## Shawneeland Sanitary District Advisory Committee Minutes of November 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

Those in attendance were Lynn Schmitt, Michelle Landon, Jeff Stevens, Barry Vanmeter, Gary Lofton, Kevin Alderman, Michelle Springer, and 12 people in the audience. Marianne Biviano was absent.

Lynn called for approval or corrections to the August 1, 2016 meeting minutes. Jeff made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Barry seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Lynn set the 2017 quarterly meeting dates for February 6, May 1, August 7, and November 6.

Manager's Report: Kevin gave the manager's report. In August the staff prepared all of the scheduled trails that would receive the tar & chip treatment. The tar & chip contractor moved in on the evening of August 31th and finished on September 14<sup>th</sup>. We covered a total of 80,496 sq. yds. (9.41 miles). The swimming season went very well this year. The water tested clean each week during the summer season. The staff has done a great deal of grader patching this summer. We completed the fall patching last week and will start back up in the spring. The staff has serviced every piece of equipment. They have made all the necessary repairs to the equipment. On October 27<sup>th</sup> we closed Cochise Trail at the intersection of Maple. We did put out 30 day notice posters and contacted the County Emergency Operations about the closure so all appropriate personnel could be notified. The fall round of cutting of the trails will be completed by the end of the month. All of the snow equipment, chemicals, and parts are ready for snow removal. The staff will be cutting trees over the next 4 months as well as brush and upgrading ditches at various locations including Wolf Springs. Shawneeland will now have a no parking policy. This was written up by the new assistant county attorney. We have ordered no parking signs, once they come in and we post them then we will put out a 30 day notice so the residents can get used to the idea. After the 30 days we will start to enforce the policy. The parking lots can still be utilized for emergency parking.

New Business: The SSDAC had no new business to discuss.

**Public Forum:** Ruth spoke about the Clowser House. She presented a packet to the SSDAC that was also given to the Public Works Committee. We are planning on a public meeting for the residents of Shawneeland so we can inform them of what's going on. Someone asked her if the Sanitary District fees were going to go up. Lynn said they have not had the budget meeting yet. It would be this week. Ruth also asked if the SSDAC could do like the county does and post the pending minutes with the agenda for the upcoming quarterly meeting. Barry asked Ruth for a briefing of the packet that she handed out. The packet is what they came up with the house is in the dam inundation zone. So if the dam would breach there would be 1.83ft. of water in the house. Based on that information we had to come up with what we could do with the Clowser house, the house could only be used for storage, viewed from the outside, people can go in the house to work on it or retrieve items that are stored. We then thought that we

have this historical house that we could do the ground level according to period and put a rope across the door way that people could look inside. What we want is to have bathrooms for Shawneeland, a log cabin like structure that could be used as a meeting house or community center, and it would be an amenity for Shawneeland. While doing research there is a little wooded area to the back right of the house, apparently there was a log home there that the Clowser's lived in while they were building the white house. We thought if the ground will perk and we could get it then we could put the log cabin in the same location. Ruth wanted to make it very clear that none of this is coming out of Shawneeland funds. It will all be raised by the committee or the Clowser Foundation. Shawneeland will not be losing anything. This is all stuff that will be used by the residents of Shawneeland. It will just be with a different owner. What the county wants and what the foundation wants would be all worked into the deed. Marsh & Legge will do the perk test. Then we will come up with 3 plans. If it doesn't perk then it will be a whole different scenario.

A resident asked that she saw posted at the maillhouse that Shawneeland has abandoned the old mailhouse. The way it was read is that there would no longer be any trash removal, no picking up anything. She was curious as to if people go out of their way even as community to fix up something that Shawneeland decided not do then why if Shawneeland owns it are we abandoning it and saying no that we aren't even going to pick up the trash. It is very concerning as a resident. If the statement is true, then I would like to see a vote because this is craziness that we are selectively going to take care of things. The committee did not post that and only knows that it was said that when it came to the upkeep of the old mailhouse Shawneeland would not be responsible. It is still an amenity of Shawneeland. Another resident said that it is an eyesore when you come into the entrance of Shawneeland. Lynn said she would go back through the meeting notes but she wants to say that in a couple of the meetings that it was stated that the subcommittee would be responsible for the upkeep of the old mailhouse. If this is going to be the case then why not deed over the property that the community is trying to fix up. It is community effort. A resident asked Gary Lofton for his input. He said that he would have to check into it. Could it be resolved with the fact that it would fall under ground & maintenance within the budget? Is there any way that when we walk out of this meeting today that this could be resolved? Kevin was asked if he or the workers were told not to do any maintenance at the old mailhouse. He responded with absolutely not but what he does recall (he doesn't know if there is anything in writing) is a verbal agreement that when the structure was done the maintenance crew would not do any maintenance there whatsoever. It is no longer a functional building in Shawneeland. We maintain functional buildings in Shawneeland. That structure was supposed to be torn down once the new mailhouse was complete. It was stated that the water wheel house is not a functional building. Kevin responded with that is used for a storage building for signs and extra wood. The committee will go through the notes. The residents think if it was an agreement that it should be revisited because it was a bad decision. It will be tabled till the SSDAC has time to see what was agreed upon. The crew will remove the items from the old mailhouse this week.

At the last meeting we talked about fixing the stone walls. We discussed it and we would have to hire a stone mason because the crew is not equipped to do the repairs. They are very expensive. Is it based upon figures? No we have not gotten any quotes individually. Ruth knows someone that lives in

shawneeland, they would do it just for the price of materials and minimum wage. Would he be willing to write up an estimate for the cost of the repairs, for us to have kind of an idea?

Is there going to be any repairs to the Shawneeland sign? We will have to get permission from Mr. Rosenberger. There have also been posts put down there. The posts do not block the Shawneeland sign coming from either direction of Back Mountain Road.

Is there going to be a newsletter? It has been covered quite a few times and there has never been an issue of bringing up a newsletter. It was asked what it is going to take to make the newsletter happen. How much time do you put into your newsletter? For just getting the news out maybe 3 hours. The minutes after they are approved are posted on the County webpage. Barry said there is less objection to doing something digitally. Cost aside I don't think mailings are effective, that is just his opinion. The secretary could keep a list of residents who want to give their email address. We would know they would be kept confidential. Barry asked if Ruth could get more information and he will look into it.

Patty spoke about pollinators. It was a success. She asked if we still have inmates come out to weed-eat. Hopefully we will do it again next year, with just a couple changes. Is it possible to get the inmates to clean up the trash around Swan Lake when we do the initial mowing? You could really see the trash left by fisherman. There is trash in Swan Lake. Could we send our maintenance guys in before winter and get the visible trash out of Swan Lake? Was there any feedback about the pollinator plat? No there was not any negative feedback. A resident named Lori had talked to a newspaper about it going on. With binoculars you could see the pollen. The top of Tom Tom was a major success. If you increase the pollinators, you will increase the birds. Looking forward to doing it again in the coming year.

Ruth said the Clowser Committee is selling pictures of the Clowser House for \$30.

Ariel spoke about the Maple Trail playground. The merry-go-round is a safety concern. He wanted to make a suggestion of installing a digger instead of the merry-go-round. He isn't sure of the cost for a merry-go-round but the digger could be cheaper and you could possibly get 2. He found a price for \$550 each shipped. There would be a decrease in price if you buy multiples and used a debit card. The SSDAC have been talking about different equipment to put there. They have researched and are second guessing the merry-go-round. We know that the swings are still good and we have a slide to put there. Any input or suggestions is welcomed.

It was asked about the SSDAC email address. Who gets the email? The committee checks it. Could you set up a filter so that way all of the members could receive the email? Not sure if Hotmail has it but Gmail does. It would be like an email hub.

Michelle L., a SSDAC member said that she would like to see one of the swings removed from the playgrounds and install a handicapped swing. She is not sure of the cost.

Barry said they needed to pick a 2017 chairperson of the SSDAC. Ruth asked if the audience could say anything. Barry said sure. Ruth said she would like to see Barry as the chairperson again. It was seconded that Barry be the chairperson again. Barry asked Lynn if she wanted to do another term. She said that she would do another term and she enjoys helping the people. Jeff seconded for Lynn to remain chairperson of the SSDAC. The committee voted unanimously. Lynn will be chairperson of the SSDAC for 2017.

How long is the term for SSDAC chairperson? 1 year.

Barry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.