

Whitewater River Watershed Steering Committee Meeting

Minutes of May 3, 2018



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Attendees: Heather Wirth, Jon Seymour, Helen Kremer, and John Kruse

The meeting began at 10:30 am at the Harrison Library in Harrison, OH. After Heather Wirth, Watershed Coordinator, called the meeting to order, the attendees were asked to review the previous meeting minutes. No corrections were made.

Cost-share Applications Review

The committee reviewed cost-share applications. The committee voted to move forward with 3 more applications. One application is in the high priority area and wanting to install a HUAP, watering system, fencing, and resolve some erosion problems. The other 2 are in medium priority areas and wanting to install concrete HUAPs, drainage, and animal walkway. A total of \$128,000 of the original \$200,000 will now be allocated.

Cost-share Program Promotion

The committee discussed ways to help promote the cost-share program even more. Some suggestions were to write articles for the local newspapers and Franklin County Observer and interview current participants and publicize their views of the program.

Education and Outreach

River Sweep Clean-up will be held on June 16th from 1pm to 2:30pm along the Whitewater River and Barber Road in West Harrison, IN. The committee also discuss holding a grazing field day at one of the cost-share participant's farm later this year if possible. It will help promote good practices and also promote the cost-share program.

Next Meeting Date/Time

The next meeting will be scheduled at a later date depending on number of new cost-share applications received.

With no further business or concerns, the meeting was adjourned.

Heather Wirth

Heather Wirth, Watershed Coordinator