



Topics Discussed

- Reviewed flooding and flood pictures of Hicks Creek
- LCD provided forms for NRCS Emergency Grant Funding

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Points for Next Mtg

- Presentation by Steve Bartos of DEP about cleanup program
- Review flood damage information
- Flood Damage Survey
- Hicks Creek Maintenance tractor
- HCWA President Dave Rusky resigns
- Elect new HCWA President
- Sign Incorporation Papers

TOPICS DISCUSSED AT HICKS CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION MEETING

Hicks Creek Watershed Association (HCWA) reviewed flooding photographs taken on June 28. Residents discussed flooding problems experienced.

HCWA has developed a residential flood damage survey. A copy has been included with this newsletter. If you had flood damage please complete and drop off at the mailbox to the right of the Exeter Borough Building's front door, 1101 Wyoming Avenue, Exeter. Volunteers are needed to go door to door to speak to neighbors and deliver the survey. Call 654-0933 if you can help on the street you live.

HCWA compiled a summary of the 2006 flooding and labeled digital photographs for Exeter Borough officials to use as evidence of a need for the proper pumping capability. A historical time line will be developed and given to each official of all activities dealing with Hicks Creek flooding.

Luzerne County Conservation District provided forms for the US Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Grant Agreement. Exeter Borough was awarded an emergency grant to place large riprap along the banks of 999 Schooley Avenue, a house in danger of collapsing into the creek. Work is completed.

Steve Bartos, a representative of DEP will give a presentation about cleanups and will give HCWA assistance with a cleanup planned for October.

Aaron Szwast is organizing a cleanup in Hicks Creek for early October. He will be sending information to HCWA members soon.

Exeter Borough will be receiving delivery of the twin track vehicles purchased through the \$65,000 DEP Growing Greener Flood Protection Grant. Exeter Borough is paying the additional costs. This machine is

imperative to keep the creek maintained. It has the ability to travel through the mud in the creek bed and the banks. It will mow the grass in the channel.

Hicks Creek inspection has been postponed due to the flooding.

Dave Rusky has submitted a letter of resignation as the President of Hicks Creek Watershed Association. He thanks you for the honor to have served HCWA and work with some energetic individuals improving the environment. Dave will stay on to assist with GIS mapping services.

Nominations and election of a new president will take place at the next meeting.

Letters of Incorporation will be signed.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, AUGUST 14 AT 7PM
EXETER BOROUGH BUILDING, 1101 WYOMING AVENUE