



SCRA MEETING AGENDA AUG 08, 2023

- 1) Call to order**
- 2) Correspondence**
- 3) Treasurer's Report**
- 4) Financial Transactions**
 - TetraTech Invoice #52105272 - \$5,197.75
 - TM Services creek access for sampling @ Big Mtn - \$525.00
 - AOAA Lease Sep/Oct/Nov 2023 - \$300.00
 - RJ Renn Storage Jun/Jul/Aug 2023 - \$200.00
- 5) Old Business:**
 - Quaker Run Stream Rehabilitation Project (GG+)
 - Kulpmont Borough will be bidding project, design 75% complete
 - Rain garden to be added at 8th street will be included in design
 - EPA reoccurring meeting
 - Next meeting Aug 28 @ 9:30 via Microsoft Teams. All are welcome to join.
 - DEP EE Grant
 - Green Building Techniques Extended to Fall 2023
 - Mark Stansbury may be able to make signs for project
 - Reimbursement payments received for DEP 2021 & 2022 grants
 - DCED Grant
 - DCED grant funds received in full (\$200,00)
 - Bonding insurance established w/Traveler's
 - Enter agreement with auditing agency
 - University Projects
 - Professor Higgins working with Cliff Denholm of Stream Restoration Inc to provide sampling at treatment sites (delayed 1 month). No updates.
 - Requested final design for the Spring 2022 engineering project. Matt will provide once project is reviewed.
 - Venn Access Weir
 - Follow-up work needed for stream stabilization
 - Install new sign – who/when? Steve & Jim both have posts for sign.
 - Ask Mark Stansbury if he'd be interested in restoring pavilion sign at Site 42
 - Carbon Run Stream Assessment and Restoration Plan
 - Field work and sampling portion of project completed. Awaiting finalized eDNA & macroinvertebrate testing results.
 - EIP, TetraTech & SCRA members toured Carbon Run on 7/13 to look at open pits, mine fires, AML lands, etc. (Steve to update)
 - EIP will likely submit a BIL grant application 4th quarter, scope still to be defined. First phase design/permitting, 2nd phase construction
 - Rare Earth Minerals
 - PSU field visit occurred Jul 11 - Steve C, Prof. Mohammad, and Jim K. attended. Only enough time to visit Site 42. Next steps?



- Steve C. preparing Abstract & Presentation for PSU mining conference
- EPA to begin sampling Fall 2023 w/results Jan/Feb 2024
- Bette Conway presented information on CREMs to FAR & other organizations
- News-Item would like to visit the field when sampling begins
- EPA Funding
 - Grant application has progressed to the next phase of review
 - \$500 K for staff. SCRA lead applicant.
 - \$1 million for job corps. Shamokin City is applicant.
- Continued Involvement with Environmental Resiliency Plan Projects
- Susquehanna Coal Company
 - Emails have gone unanswered – next steps?

6) New Business

- ARIPPA Project
 - Application submitted May 31, 2023 for \$4800 to purchase 1.87 acres of wetlands in Quaker Run Watershed
- Quaker Run Box Culvert Removal
 - BAMR/OSM has approved culvert removal project
 - Coal Township granted temporary easement to SCRA for culvert work
 - AOAA will take culvert, can they transport? SCRA to get measurements
 - TetraTech to research underground stream in the vicinity
 - Audia Real Estate Services preparing title search
 - SCRA start preparing & requesting letters of support for inclusion w/grant
- Buck Run Project
 - Refuse removal only
 - Met with BAMR & DEP Pottsville Jul 18 to discuss open permit status
 - Submit grant request for Development & Planning
- BOC Registration
 - 2023 BOC forms “out of balance” per state. Follow up with H&R Block
- Watershed Manager Position
 - Received \$20,000 from PA Assoc of Watersheds to hire a PT Watershed Manager position
 - Need to approve job description and scope, post job
- First Community Foundation Partnership
 - Grant application submitted May 31 for \$20,000 for Watershed Manager position
- PPL Empowering Communities Grant
 - Application submitted May 30 for \$15,000 general expenses associated w/watershed assessment project
- Conferences
 - Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conf Oct 24-26 Altoona PA (EPCAMR)
 - Statewide watershed conference Oct 29 & 30 Altoona PA (POWR)
- Custom Carport for Site 23
 - EPCAMR suggestion to assist with keeping leaves out of forebay & start sending water through the diversion wells again.
 - WPCAMR Quick Response grant may be able to cover the cost



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- Need to spec out and price carport purchase & installation
 - Watershed Assessment
 - EPCAMR taking 4th round of samples in the watershed on Aug 7 & 8

7) Public Comment – is there any public comment on items other than those on the agenda?

8) Adjournment

- Next monthly meeting – Sep 12th, 2023 6:30pm @ AOAA