



South Fayette Conservation Group

Minutes Meeting of May 10, 2007 South Fayette Shop-n-Save 7:00 p.m.

- I. **Call to Order – by President Dave Boehmer at 7:10p.m.**
- II. **Opening Remarks – Dave Boehmer**
General welcome. In attendance were Dave Boehmer, Bob Milacci, Amy Smith, Cindy Cox, Nick Jarina, Bernadette Kazmarski, Dave Myron, Rich Goodwill and Nicole Schutt.
- III. **Minutes – Amy Smith**
Approval of the previous minutes from both January and March. Motioned by Nick and seconded by Cindy.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report – Dave Myron**
 - A.) Current Checking Balance (as of May 9, 2007) \$3,911.11
Total Income for March \$970.00. Total Expenses \$0.
Total Income for April \$23,947.50. Total Expenses \$3,943.59.
Total Income as of May 9th \$15.00. Total Expenses \$20,357.50.
 - B.) Beran Escrow Account Balance for March \$11,074.72.
Only activity, interest income of \$4.90. No expenses.
Beran Escrow Account Balance for April \$11,079.15.
Only activity interest income of \$4.43. No expenses
Beran Escrow Account Balance as of May 9th \$11,079.15.
No activity, no expenses.
 - C.) Resolutions and signature cards were signed by Dave Boehmer, Nick Jarina, Dave Myron and Amy Smith. All four officers now have check signing capability. Two signatures are still required for all checks.
 - D.) Expenses to be approved:
GAI – Fishing Run \$20,050.00; Hamm – Fishing Run \$125.00;
Kazmarski – Wetland signage and postcards \$202.50
 - E.) Approval of Treasurer's Report and expenses motioned by Cindy and seconded by Nick.
- V. **Unfinished Business**
 - A.) **Wetland Trail Update -** Approximately 100 people attended the grand opening. Amphitheater design and costs were discussed as well as whom

could help with the construction. Dave B. will send out an email to the entire membership soliciting design options. It is hoped that the Amphitheater will be constructed in time for the beginning of the next school year. Bernadette is still working on the signage of the trail map. She will adjust the maps to reflect final trail and stream placement before the signs are created. Cindy will head the committee to create the final interpretive signage that will reflect the hydrology, insects and wildlife. Cindy will also contact Dominion with our grant request revisions. In the future, something in the wetland area will be named after the "Boch" family. Thank you letters will be sent to special attendees and participants of the wetland celebration. Amy will create the letters, Dave will sign and Cindy will compile a list of addresses.

- B.) **Fishing Run** – The Fishing Run stream was diverted to it's new location on May 1st. The Maude Mine portal was sealed on May 2nd. During the sealing process, a new portal was located. This portal discharges approximately 800 gallons of water per minute. The Bureau of Mine Reclamation ordered that the new discharge be diverted into Fishing Run. Therefore, the new location of Fishing Run is impacted by iron. This discharge is not too contaminated and may be able to be treated up stream. This will be determined in the future. The Gladden discharge weir measurements show a decrease of 700 to 800 gallons per minute for now, but this may change in the future as well. GAI has put together the grant for tree planting along Fishing Run and submitted it to the Conservation District. Hopefully, a grant for \$5000.00 will be awarded.
- C.) **Newbury, Presto-Sygan Discharge** – Stream Restoration will be applying this year for money from Growing Greener to treat the discharge.
- D.) **Little Lions Academy** – 8 kids have signed up so far. Dave Pope and Cindy Cox will be the presenters. This year's topic is the Wonderful World of Wetland Science.
- E.) **Bridgeville Community Day** – Cindy, Dave Myron and Nick will attend the event. SFCG may partner with the REEC to have booths next to each other to aide in the coverage of both booths. Dave B. will research the cost of a new tent for our display.

VI. **New Business**

- A.) **Montour Trail Function Junction and Chartiers Celebration Day** – Dave B. will send out an email looking for volunteers to man the tent and display board. Cindy will coordinate.
- B.) **New Projects** – There are no new projects to discuss at this time.

VII. **Comments/Suggestions**

- A.) **Great PA Clean Up Day** – Over 15 people from the SFCG membership participated in litter removal.
- B.) **POWR Insurance** – New policy has arrived effective from April 14, 2007 until April 14, 2008. Coverage is for one million dollars.

VIII. **Adjournment** - Meeting was adjourned at 8:30p.m. motioned by Dave Myron and seconded by Cindy Cox.