

Friends of Lancaster County LLC Meeting April 12, 2006 7:00PM
President Charlie Costello called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
Approximately 25 members were present.

Tonight's featured speaker is Brian Barnes, President of Greenshore Solutions. They have been in business 3 years and work on "soft" shoreline and erosion controls. During his presentation Brian showed a number of actual shoreline projects and how the problems were corrected. Some examples included Coir Logs and grass plug plantings. He noted you need a large intertidal zone for this approach to work.

One slide showed how gaps in the protection system allow the various tidal zones to interact and keep life in the water able to move between the zones. It takes about 40 to 50 foot of marsh to handle a 1-2 foot wave!!!! Brian noted that telling where MLW is is just an educated guess.

During the business meeting, Charlie noted he had just addressed the Women's Club of Lancaster. The Treasurer reported we have 218 members and a balance of \$1932 in the bank. Charlie mentioned the organization would apply to become a 501© (4) organization to improve tax issues.

Next week there will be an important meeting on the School Budget which is 70% of the total county budget. Charlie encouraged people to get involved with the process and understand the numbers.

A resolution was made from the floor to request detailed county budget information be provided in real time online. Nick Ferriter seconded the motion. The resolution on the floor was for FOLC to support putting the School Board and County budgets online. When the vote was called the resolution was defeated.