EPCAMR 2022 2nd Quarter Board Meeting
Minutes – May 19th
EPCAMR Office / EC Conference Room

11:00AM
Info. Portion

Discussion and Correspondence
- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) aka. Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding; No Guidance yet, but OSMRE website FAQ. EPCAMR should be the first to know about AMLER because we had an application.
- STREAM Act (S. 3957) & (HR 7283): Both Bipartisan bills to use Infrastructure funds for AMD Set-Aside long-term treatment O & M June 9th @ 9am House Natural Resources Committee Energy Subcommittee.
- PA Senate Bill 1038 (Stefano): Directing Water Civil Penalties Related to Coal Mining to the O&M Trust Account & add ARIPPA to MRAB HB 668 passed the state house but moves on to the PA senate next
- PA House Resolution 200 (Kaufer): Joint State Government Commission (JSGC) to conduct a Geothermal on AML Feasibility Study
- PA Senate Resolution 229 (Dush): JSGC Critical Mineral Impact Study
- OSMRE’s FY23 Budget to include increase in AMLER funding ($115M)
- Knouse Foods-Adams Co. Apple Orchard has hydrated lime bricks… Christine had done an “AMD treatment system” for them on a iron rich seep as a result of them watering their orchard. Contact Earth Conservancy for the Loomis Seep? Or Redbrook on Mehoopany Creek or Hightower Run on Bowmans Creek. How quick does it dissolve? How much per year? Regular supply for PTS?
- “Correlation between Impaired Waterways and Income Level”-Wyoming Seminary student Kathy Lin

Robert

11:30AM
Begin Business Portion of Meeting

Call to Order Business Meeting: (Sign In Sheet)

Minutes from Last Mgt. (February 17th): File for Audit christine, gabby

President

Treasurer’s Report
- See Balance Sheet, Open Sales Orders, Jobs List and Grant Prospects
- File for Audit: Checking & PA Invest Account Balances (Cheryl, Joe)

Secretary

Treasurer

12:30PM
Lunch
1:15PM

AMR Program Reports (3 minutes each; PowerPoint Presentation)
Reach out to Dan Meuser (R) to bring on bipartisan cosponsors. What about sites that aren’t “perfect” don’t have substation for example. Ex. site in Ashland. Contact the right developer.
ISI and Forever Wild funded Brooky Video is complete and curriculum sent to 5th grade schools on Monday. Waiting on release toll we get data back on curriculum.
Schuylkill River Orange but can catch brook and Brown trout. Talking about the food web, other than the macros (frogs, minnows).
Look at Southern Field maps for gaps in mosaic. Can get Yorkown and another one Ed can get. Also dropped off some Preston #3 maps. Look in safe for additional Keystone Anthracite Gerard Estates maps.

Staff

Committee Reports (a Zoom Pro link can be setup for committee meetings)
- Strategic Planning: Approval of Strategic Plan Updates 2020-2025 (Ed, Cheryl)

Respective Comm. Chairs

Old Business
- Motion to work with Tetra Tech on resubmission of our AMLER Rare Earth Elements grant Motion to (Ed, gabby, all)

President
New Business

- **Motion to approve committee decision(s)**
- **Discussion on a Need for Regional Operation, Maintenance & Replacement Coordinators using Infrastructure funding. Somerset County, Len Lichvar. Suggested. Schuylkill and SHA does this for their systems.**
- **Motion to approve 2022 ARIPPA Mini-Grant Award in the amount of $4300 to Shamokin Creek Restoration Alliance (SCRA) (Ed, gabby, all…Cristy abstains)***
- **Motion to approve BlueWave LLC NDA Confidentiality Agreement (Cristy, Christine and all)**
- **Motion to adjourn business portion of the meeting (Cristy, Gabby, all)**

Next Meeting: *Tentatively August 19th, 2022 11:00AM*

Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops

- Environmental Justice Advisory Board Meeting-May 19th 9-4
- Blossburg Coal Festival-May 28th in Blossburg, PA
- **Susquehanna Greenway's Outdoor Expo**-June 4th @ Shikellamy SP
- **American Society of Reclamation Sciences Meeting** June 12-16 in Duluth
- **ARIPPA Annual Conference**-June 14-15 @ Crowne Plaza Harrisburg Hershey Hotel
- **PA's Annual Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference** June 22 & 23 @ Ramada Inn, State College
- PA DEP [2022 Growing Greener Plus](#) and [FY2023 Section 319](#) Grants Due on June 24, 2022 (EPCAMR CD Mining East Program Application)
- Columbia Co. Watershed Festival-July 30 10-4 @ Cara Park in Catawissa

Watershed Reports

All