

Steering Committee Regular Meeting December 30, 2002

Present: Georgette Ferdun, Jay Holland , Shirley Kalkhoven, David Godsey, Maggie Peyton

Meeting convened at 4:00PM

Georgette distributed the list of project priorities from Action Plan voting. SC discussed potential use of Technical Assistance grant funds-e.g. Siler/Weisel, Johnson, others. Georgette asked about tech assistance for potential projects from the Habitat Assessment. Dave and Maggie said most are on state forest land. Dave discussed the hatchery handicapped trail project and gave some approximate figures for display art work and trail construction. SC discussed staff role in the creation of display graphics and possible ways council members could assist in making the match, e.g. donations of labor and materials, clean-up and re-planting after the trail is built. Steering Committee deferred decision of role of Watershed Planner in the development of graphics until later date.

Treasurer's Report: Paid premium for the Council liability policy- added non-owned auto liability coverage for staff and others. Policy renewed \$540/yr. Shirley believes policy will not go up significantly with Maggie coming onto the LNWC payroll. Final draw of \$575 on Technical Assistance I. Todd's initial draw for Habitat Assessment II (#203-004) received. He has obtained Workers Comp from same firm as last year. Shirley also reports that the Council is keeping costs in-line on the Coordinator grant.

Secretary's Report: Members that have not attended last 3 meetings and are inactive include: Beach, Braasch, Felley, Erikson, Rippey, Marshall, Teagle, Collin. Discussion of a letter to each to issue notice of inactive status except for Charles who was replaced by Don Cameron. Any can reinstate by applying, in writing, for reinstatement. Action Plan hopefully will be copied for January meeting with old information moving to an appendix and adding contributors to content.

Slate of Officers for Annual Meeting: Steering Committee discussed positions and agrees that a balance of interests is the preferred ideal. Jay agreed to be submitted as chair. Discussions continue with candidates for Vice Chair and Secretary. Georgette agreed to take one of the two offices. Shirley agreed to stand for treasurer. Vivi Tallman is interested in being a member-at-large. SC will ask for another member at-large nomination from the floor.

Council self-evaluation postponed to February when Beth Lambert may be available. Macro invertebrate study results planned for January if the presenter is available. Doug Ray asked to be on the program to provide status on the N. Fork project and confer with the membership on a volunteer planting effort.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30

Submitted by Dave Godsey and Georgette Ferdun