

**TRI-COUNTY CONEWAGO CREEK ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – MARCH 13, 2002, 7:00 PM  
MEETING MINUTES**

**I. Welcome and Introduction**

All Board members were present except for Chad Angle. Minutes from the February 27<sup>th</sup> general meeting were reviewed, edited and approved.

**II. Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation**

Bylaws were reviewed by the Board and various amendments were made:

Section 6 was amended to read "...meetings shall be mailed or emailed to each Director..."

Section 2 was amended to read "...no less than 7 and no more than 11..."

Additional discussion included an issue raised by Jay Book concerning liability insurance. Erick Smith will check into this matter and Matt Royer will check with Bob Kutz of the Lititz Run watershed on their policy. Both will report at the next Board meeting. With no further discussion, the Bylaws with amendments were approved.

**III. Elections of Officers and Terms of Directors**

The Board elected four officers: Matt Royer, President; Lindsey Morris, Vice-President; Hal Royer, Treasurer; Erin McKinne, Secretary. The Board decided on the following term limits:

1-year terms – Erick Smith, Tim Hoover, Nancy Kachniasz, Jay Book

2-year terms – Mike McKinne, Erin McKinne, Tom Murray

3-year terms – Hal Royer, Matt Royer, Chad Angle, Lindsey Morris

**IV. Committees**

The Board established four permanent committees (Funding, Projects, Membership, PR/Education) to help conduct the business and activities of TCCCA. Members of the TCCCA will be asked to sign up for committees at the next general meeting to be held March 27<sup>th</sup>.

**V. Dues System**

After much discussion, the Board established a Dues system to help fund projects, activities, and to help cover the cost of incorporation. Basic annual membership is \$5.00. A graduated scale was used which was based on other watershed groups to encourage contributions: Member, \$5.00; Contributor, \$10.00; Supporter, \$20.00; Steward, \$50.00; Conservationist, \$100.00.

**VI. Treasurer's Business**

A decision was made to set up a P.O. Box at the Elizabethtown post office for official business. Hal Royer will also establish a checking account at a local bank.

## **VII. WREN Grant**

Board discussed educational projects to pursue for the WREN Grant. Grant is due April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

- 1) Association brochures
- 2) Signs at streams, roadsides, etc...
- 3) Educational signs with basic information.
- 4) Lancaster and Lebanon County Rails to Trails signs.
- 5) Summer Rec program for students.
- 6) Stormdrain painting.
- 7) Watershed curriculum for schools.
- 8) Brochures geared toward landowners and farmers.
- 9) Video development/Website development.

## **VIII. Other Business**

Discussion was held on a new location for the April meeting. There was concern that the Londonderry Township Building was not a central enough location. The Lawn Fire Department has agreed to let the TCCCA meet in their facility.

Matt Royer extended an invitation from the Codorus Creek watershed organization to attend their meeting on Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at the York College Alumni Hall. They are interested in developing a "Riverkeepers Program".

Guest speaker suggestions for the April general meeting were discussed.

Landowner liaisons and a landowner database are important components to the TCCCA. There is a need for volunteers to help put together these items for Lancaster, Lebanon, and Dauphin Counties.

Discussed the need for a "Streamkeeper" position. Matt Royer suggested Jack Smith of Elizabethtown as a member who "knows the creek". This position would entail walking and driving the stream and reporting to the group various observations.

POWR Resolution – signatures were solicited from the group to sign this resolution dedicated to legislation on conservation funding. Matt Royer read the resolution for the Board.

Jay Book shared with the Board a Chester County water quantity presentation that he had seen discussing drought conditions and issues.

## **IV. Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be held at the Milton Hershey Environmental Center on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00 pm.