

**TRI-COUNTY CONEWAGO CREEK ASSOCIATION MEETING**  
**September 22, 2021**  
**TCCCA Monthly Meeting**

**AGENDA**

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

- a. Attendees: Matt Royer, Monique Dykman, Michael Sherman, Joshua Groh, Nate Straw, Ronald L Laughlin, Ralph Duquette

**II. Financial Report**

- a. Balance of \$1,572.70. Financial movements:
  - i. A couple of membership donations (2)
  - ii. Purchased & Reimbursement for Nissley/Rider shrubs.
  - iii. LCCD Tree Sale *donation*
  - iv. Cash donations & Speaking gift from Chautauqua talk.
  - v. Insurance

**III. Summer Activities Updates**

- a. Fish Survey
  - i. Once every 3-year event, organized by Penn State Ag & Environmental Center
  - ii. Worked with LCCD & SRBC to electroshock fish along 4 locations
    - 1. Upstream: Game lands up off of 241
    - 2. Midstream: Hershey Meadows Restoration Project
    - 3. Londonderry's restoration project
    - 4. Lower reach: Near the covered bridge
  - iii. Caught 30 species
  - iv. Kristen has updated Fish Survey report
- b. Wenger Buffer Maintenance
  - i. 7 volunteers out on a hot & humid night
  - ii. Schedule a second maintenance day in the Fall
- c. Chautauqua Talk
  - i. Matt Royer gave a talk in July as a part of a summer program series.
  - ii. 40 people in attendance
  - iii. Follow up: Landscape company out of Lancaster to plant a Mount Gretna property all native – how do we promote.

**IV. 319 Grant Updates**

- a. Active Grant (Nissley/Reider, Wenger, Schmidt)
  - i. Design & permit is complete for Nissley/Reider & Wenger projects.

- ii. Nissley Rider Project
  - 1. Hoping to install Spring 2021. Was delayed due to PPL & MET Ed right of ways.
    - a. Require additional Surveys. Hopefully will be done in the 2021 Fall.
    - b. Aiming for Spring 2022 construction, seeding, and planting.
      - i. 600 shrubs. Planted by contractor, but volunteers are welcome.
- iii. Wenger Project
  - 1. Small streambank restoration project on aggressive stream bends (less than an acre).
    - a. Volunteer planting
    - b. Grant dollars to purchase trees.
  - 2. Trying to correlate with Nissley Rider Property for logistics.
    - a. Also, Spring 2022
- iv. Schmidt Farm
  - 1. Improved pasture management, fencing, buffers, manure management
    - a. Need to circle up with landowner
- b. Pending Grant (Jubilee Dairy, Lookenbill, Aberdeen)
  - i. Working with Rettew
  - ii. Jubilee Dairy
    - 1. Kendra Nissley on lower end.
    - 2. Stream restoration on 1<sup>st</sup> unnamed trib north w/ enhanced buffer plantings & couple with C3RP to fund AG BMP (Off source watering & Animal stabilizations)
  - iii. Lookenbill – 18-acre property. New residential property.
    - 1. Stream restoration project
  - iv. Aberdeen Mill – addressing eroding banks at lower portion of stream and eroding stormwater conveyance.
    - 1. Aberdeen Mills just went up for auction.

**V. Lancaster Clean Water Fund Grant Update (“TCCCA Reinvigoration”)**

- a. Awarded \$5,652.
- b. Rinse and repeat from PA American Water grant.
- c. Will fund a mailer to all watershed residents & signage along BMP projects along Conewago Recreation Trail at 4 locations.

**VI. Fall Activities Planning**

- a. 10/30/21 2<sup>nd</sup> work day at Wenger Buffer – maintenance and replant.
  - i. Extra trees from John Hertzler or Millport Conservancy?
  - ii. 25-60 trees to replant??
- b. John Hertzler Fall planting??
- c. Joint fundraiser with Manada? Buffer Banter @ Sunset Bar and Grill

- i. Lebanon Valley Conservancy? New Executive Director
  - d. Lancaster Lebanon Watershed Forum
    - i. Watershed Research and Science Symposium
    - ii. November 19 & 20
    - iii. Free event
    - iv. Still working on an agenda – still accepting proposals

**VII. Other Business**

- a. Mike:
  - i. Soldiers field & Adjacent wooded area: Did maintenance on planting from the Spring. Did not get all plants requested, some trees did not make it
  - ii. Stormwater project off of Timber Road to send SW into Green Infrastructure – bids came in too expensive. Will resubmit to find lower bids.

**VIII. Next Meeting**

Wednesday, October 20 @ 7pm via Zoom