

LORD FAIRFAX SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MINUTES
Strasburg Community Center, Strasburg, Virginia
April 12, 2018

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	
Walls, Marietta Cather	County of Frederick	
Webb, Wayne	County of Clarke	
Directors Absent		County
Gessner, Mary	County of Shenandoah	
Richards, Ira	County of Warren	
Simpson, HB	Winchester City	
Associate Directors Present		County
Martin, Jim	County of Warren	
Nagelvoort, Bernard	County of Clarke	
Associate Directors Absent		County
Dibenedetto, Vincent	Winchester City	
Gnegy, Karen	County of Shenandoah	
Stanford, Rick	County of Shenandoah	
Staff Absent		
Staff & Others Present		Affiliation
Campbell, Amanda	LFSWCD Administrative Assistant	
Gochenour, Dana	LFSWCD Sr. Conservation Specialist	
Livesay, Nick	LFSWCD Conservation Specialist	
Sloop, Alison	LFSWCD Conservation Specialist	
Truban, Sam	LFSWCD Conservation Specialist	
Barriteau, Brent	NRCS	
Cross, Debbie	DCR	

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Minutes: Motion made to approve the minutes as distributed. (Comanor, Childs, motion passed)

Chair's Report: Hoover thanked Comanor for chairing the March meeting.

Vehicle: Truban gave an update on the second vehicle status. He is waiting to get information and then order it.

Envirothon: Wayne Webb reported that he took a lot of pictures. Staff will submit an article to the Northern Virginia Daily.

Winning teams are: Mountain Vista (1), Regional Governor's School (2) and Sherando H.S. (3rd)

Treasurer's Report: Martin reviewed his written report. Statements were reconciled. DCR provided a report from Robinson, Farmer, and Cox Associates giving an overview of the results from the audit.

Hoover reported that the Warren County budget contribution to the District remained the same for FY 19 at \$12,000.

Comanor reported that Shenandoah Co. gave an additional \$1,000.

Clarke Co. gave \$5,000.

LFSWCD Reports:

Senior Conservation Specialist Report: Gochenour had nothing to add to her written report. She thanked everyone for helping with the envirothon.

Conservation Specialist Report: Truban had nothing to add to his written report. He thanked Kitty for donating meat to the envirothon.

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

- 1) Community Garden event will be held April 21.
- 2) Community Plant Swap will be held at the Town of Woodstock on April 29.

. Livesay added that all garden plots have been asked for except 1.

Conservation Specialist Report: Livesay had nothing to add to his written report/

April 18th rainwater harvesting will be installed.

Contractor for Conservation Services Report: Written report submitted.

Education & Info Coordinator: Position vacant.

Alternate Funding Committee: Richards was absent from the meeting.

Conservation Easement Committee: Richards was absent from the meeting.

Gochenour reported that she and VCC conducted inspections on seven easements. Maps are in the folders. She reviewed her written report. VCC Board met and gave the Parsons permission to conduct changes.

Motion made that Lord Fairfax Soil & Water Conservation District approves Bill and Lorna Parson's request to construct an addition to the brick home on their property, as well as the proposed outbuildings shown on the map the Parsons have provided. (Walls, Comanor, motion passed)

Conservation Technical Committee: The committee didn't meet prior to the Board meeting.

Sloop requested an increase for Wm Hulver SL-6. Contract # 13-15-0086; Instance #204237 in the amount of \$18,648.90.

Motion made to approve the increase for Contract #13-15-0086. (Hockman-Nicholas; Childs, motion passed).

Gochenour submitted an Equipment Tax Credit for Jonathan Church.

Motion made to approve the tax credit. (Comanor, Hockman-Nicholas, motion passed).

Dam Safety Committee: Fagan reported that they had some wind damage to the auto control gate at Bryce.

Education & Information Committee: Comanor reported that the Area I Meeting Agenda is in the folders. The new education coordinator will begin the first week of May. She gave a County Farm update. We are finalizing arrangements for the November 2018 awards luncheon. Minutes from the March 8th Ed & Info Committee are attached. The committee will meet immediately following the May 10 Board meeting.

Finance Committee: Martin reported that HB Simpson was not in attendance. They are working on establishing 2019 budget. Committee Chairs should send him their budget requests. The committee also approved a request to authorize the expenditure of funds for a second vehicle for the district, as well as, the replacement of one staff computer.

Committee Chairs are reminded to submit their funding requests for FY19 by the end of April.

Legislative Committee: Fagan gave a legislative update.

NSVRC Regional Water Resource Policy Committee: Webb reported that the March meeting was cancelled.

Operations Committee: Martin reviewed his written report. The committee will take up the issue of developing a policy for replacing old and outdated equipment in the district.

Personnel Committee: Comanor reported the Ed & Info Coordinator will be hearing from Simpson. Performance reviews will be conducted in June.

Shenandoah County Water Resources Advisory Committee: Comanor reported that design options were presented for urban BMPs. Ten urban BMP potential projects were identified on county-owned land. Three will be used for more detailed design planning, including 1 each at the County Park, County Farm, and Government Administration Building. Engineers will be back in July with final designs on stormwater management projects.

Shenandoah Pure Water Forum: Nothing reported.

Urban BMP Committee: Michael Neese had nothing to report.

Agency Reports:

Natural Resources Conservation Service: Barriteau had nothing to add to his written report. Nagelvoort commented that it was the most elaborate NRCS report he had ever seen.

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

Attach D can be revised or let it be the same because DCR doesn't have a budget.

Virginia Dept. of Forestry: No written report submitted by Wolanski.

Virginia Cooperative Extension: Childs gave an update on the water testing program. It has been very successful. Well testing should be done every 2 or 3 years. Clarke Co. VCE won't be in the Chalmers Bldg. It will be on Westwood Road.

Department of Environmental Quality: Shiflet submitted a written report.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 12:15. (Comanor, Webb, motion passed).

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary

5/10/2018

Approved