

## West Branch Susquehanna Restoration Coalition Meeting Report Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Opening

This meeting of the West Branch Susquehanna Restoration Coalition was called to order at 6:30 pm by Rachel Kester. The meeting was held at the Clearfield County Conservation District office.

Present

The meeting was attended by: Rachel Kester, Kelly Williams, Ken Undercoffer, Art Rose, Delores Rose, Terry O'Connor, Joyce McKay, Mick McKay.

## Information and Discussion Items

Item 1: Introductions: Those present introduced themselves and stated the group(s) they represent.

- Item 2: The minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting were distributed and reviewed. There were no additions or corrections.
- Item 3: Rachel Kester, Trout Unlimited, provided an AMD funding and policy update. There is still no word on when the next round of Growing Greener grants may open. The Growing Greener Coalition is still working to build support for and fund a GGIII program. The RECLAIM Act is still being considered in Congress, but there is concern from TU and other partners that, as written, it could take funding away from on-the-ground projects to address priority health and safety hazards and direct it towards other types of projects. Federal Good Samaritan legislation is still moving forward. TU's CEO, Chris Wood, is testifying March 14<sup>th</sup> in support of Good Sam. Those who want to show support can go to <a href="www.standup.tu.org">www.standup.tu.org</a> to learn more and find information about how to contact their local legislators.
- Item 4: Rachel Kester provided the group with information regarding upcoming grant opportunities: AMD Technical Assistance Grants are always available and can be found along with other grant opportunities at <a href="http://www.wbsrc.org/tag.html">http://www.wbsrc.org/tag.html</a>.
- Item 5: Watershed updates were provided by those present on behalf of the organization(s) that they represent.

The next meeting will be held on June 12, 2018 in Clinton County.