

**LORD FAIRFAX SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES
Strasburg Community Center
Strasburg, Virginia
May 12, 2016**

Directors Present		County
Comanor, Joan		County of Shenandoah
Fagan, Jim		County of Shenandoah
Gessner, Mary		County of Shenandoah
Hockman-Nicholas, Kitty		County of Frederick
Hoover, Richard		County of Warren
Mackay-Smith, Justin		County of Clarke
Neese, Michael		Winchester City
Richards, Ira B.		County of Warren
Simpson, HB		Winchester City
Walls, Marietta Cather		County of Frederick
Webb, Wayne		County of Clarke
Directors Absent		County
Childs, Corey		Extension Agent
Associate Directors Present		County
Gnegy, Karen		County of Shenandoah
Martin, Jim		County of Warren
Nagelvoort, Bud		County of Clarke
Associate Directors Absent		County
Dibenedetto, Vincent		Winchester City
Showman, Geary		County of Shenandoah
Stanford, Rick		County of Shenandoah
Staff Absent		
Staff/Cooperating Agencies/Guests		Affiliation
Campbell, Amanda		LFSWCD Administrative Assistant
Chester, Amanda		LFSWCD Conservation Specialist
Ferguson, Sheryl		LFSWCD Conservation Assistant
Gochenour, Dana		LFSWCD Conservation Specialist
Sloop, Alison		LFSWCD Conservation Specialist
Truban, Sam		LFSWCD Conservation Specialist
Pinsky, James		Ed & Info Coordinator
Cross, Debbie		DCR
Mike Liskey		NRCS

The meeting was called to order at 10:05.

Minutes: Motion made to approve the minutes. (Comanor, Simpson)

Amendment: Wayne Webb was listed as present.

Chair Report:

Hoover reported that he and Wayne Webb attended the Shenandoah Tributary TMDL meeting. As a member of the TMDL Steering Committee, Wayne will review the TMDL plan.

Bud Nagelvoort will be inducted into the NACD Hall of Fame. The event takes place August 2st/2nd in Cherokee, North Carolina.

The District's budget allocation submitted by Warren County authorities to the Board of Supervisors for its approval is \$11,000, the same amount approved last year..

Treasurer's Report: Martin reviewed the Treasurer's Report. We received the 4th quarter letter from DCR.

LFSWCD Reports:

Senior Conservation Specialist Report: Gochenour had nothing to add to her written report.

Conservation Specialist Report: Truban had nothing to add to his written report.

Conservation Specialist Report: Sloop had nothing to add to her written report.

Conservation Specialist Report: Chester had nothing to add to her written report.

Education & Info Coordinator: Pinsky reported that Strasburg High School qualified for State Envirothon competition but can't attend due to scheduling of tests.

He was able to highlight Nagelvoort' success.

The VCAP program will help the District to change the fabric of who we are. The website is now functional, but still a work in progress.

Conservation Easement Committee: Richard's had nothing to report.

Conservation Technical Committee: Gessner reported that the District received \$155,000k in 2016 Supplemental SL-6 cost-share funds. Two tax credit increases were approved. Three pending SL-6's were approved.

Motion made to recommend the Board sign the 2016 Supplemental SL-6 Agreement. (Gessner, Nagelvoort, the motion passed)

Motion made that the Board accept the Committee report including tax credits and projects. (Gessner, Walls, the motion passed).

Motion made to delegate authority to the Technical Committee to approve any projects before the end of the fiscal year. (Gessner, Hockman-Nicholas, the motion passed)

Dam Safety Committee: Fagan reported that Lake Laura (Bryce) is full again. They are working on Bird Haven. All site prep and excavation are complete and excess material hauled to the Bird Haven property

owners for their use. Work on the spillway is expected to be completed over the spring and completion of the job in July.

Education & Information Committee: Comanor had nothing to add to her written report. The committee will meet after the Board meeting.

She reported that Shenandoah County's budget for the District is back to \$14,000.

The committee received 2 applications for Youth Conservation Camp and the applicant from Sherando was selected. Pinsky will take care of the notification.

Finance Committee: Martin reported that the Finance Committee minutes are attached. He asked that committee chairs get budget requests into the Finance Committee.

Legislative Committee: Nagelvoort had nothing to add to his written report.

NSVRC Regional Water Resource Policy Committee: Webb reported that the committee met on April 21st. Topics discussed were about housing and transportation. They also met April 20th to review statewide water supply planning efforts and to address specific compliance items requested for our Regional Water Supply Plan update. He shared the concern of increasing nitrates in the Valley groundwater.

Operations Committee: Martin contacted OAG about repositories and proceeding with setting up repository as preceded. The committee will meet next month.

Personnel Committee: Simpson reported that the Board approved the Personnel Policy last month. Copies will be included in the May Board meeting folders.

Nagelvoort added that the Personnel Committee needs to submit salaries to the Finance Committee.

Shenandoah County Water Resources Advisory Committee: .Comanor had nothing to report. Shenandoah County abolished the easement funding and program authority as part of a budget compromise among the Supervisors. Future easements can be voluntary, but will not be funded with county funds.

Shenandoah Pure Water Forum: Gessner had nothing to add to her written report.

Urban BMP Committee: Neese reported that the committee met prior to the Board meeting to discuss the VCAP program. The following motions were made:

1). Motion **made that the District participate in the VCAP program. (Neese, Hockman-Nicholas, the motion passed)**

The committee recommended that the Urban BMP Committee reviews applications. The deadline is December 31st.

2). Motion **made to approve, review and process applications for the VCAP.**

Motion amended that the staff member in charge of the BMP's be added as a member of the committee. (Neese, Hockman-Nicholas, the motion passed.)

3). Motion for the Board to authorize the Urban BMP Committee to commit funds to applicant's contingent upon the applicant's approval and reimbursement by VCAP. Neese, Hockman-Nicholas, the motion passed.

4). Motion made to reflect these changes in the Annual Plan of Work/Strategic Plan. (Neese, Hockman-Nicholas, the motion passed.

Agency Reports:

Natural Resources Conservation Service: Liskey didn't submit a written report, but reported that Brezinski is back from Boot Camp. Ten EQUIP plans were approved.

Dept. of Conservation & Recreation: Cross reviewed her written report. She reported that operating funds will remain the same as last year.

Virginia Dept. of Forestry: No written report submitted.

Virginia Cooperative Extension: No written report submitted.

Department of Environmental Quality: Peer submitted a written report.

Gessner reported that the Friends of the North Fork Family Fun Dam has been postponed.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 11:30. (Gessner, Webb, the motion passed)

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary

June 9, 2016

Approved