## Minutes CCWPA Annual Meeting September 26, 2019 Dauphin County Agricultural & Natural Resources Center

- 1. The meeting was held "al fresco" in the picnic area of the Center. The Call to Order at 6:55 pm was made by Paula Zankel. Present were Paula Zankel, Mike Blum, John Mimnall, Arlene Taylor, Karen Stilp, Mike Mehrazar, Melanie Mimnall. Mary Hochendoner and Natalie Manchoror. A guorum was attained.
- 2. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Paula Zankel led a discussion of events and accomplishments of CCWPA in the past year. Among these were the very success Creek Walk in June; two trash-collection sessions on our 2-mile stretch of Rte. 325; and participation in important Dauphin County committee work, including the Detweiler Park project and the Crisis Prevention Protocols.
- 3. It was generally agreed that new and additional PROGRAM IDEAS were needed for 2020.
- 4. Since Sherry McLain was not present, there was no Treasurer's Report... it was noted that Mary Hochendoner dropped off her check for a membership renewal. According to Karen Stilp, we have 29 paid-up current member.
- 5. Mike Blum reported on the web site, Facebook page and the spring Adopt-a-Highway trash pickup, and invited all to the upcoming Fall 2019 Great American Clean-up of PA event trash pickup on October 19, 2019.

## 6. New Business:

- a. Natalie Manchoror reported a sewage issue related to a bad septic system above the creek near Rte. 224. Paula Zankel will investigate and help.
- b. Mike Mehrazar introduced Penn Future (pennfuture.org), a state-wide environmental advocacy non-governmental agency; an affiliate of the National Wildlife Association. Its outreach includes contacting organizations like CCWPA (therefore why Mike Mehrazar attended the Annual Meeting) to talk to other environmental groups and try to find people passionate about advocacy. Penn Future also meets with legislators and is putting a meeting together soon with Sue Helm, the delegate representing the Clarks Creek Watershed area. The consensus of the group was that CCWPA members would like to attend.
- c. Paula Zankel reported on the Detweiler Park Master Plan -- Step 1 was to approve the expense of a \$150,000 18-month master plan. Next is to choose the company to create the plan.
- d. Mike Blum mentioned that the City of Harrisburg is taking actions about Capital Region Water -- perhaps to replace it? Mike Mehrazar reports that CRW is accepting comments about its Storm Water Fees, and that this is the cause of a rift between CRW and the City of Harrisburg. Evidently \$315,000 is needed, and although Penn Future supports that, Mayor Papenfoos does not, and he is interviewing companies possibly interested in taking over sewage overflow control and Storm Water control. It was noted that Andrew Bliss is no longer with CRW, band that Tanya Dierolf has been promoted. There are no more Source Water Protection meetings, that Paula Zankel attended; Paula will contact Tanya to see what is going on and to make sure we can continue to be involved.
- 7. Election of Directors: John Mimnall, Sherry McLain and Paula Zankel were elected to 2-year terms, to join Mike Blum, Arlene Taylor and Brett Zankel on the Board of Directors. The next Board Meeting will be on Saturday, October 19, 2019, following the Trash Pickup.
- 8. Adjournment was at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Blum, Secretary, 11/18/2019