Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

Remote Meeting

Agricultural & Rural Communities Outreach Team
Meeting Notes

May 20, 2021, 10:00 am

Members Present
Larry Antosch, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation
Brian Brandt, American Farmland Trust
Chair Jessica D’Ambrosio, The Nature Conservancy
Laura Fay, Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed

Scott Stephens, Delaware Soil & Water Conservation District
Aaron Wilson, OSU Byrd Polar & Climate Research Center
Kyle Wilson, Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District

MORPC Staff Present
Anna Oestreich
Edwina Teye
Shari Saunders
Brooke White

Meeting Called to Order at 10:01 am

Approval of March 18, 2021, Meeting Minutes
Member Brandt moved to approve minutes from the March 18, 2021, meeting, Member Wilson seconded to motion; motion carried.

Overview of Climate Adaptation Course & Climate Vulnerabilities for Scioto River Basin – Dr. Aaron Wilson, OSU
Olentangy Greenspace Enhancements, Considering Climate Change – Laura Fay, FLOW
Click here for the presentations.

Social Science Key Informant Survey Update
Chair D’Ambrosio provided a recap of the social science survey being embarked on by the Working Team which is based on the premise of improving outreach, communication, and education to and between both upstream and downstream partners around the topic of climate change, water quality and land use.

The format of the survey deployment will include an initial pre-survey questionnaire that will be sent out to the District County Supervisors. Follow-up interviews will be held after analysis has been completed of the pre-survey questionnaire. The intent is to give respondents a month turnaround to return their filled-out questionnaire and another month to conduct the interviews.

Adjourned at 11:30 am.