



**SCRA MEETING MINUTES
AUG 08, 2023**

1) Call to order. Time: 6:33PM

2) Roll Call:

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| Present | Present | Present |
| Jim Koharski | Steve Motyka | John Bucanelli |

3) Attendees: Leanne Bjorklund, Steve Chrismer, Phil Dunn, Jeff Herb, Heather Makal, Angela Meck, Brenna Schneider, Susan Zaner

4) Treasurer’s Report:

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|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Acct # 201 CK | Acct # 301 CEAP | Acct # 501 GRANTS |
| \$ 28,592.05 | \$ 192,602.99 | \$ 34,768.02 |

- Motion to reimburse 501 Grants account from 301 CEAP Account for CK # 0306, 0307, 0308 totaling \$24,185.56

Motion: MOTYKA Second: BJORKLUND

On the question? _____

Voice Vote: All in Favor? **YES** Any Opposed?

The Motion passes / fails **PASSES**

- Motion to accept Treasurer’s Report: MOTYKA Second: BJORKLUND

On the question? _____

Voice Vote: All in Favor? **YES** Any Opposed?

The Motion passes / fails **PASSES**

5) Financial Transactions:

- TetraTech invoice #52105272- \$5,197.75

Motion: MOTYKA Second: BUCANELLI

On the question? _____

Voice Vote: All in Favor? **YES** Any Opposed?

The Motion passes / fails **PASSES**



- TM Services creek access for sampling @ Big Mtn invoice - \$525.00

Motion: MOTYKA Second: MAKAL

On the question? _____

Voice Vote: All in Favor? **YES** Any Opposed?

The Motion passes / fails **PASSES**

- AOAA Lease Sep/Oct/Nov 2023 - \$300.00

Motion: MOTYKA Second: BUCANELLI

On the question? _____

Voice Vote: All in Favor? **YES** Any Opposed?

The Motion passes / fails **PASSES**

- RJ Renn Storage Jun/Jul/Aug 2023 - \$200.00

Motion: MOTYKA Second: BUCANELLI

On the question? _____

Voice Vote: All in Favor? **YES** Any Opposed?

The Motion passes / fails **PASSES**

6) Minutes:

Old Business

- Quaker Run Stream Rehabilitation Project (GG+)
 - Kulpmont Borough will be bidding project, design 75% complete
[Still waiting to hear status on two grants](#)
 - 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
[Concrete being poured](#)
- DCED Grant
 - Enter agreement with auditing agency
[Met with Jeff Walker from CPA firm to discuss options – received informal quotes. Informed Jeff we are considering options](#)
- University Projects
 - [Matt Higgins will provide final design for the Spring 2022 engineering project once he has a chance to review data](#)



- Venn Access Weir
 - Install new sign – who/when?
Steve & Jim both have posts for sign. Ask Mark Stansbury if he'd be interested in restoring the sign on the pavilion 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 toured Carbon Run on 7/13 to look at open pits, mine fires, AML sites, etc.
EIP is interested in subsidence mitigation in identified areas (DEP Priority 2) and reestablishing stream channels
 - EIP will likely submit a BIL grant application 4th quarter, scope still to be defined. First phase design/permitting, 2nd phase construction
TetraTech working on report for EIP to look at opportunities. Angela will meet w/EIP 8/10/2023
- Rare Earth Minerals
 - Steve C. preparing abstract & presentation for PSU Mining conference
 - EPA to begin sampling Fall 2023 w/results Jan/Feb 2024
- EPA Funding
Grant application has progressed to the next phase of review
- Susquehanna Coal
Emails have gone unanswered – Phil will reach out to Masser

2) New Business

- Quaker Run Box Culvert Removal
BAMR/OSM has approved project
Coal Twsp. granted temporary easement to SCRA
AOAA will take culvert but would need it transported
- ARIPPA Project
Grant awarded for \$4800 to purchase 1.87 acres of Quaker Run wetlands
- Buck Run Project
 - Refuse removal only
 - Met w/BAMR & DEP Pottsville Jul 18 to discuss open permit status
 - Submit grant request for Dev & Planning
- Watershed Manager Position
 - Received \$20,000 from PA Assoc of Watersheds to hire PT manager
 - Motion to run ad in News-Item for 3 days @ \$110.00

Motion: MOTYKA Second: BJORKLUND

On the question? _____

Voice Vote: All in Favor? **YES** Any Opposed?

The Motion passes / fails **PASSES**



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- Watershed Assessment
 - EPCAMR will be taking the 4th round of samples in watershed on Aug 7 & 8

7) Correspondence – None

8) Adjournment: 8:10PM

- Next monthly meeting – September 05, 2023 6:30pm @ AOAA