

Minutes
Blue Ridge Watershed Coalition
Blue Ridge Fire Hall, Keys Gap Rd
February 2, 2012, 7pm

Attendees: Carlen Emanuel, Mark Shields, Alana Hartman, John Maxey, Stephen Skinner, Set Rivard, Elliot Simon, Willis Nowell, Ed Burns, Carl Drumgoole, Ryan Streeter, Ronda Lehman, Richard Tryon

Call to order: 7:08 pm by Ronda

Introduce board to audience if needed; Steve Skinner, running for office of delegate Jefferson County

Approval of minutes from previous meeting: tabled, minutes incomplete

Ongoing business:

- **501c3 status:** received terminated LLC, and filed copy for non-profit from WV; waiting on IRS approval
- **Financial report from Carlen:** \$80 cash on hand in Harper's Ferry ATC office
- **Website update, Ryan, Carl:** on hold for 501 (c) (3) status
- **(JM)- report on cost of peak flow water monitoring for Governor's Community participation grant:** WVU has 5 monitor devices; used primarily in coal field area? How much to purchase?
- **Stream Partners:** Alana presented group with approved grant and check. Photo taken.
- **John/Carl- cost of water monitoring/ JCC request review :** talked with Karen Anderson. Shenandoah University prices for analysis: \$55/water sample includes ecoli, 2 training sessions, \$750 and loan equipment. Welcome to use BRWC data on Shenandoah website.
- **Ed- info from company gathering samples at NIH:** tabled

- **Ronda's meeting with LW 2/1 to discuss CC request, needs upcoming year:** talked with Lyn by telephone. Use WV Save Our Streams training; includes chemical physical, biological monitoring. See Glenn.R.Nelson@wv.gov. Do a presentation to county commission that combines SOs and Friends of Shenandoah; to do at last county commission meeting in February; get on agenda the week before; Carl, John, Ronda
- **(WN, MS) report on 1/23 WAC meeting:** discussed Dr. Vila's reporting or lack of it; WAC can coordinate watershed groups, March 31 at Morgan's Grove park to get recognition; look at Rocky Marsh Run website.
- **Carl's update on organization of Mission Rd project. What does he need from group?** Goals are developed, waiting on tank paperwork, PR opportunity; Ronda check with quarry re: rocks
- **Did Morgan or someone, do a proposal for Community Center meeting with a proposal concerning project?** Done completed
- **Ed- cost of printing of project cards for public?** Toner replacement by BRWC
- **Additional funding needed to for yard signs to promote residents adopting our ideas.**
- **Grant Committee meeting update:** Carlen presented grants tracking Excel file

New Business:

- **Contact made by Lisa Cullinane** President of the Harpers Ferry River Fest, referred to me by Chuck Davis concerning foamy white water in drainage stream from quarry running into Shenandoah 1/30/12- pics taken. Sample taken via Matt Knott is on ice at River Riders, she was contacting Karen Anderson at Shen. Univ. wants to come to meetings

How would the group like to handle reports like this in the future? As our name makes the rounds this going to happen more. Contact Mike Kanehl, the inspector

- **WV Watershed Management Symposium at West Virginia State University June 1-2, 2012.** Carl, Ryan, and Richard have expressed interest

in going. Can we help with funds for the trip somehow, even if it's from donations from our group? Do we need to consider a "wine and cheese" fundraiser to start to raise some funds for the incidentals we are going to incur as we go forward? \$25 registration fee/room and board/fuel

Next meeting : Saturday, March 10, 2012, Mountain Mission Center, 10 am

Adjourn: motion by mark, second by Willis, Unanimous decision.