction limiting dimensions of the Feeder in its upper end.
- c. South Fork Log Jam all contract work has been completed. Much work remains as the log jam is collecting new materials. Contacts have been made to include this work in a list of projects for the Ohio National Guard.
- d. Watershed Plan
 - a. We learned, from our attorney, that the Board has certain powers to institute regulations applicable to the Conservancy District. Our thought being to adopt regulations, such as local MS4 regulations, to apply to the full conservancy district. Such a regulation could:
 - i. Prohibit or limit construction in flood-prone areas.
 - ii. Apply storm water and water quality controls to all developments in the conservancy district.
 - iii. Apply home septic system regulations to all parts of the district.
 - b. We need to make a recommendation to the court for a watershed plan..

New Business

- a. A stakeholder meeting was held by Army Corps of Engineers, in cooperation with MWCD, on July 17 in Newark as they conduct a Watershed Assessment on the Muskingum River Basin. That meeting brought issues to the attention to ACOE and a second meeting was held.
 - a. The second meeting was hosted by Newark and attended by many. ACOE funding was discussed.
 - i. They can help with the inventory and assessment of the watershed. We need to send them a Letter of Intent if we are interested, particularly since we represent the full watershed. This includes all of the South Fork and Raccoon Creek.
 - b. Linda will contact Jami at ACOE for more information.
- b. Motion made by Bob Cumbow to send a Letter of Intent to the ACOE to request a watershed plan under their Section 179, Dan seconded and motion carried.
 - a. Communication should be sent the units of government within the District to keep them aware of this intent and our need for local support and fund-match.

Comments:

Denise Brooks stated that interviews for Buckeye Lake Watershed Coordinator had been held with several good candidates and the selection and appointment should be forthcoming.

She also stated River Roundup was successful despite the rain.

Matt Baumann stated Buckeye Lake for Tomorrow is in search of funding for the proposed wetland off Cristland Hill Rd as the Grosse Brothers property.

Next Meeting: 6 pm, October 8, 2018, Hebron Municipal Complex.

Motion to adjourn by Linda, second by Bob, meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm

Approved on _____, 2018

Linda Nicodemus