

## January 12, 2015 MARC Minutes

### Attendees:

John Beam  
Frank Dombroski  
Tyler Dombroski  
Bill Hause  
Mike Mills  
Bob Stoudt  
Dave Walker  
Joe Ward  
Jerry Ward

### Public:

Will Carswell  
Jenn Kline  
Dan Knorr  
Gavin Noble  
Kathy Pride

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Mike Mills.

### Board Reorganization– Mike Mills:

Motion made by Jerry Ward to keep all of the 2015 positions the same; seconded by Bill Hause; approved unanimously.

### Welcome to Assistant Director – Mike Mills:

Mike Mills introduced John Beam to the Board and public.

### President's/Treasurer's Report – Mike Mills:

Mike provided a copy of the Treasurer's Report. Mike noted that there are some minor issues regarding some race funds that need to be allocated.

Mike also reviewed the accounts receivable for 2015 that have already been received by MARC.

Motion made by Jerry Ward to accept the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Bill Hause; approved unanimously.

### Secretary's Report – Tyler Dombroski:

Tyler provided an overview of the previous month's minutes.

Motion made by Frank Dombroski to accept the minutes; seconded by Joe Ward; approved unanimously.

### Partner Reports:

Washingtonville – Frank mentioned that DeLong Memorial has been used recently by MARC for various meeting. Frank stated that Borough will continue to let MARC use the building at no cost as a contribution.

Tyler also discussed a community gardening initiative the Borough is looking at undertaking to “green up” the community. Bob noted that he has contacted the Western Pennsylvania Conservatory about this project for their assistance. Bob has been a member of this group since 1998. Bob has stated that he is willing to assist the Borough with coordinating volunteers. Jerry Ward suggested contacted the Montour

County Master Gardeners. Bill Hause also mentioned that the greenhouses outside of Washingtonville might be willing to make an in-kind donation.

Danville – Bill Hause reported that use of the Danville Borough Municipal Building was approved for 2015.

Bill also reported that Jeff Brant, the Danville Track Coach, had inquired whether MARC would grant the team permission to cross a portion of trail marked no trespassing. It is okay on MARC's end but does need approval from the Borough of Danville.

Dan also made a report to commission about Borough projects.

- Dan discussed work to take place at the war monuments in the center of the Borough.
- He also mentioned that in 2016, the Borough expects to upgrade the bathroom facilities at F.Q. Hartman. Dan discussed the possibility of eventually hiring someone to clean the bathrooms at both F.Q. Hartman and Hess Field.
- Dan also discussed creating a Master Site Plan at the old Doc's Building. This space could eventually be used as a community garden area.
- Dan discussed that Bob has assisted the Borough with the potential creation of a Naval Memorial at the Riverfront Park.
- Dan also discussed making park facilities smoke free and the potential of policing.

Riverside – No report; no elected representatives present.

Montour County – Jerry Ward noted that with the amount of projects that with the amount of projects being undertaken by MARC, he does not want the NBCT to be forgotten about.

Danville Area School District – No report; no representatives present.

Public Comment:

No public comments were made.

Assistant Director's Report – John Beam:

John introduced himself to the board and discussed his previous maple sugaring experience. A final approval from PPL needs to be given for this program. John will do a press release and coordinate with schools at the appropriate time.

Bob stated that MARC has about \$5,500 of funds to conduct this program. This is about a minimum amount that MARC can have and still operate this program. Bob noted that there was a significant enough amount of volunteers at their recent meeting.

Expense/Director's Report – Bob Stoudt:

Director's Report provided as part of the agenda packet. This report cover the entire 2014 calendar year. Bob noted that MARC made \$3,484.

Bob noted that due to the large amount of RTRS expenses, the event manager position was eliminated. Duties of this position will be transferred to both the Director and Assistant Director positions.

Bob also discussed the various grant funding allocations MARC has received.

The Boy Scouts also created a fire pit at Hess Field.

Elijah Evans Excavating has also put in bolder barriers by the Mahoning Creek foot bridge to keep vehicle traffic from traveling on the bridge.

No recent work has been conducted on the NBCT but a workday will be taking place soon. A public meeting will also be taking place to update the community on its progress and meet a Susquehanna

Greenway requirement. Wes Fahringer will be meet with Bob about potential DCNR grant funding to pay for some of the trail's bridges.

A draft RTRS schedule was provided.

The Summer Concert Series has officially been transferred to the Danville Arts Council.

Expense report provided as part of the agenda packet. Motion made by Joe Ward to approve these bills; seconded by Frank Dombroski; approved unanimously.

Old Business:

No old business was discussed at the meeting.

New Business:

No new business was discussed at the meeting.

Adjournment:

Frank Dombroski made a motion to adjourn at 8:12 pm; seconded by Dave Walker; carried unanimously.