

**LORD FAIRFAX SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES
Strasburg Community Center
Strasburg, Virginia
August 11, 2016**

Directors Present		County
Childs, Corey	Extension Agent	
Comanor, Joan	County of Shenandoah	
Fagan, Jim	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	
Webb, Wayne	County of Clarke	
Directors Absent		County
Gessner, Mary	County of Shenandoah	
Walls, Marietta Cather	County of Frederick	
Associate Directors Present		County
Martin, Jim	County of Warren	
Nagelvoort, Bud	County of Clarke	
Associate Directors Absent		County
Dibenedetto, Vincent	Winchester City	
Gnegy, Karen`	County of Shenandoah	
Showman, Geary	County of Shenandoah	
Stanford, Rick	County of Shenandoah	
Staff/Cooperating Agencies/Guests		Affiliation
Campbell, Amanda	LFSWCD Administrative Assistant	
Chester, Amanda	LFSWCD Conservation Specialist	
Gochenour, Dana	LFSWCD Sr. Conservation Specialist	
Sloop, Alison	LFSWCD Conservation Specialist	
Truban, Sam	LFSWCD Conservation Specialist	
Pinsky, James	Ed & Info Coordinator	
Cross, Debbie	DCR	

The meeting was called to order at 10:00

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

Chair Report: Hoover asked Nagelvoort to report on his induction into the National Conservation Hall of Fame in Cherokee, North Carolina.

The COIA/FOIA training will be held on August 15th at the Virginia Department of Forestry in Charlottesville.

He attended the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Virginia Outdoors Foundation at the Andy Guest State Park.

Potential award winners for the November Annual Awards Banquet is heavily weighted to farmers. He urged staff and Board members to give thought to additional prospects.

Treasurer's Report: Martin reviewed his written report. He reported that there is one outstanding check to be resolved. Campbell reported that it has been taken care of.

LFSWCD Reports:

Senior Conservation Specialist Report: Gochenour reported that techs had nothing to add to their written reports. She presented a TMDL slide show on Crooked Run. Cross described the TMDL process.

Crooked Run's urban is in Frederick Co. and pastureland in Warren Co.

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

Conservation Specialist Report: Sloop gave a VCAP update. She noted that people are interested.

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

Education & Info Coordinator: Pinsky was not in attendance. He was at a meeting with Clarke and Warren Counties. He included directions and deadline for submitting award nominations in the meeting folders. folders.

Comanor added that any category of Urban BMP Awards may be can be given in to all counties. Award nominations should be given to Pinsky. We need the correct name, organization and justification. The deadline is the end of September 9th..

Conservation Easement Committee: Richard's had nothing to report. Gochenour reported that she was contacted by Washington Gas regarding the Brumback Easement in Warren Co.

Conservation Technical Committee: Gochenour reviewed the committee report. She reported that they approved 8 SL-6 backlog practices and voted to provide cost share to cover crop practices.

Motion made to approve the Technical Committee Report and SL-6 practices. (Hockman-Nicholas, Comanor, the motion passed)

Motion made to approve the secondary considerations. (Comanor, Simpson, the motion passed)

Dam Safety Committee: Fagan reviewed his written report. Bimonthly Principals meetings were held with representatives from DCR, Bryce Resort, LFSWCD, Schnabel Engineering and ASI Contractor to review the project status. The lake is fully available to Bryce Resort. Work at Bird Haven Dam is ongoing.

Work on the spillway is expected to be completed over the spring and complete the job in July.

The State has a dam water program that has been terminated due to funding restraints.

Education & Information Committee: Comanor reported that the committee met following the July Board meeting and approved the Ed & Info Calendar for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year (minutes and calendar attached).. They will meet following the September Board meeting to finalize award nominations.

Motion made to authorize the Ed & Info Committee to select the award winners based on nominations submitted by the September Board meeting. (Comanor, Simpson, motion passed.)

Pinsky is working on the Annual Report. Comanor discussed the Funding Chart that is included in the meeting folder.

Finance Committee: Martin had nothing to report.

Legislative Committee: Nagelvoort reviewed his written report. Nagelvoort noted that John Peterson, VASWCD rep on NACD Board, secured Federal legislation in 2000 providing funding for dam rehab which helped pay for our rehabs.

NSVRC Regional Water Resource Policy Committee: Webb reported that the Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission did not meet in July.

Operations Committee: Martin reported that the Strategic Plan expires this year. He would like to invite constituents to review the plan. The Board should review the current plan and provide changes. He is looking at bringing a facilitator on for meeting with stakeholders.

Personnel Committee: Comanor reviewed the revised Personnel Policy.

Motion made to approve the revised Personnel Policy. (Comanor, Simpson, the motion passed).

Debbie Cross noted that the Personnel Policy does not need to be on the website.

Shenandoah County Water Resources Advisory Committee: Comanor had nothing to report.

Shenandoah Pure Water Forum: Gessner submitted a written report.

Urban BMP Committee: Neese reported that there is a lot of outreach going on. Alison reported that there was an Urban BMP approved – Rainwater Harvesting.

Agency Reports:

Natural Resources Conservation Service: No written report submitted and no representation.

Dept. of Conservation & Recreation: Cross reviewed her written report.

Motion made to approve the Attach D. (Comanor, Neese, the motion passed).

Virginia Dept. of Forestry: Lehnen submitted a written report.

Virginia Cooperative Extension: No written report submitted.

Department of Environmental Quality: Peer submitted a written report.

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Amanda Campbell".

Secretary

Approved