

RCP Board Meeting October 28, 2015

6:30 pm, Waterloo

An RCWTA meeting was held in advance at 6:00 pm

In Attendance: Amy Mackey, Dustin Gross, Bob Eichenberg, Sarah Landers, Steve Malueg, Rocky McNickle, Chelsi Hempstead (Hocking College student), and Natalie Kruse-Daniels.

Minutes

Lacking a quorum, minutes were not approved.

Treasurer's Report

No report. However, Amy informed the group that she is still asking for funds (approximately \$300) from Ohio Valley RC&D. Sarah uses this for mileage. Amy also said that with the Quidel grant, a shed purchase can wait until spring when we know more about the status of the house at Waterloo. Boots can be purchased now.

Water Quality Specialist-Sarah

- Bio monitoring (fish and bugs) is finished. There are some bug sites yet to be done in 2016.
- Chemical monitoring is underway.
- 2016 will see maintenance at some sites. We will be replacing slag and there is some work to be done on the doser at Carbondale.
- A presentation was given to the Vinton SWCD.
- Jackson SWCD will also get a presentation. Jackson SWCD has a full time tech-person now. We are doing some collaboration. One example is stenciling stormwater inlets for education and awareness.

RCWTA

- Thanks to the volunteers who helped with the Fall Float.
- The Division of Wildlife grant is closed out.

Coordinator-Amy

- Amy, Jen Bowman, Steve, and Dustin attended the fall Ohio Mineland Partnership conference.
- Ohio EPA will study Raccoon Creek in 2016 to update the Total Maximum Daily Load data which hasn't been done since 1995.
- Macroinvertebrate ID starts this month.
- Dustin and Amy will attend the Mineral Resources Management public meeting.
- We will have a booth at the Piketon Science Alliance.
- Amy's contract expires 12/31/15 and the current contract is to be extended to 6/30/16. After that a new contract will have a larger percentage of OU and EPA funding as ODNR funds are reduced.

Americorps

- There were 2 camps in October and turnout was not great (3 at one and 5 at the other). There are too many kids for summer and not enough for fall. One idea is to have more in-school presentations before the camps so that awareness of the camps is higher. Another suggestion is to send out a Facebook notice to "Parents in Athens." Also suggested was more targeting of groups besides kids-have a Family Fun Day. We have our own archery equipment and Americorps can be certified to teach.
- At Make a Difference Day we cleared logjams on Jonathan Creek.

New Business

- Final preparations were made for ROAR and the annual dinner.