

Potomac Regional Water Resources Committee Meeting

February 19, 2010
10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Franklin County Administrative Annex
218 North Second Street
Chambersburg, PA 17201

DRAFT Meeting Summary

Committee Members in Attendance:

Charlie Bennett	Pat Naugle
Phyllis Chant	Brent Ramsey
Mike Christopher	Bot Reichart
Joe Hoffman	Bill Reichart
Don MacAskill	Ron Stanley
Bill McLaughlin	Vy Trinh

Committee Members Not in Attendance:

Mark Bream	Jeffry kloss
George Fisanich	Fran Koch
Andrew Fitz	Ricky A. Leese
Robin Fitzpatrick	Russel McLucas
Mark Guise	James Richenderfer, Ph.D., P.G.

Others in Attendance:

Dave Jostenski, DEP
Mike Hill, DEP
Heidi Moltz, ICPRB
Jim Palmer, ICPRB

Charlie Bennett opened meeting.

Officer Elections

Mike Christopher motioned that the current officers be re-elected. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously

Comments from the Public

No public in attendance. However, Charlie Bennett with input from others provided an update on the Adams County Water Resources Advisory Committee.

DEP Summary of Activities

Statewide committee update:
Dave Jostenski gave a brief update of Water Resources Technical Assistance Center and also noted upcoming meetings. Technical Sub Committee of the

Statewide Committee meeting on March 26 in room 105 of the RCSOB Harrisburg at 9:00 am and the Statewide Committee meeting at 9 am on April 28th at the PA Fish and Boat Commission Building, Harrisburg.

Discussions ensued on the subject of designation of watersheds- should they be based on technical considerations only and not funding? Pat Naugle motioned with a second by Ron Stanley that the Committee recommend CWPA designation be determined by technical merits of the watershed hydrology, irrespective of funding, for CWPA planning purposes. Motion passed in favor by all except Bob Reichart who abstained.

CWPA Nominations

Dave Jostenski provided summary of comments received on all watersheds including testimony received at public hearing and written comments coming into the Department. Dave indicated that comments were considered, but that the comments did not provide evidence to change the Department's findings that both the Marsh Creek/Rock Creek area and Alloway Creek meet the criteria for designation.

Marsh Creek/Rock Creek

Pat Naugle motioned that Rock Creek and Marsh Creek be supported for designation. Motion seconded by Bill Reichart. Motion carries with all in favor.

Alloway Creek

Some initial discussion on the merits and issues in the Alloway Creek watershed by members. Jim Palmer gave an overview of the technical work performed in its watershed verification by ICPRB.

Ron Stanley motioned recommended moving Alloway Creek to the Statewide Committee as a second priority behind Marsh Creek and Rock Creek (combined watersheds). Joe Hoffman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion ensued on funding. Joe Hoffman noted ICPRB has set aside funding about \$70,000 in staff time with Jim Palmer and Heidi Moltz to work on getting information.

A motion was made by Ron Stanley to utilize the existing Adams County WRAC as the "genesis" or pool of resources to draw from for a future CARP steering committee, known as CAAC Critical Area Advisory Committee. Seconded and motion passed with no opposition.

Mike Christopher motioned to adjourn with Phyllis Chant second.