

## Robinson Run - Chartier's Watershed Municipal Alliance Meeting Minutes

**Date/Time:** April 17, 2018  
**Location:** McDonald Borough 1:00 pm

**Attendees:** Johnna Zona (North Fayette Township)  
Rebecca Zeyzus (Allegheny Watershed Alliance)  
Amy Miller (Allegheny County Conservation District)  
Emily West (Allegheny County Conservation District)  
Marilou Ritchie (McDonald Borough)  
Elmo Cecchetti (McDonald Borough Council)  
Bill Hartman (Oakdale Borough)



### Topics Discussed

- **Army Corps of Engineers**
  - The group would like to ask Mike Deebes and Andrea Carson to attend the Watershed Day party to discuss the activities that the Corps are doing in the watershed.
  
- **Mini Watershed Grant Tree Planting in North Fayette Township**
  - **April 28<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm at North Fayette Township Building**
    - 400 North Branch Road, Oakdale PA 15071
  - We are meeting at 8 am to place the trees where they will be planted and set up
  - **Please bring any shovels and post hole diggers you may have**
  
- **State of the Watershed Day:**
  - **May 23<sup>th</sup> 2018 Oakdale Community Center 6:00-8:00pm.**
    - 104 seminary Ave, Oakdale, PA 15071
  - Allegheny County Watershed Alliance is providing those participating with an advertising package. The participation will include a small fee to cover food costs for the event. We are also providing a letter to send to local businesses to see if they would like to donate something to raffle off. This will help gain public interest. For example, North Fayette will reach out to a local winery to see if they will donate a bottle of wine, or a free bathe for a dog from a groomer etc.
  - Johnna is going to check with someone from Findlay Township to see if they have any rain barrels left to possibly give away as a door prize. We also discussed purchasing a red bud tree to give away. They are not expensive, but still a nice gift.
  - Marilou is going to reach out to different vendors/stores about pricing some sandwiches for the party. We are expecting around 30-45 people. Marilou is also providing her delicious home-made cookies!

- AWA is finalizing the flyer and information to give to the municipalities to start advertising.
- Speakers for the event:
  - Matt Gordon – ACCD about dredging
  - Alysha Trexler – Western PA Conservancy about riparian buffers
  - Rebecca – what homeowners can do on their property to help
  - Possible Mike Deeks and/or Andrea Carson from USACE about projects
  - Rep from each municipality about what they are doing to help with water quality
- **Next meeting:**
  - Have a list of outreach goals for the group. This includes how we want to reach out to the community.
  - **Please provide Amy or Rebecca your PRP so they can incorporate your proposed projects into their program that they discussed.**
  - The next meeting is scheduled for **May 14th at 1:00 pm at Oakdale Borough Community Center.**
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