

Meeting Minutes
Monacan Soil and Water Conservation District
Board of Directors
October 16, 2023
Goochland Agricultural Center
Goochland, VA

- A. Call to Order – 9 a.m.
 - 1. Directors present – Jonathan Lyle, John Kochensparger, Sebastian Volcker, Kenton Moyer
 - 2. Associate Directors present – Ken Carter, Dan Jones, Kate Anderson, Sandy Brindley
 - 3. Staff Present – Keith Burgess, Colton Sullivan, Lissy Hamilton
 - 4. Others – Denney Collins (DCR), Erin Small (VCE), Kevin McClean

- B. Pledge of Allegiance

- C. Public Comment Period - none

- D. Approve September Meeting Minutes – Lissy presented. Motion to approve minutes made by Sebastian. Kenton seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion carried.

- E. Treasurer's Report – Lissy presented. John made the motion to accept the report as presented. Kenton seconded the motion. There was discussion about the LGIP accounts and transferring monies from the general operations bank account in the future. Keith commented about finding purposes for interest gained in the LGIP. The motion carried.

- F. Chairman's Report
 - 1. Resource Management Plan regulations review
 - 2. Virginia Agricultural Cost Program enforcement eligibility

- G. Director/Associate Director Reports
 - 1. Jonathan- He attended the state fair. Dover Halls' chef was nominated as chef of the year. Attended the economic development tour last week. He recently assigned members for the nominating committee. He will be meeting with the new school superintendent about a possible ag teacher at Goochland Middle School. He will not be able to attend the November meeting.
 - 2. John – He attended the recent town hall meeting in Powhatan.
 - 3. Sandy – She went with Colton to a recent elementary education program, remarking that Colton did a great job.
 - 4. Sebastian – Apologized for missing ag meeting. He updated the website.
 - 5. Kate – Would love for there to be an ag teacher at the middle school.
 - 6. Kenton – None
 - 7. Dan – Has been busy with campaign season.
 - 8. Ken – Has been working as the association rep for the buffer initiative DOF task force. Amber Ellis sent Ken an email about Keith receiving an award.

- H. Liaison Reports – none present

- I. DEQ TMDL presentation -Kevin Mclean presented.

- J. Committee Reports

1. Ag Committee – Kenton presented.
 - a. VACS approvals – Ken presented the following contracts as a motion to approve made by the Ag Committee. The motion carried.
 1. Contract # 38-24-0022. SL-8B - \$16,578.80
 2. Contract # 38-24-0023. NM-1A - \$484.68
 3. Contract # 38-24-0024. SL-8B - \$8,894.90
 4. Contract # 38-24-0025. NM-1A - \$254.14
 5. Contract # 38-24-0032. SL-8B - \$104,490.00
 6. Contract # 38-24-0033. NM-1A - \$2,322.00
 7. Contract # 38-24-0034. SL-8B - \$71,532.90
 8. Contract # 38-24-0035. SL-8H - \$9,200.80
 9. Contract # 38-24-0036. NM-1A - \$7,232.74
 10. Contract # 38-24-0037. SL-8B - \$27,910.80
 11. Contract # 38-24-0038. NM-1A - \$580.24
 12. Contract # 38-24-0039. SL-8B - \$6,264.00
 13. Contract # 38-24-0040. SL-8B - \$13,266.00
 14. Contract # 38-24-0041. SL-8B - \$4,382.00
 15. Contract # 38-24-0042. NM-1A - \$125.00
 16. Contract # 38-24-0043. SL-8B - \$3,059.00
 17. Contract # 38-24-0044. NM-1A - \$122.00

b. CRLC Easement Reviews

- i. Oakdale – Motion to approve conservation easement made by the ag committee. Keith and Jane were given authority to make edits of section 7. Motion to approve the easement with edits carried.
 - ii. Hatcher
2. Financial Committee – county budget requests – Sebastian presented. Keith suggested that the finance committee should have some authority to make the budget request, due to time constraints. This was presented as a motion by the committee. Jonathan opposed asking for an increase without justification. The motion was amended to ask for a justified increase in financial support from both counties. John commented that we have proven to be financially responsible. The motion carried.

K. Old Business

1. Annual Report

L. Unfinished Business

1. VASWCD Annual Meeting
2. Agricultural Outreach Event, November 14 – Flyers and postcards to be sent out today.
3. Financial Committee – to be scheduled
 - a. County budget
 - b. Financial SOPs
 - c. LGIP accounts
4. Personnel Committee
 - a. Employee grievance – October 19 meeting
 - b. Job description for new position
 - c. Leave Policy

- M. New Business – no new business. Jonathan let the board know that Sarah Worely will be reaching out about a grant application.

N. DCR Conservation District Coordinator – Denney Collins – previously provided report via email. She reminded board and staff of upcoming dates. The Budget amendment was signed by governor in September.

O. Staff Reports & Presentation

1. Keith – Attended the celebration yesterday for Johns Bailey Endowment. Provided education program at Randolph Elementary school. Provided technical assistance to Goochland county and individuals.
2. Colton – Planning for outreach event, education program at Westview. Attended the TAC committee meeting. The current phase of the state farm project is finishing up.
3. Lissy – finished up quarterly reporting to state and counties, as well as quarterly funding requests to counties, and quarterly taxes. Created flyers/postcards for VACS.

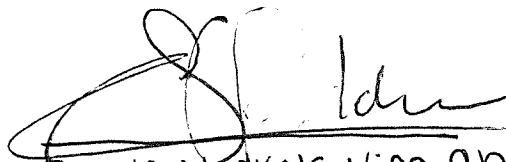
P. Reports of Cooperating Agencies

1. Virginia Cooperative Extension – Erin Small reported for Goochland.
2. Natural Resources Conservation Service
3. Other Partners

Q. Adjourn - 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lissy Hamilton
office administrator

Date Nov. 20, 2023


~~Ronnie Nuckols, vice chair~~
Sebastian Volcker

