

Monacan Soil and Water Conservation District
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
December 19, 2022
Central HS Auditorium
Goochland, VA

- A. Call to Order and Roll Call – 9:02 AM
1. Directors present – Jonathan Lyle, Richard Ayers, Ronnie Nuckols, Nicole Shuman, Kenton Moyer, John Kochensparger
 2. Associate Directors present – Sebastian Volcker, Rachel Henley, Dan Jones
 3. Staff present – Betty McCracken, Conservation Specialist; Colton Sullivan, Ag Conservationist; Lissy Hamilton, Office Administrator
 4. Others present – Denney Collins, DCR; Bill Cox, Powhatan Board of Supervisors; Ray Cash, Goochland County Community Development; Ross Braun, Goochland;
- B. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Jonathan.
- C. Public Comment Period
- D. Approve Minutes – Lissy presented minutes. Richard made a motion to approve minutes. Ronnie seconded. There was no discussion. The motion carried.
- E. Treasurer's Report – Lissy presented. Motion to accept report as presented made by Ronnie Nuckols. Seconded by Kenton Moyer. There was no discussion. The motion carried.
- F. Chairman's Report
1. EJAA Letter from DCR – Jonathan presented.
 2. VASWCD Annual Meeting – Jonathan presented. Staff received award for demonstrating partnership and collaboration in the Chesapeake Bay Landscape Professionals Riparian Forest Buffer Training.
 3. Resolution for Richard Ayers – John presented. John motioned to accept resolution and presented to Richard. Ronnie seconded. The motion carried. Bill Cox commended on Richard's work with the Powhatan Planning Commission and Master Gardeners. Bill thanked Richard for his dedication. John let the Board know Richard will be recognized at the Powhatan Board of Supervisors meeting.
 4. Rachel Henley was in the Goochland Gazette for taking top honors in the VFBF Young Farmers Discussion Meet.
 5. Jonathan reported that the meat processing plant proposal in Goochland has been approved.
- G. Director/Associate Director Reports
1. Dan – thanked Richard for his work.
 2. John – Nothing to report.
 3. Nicole – Nothing to report.
 4. Richard – traveled to Mississippi in October to visit family and see the balloon festival. In November he traveled by cruise on the Nile to Egypt. He enjoyed the experience.
 5. Rachel – enjoyed the Christmas holiday with her family.
 6. Ronnie – Nothing to report.
 7. Kenton – Nothing to report.

8. Sebastian – recognized Nicole for nominating Monacan for award at the annual meeting in Roanoke. John won a raffle at the annual meeting. The James River Association came to Clover Forest and planted trees for buffer. He presented Betty with a prize for being the District Photo Contest Winner.

H. Liaison Reports

1. Goochland Solar Facility Ordinance – See below, proceeding Committee Reports Ray Cash, Assistant Director of Community Development, presented.
2. Goochland
3. Powhatan

I. Committee Reports

1. Ag Committee – Ronnie motioned to approve the following contracts in one motion:
 - a. Contract #38-23-0043, CCI-SL-6W, \$7,447.50
 - b. Contract #38-23-0044, CCI-SL-6W, \$18,273.75
 - c. Contract #38-23-0046, CCI-WP-4 (Animal Waste Control Facilities – Maintenance), \$11,012.50
 - d. Contract #38-23-0047, CCI-WP-4C (Composter Facilities – Maintenance), \$2,000.00
 - e. Contract #38-23-0048, CCI-SL-6W, \$29,018.75Kenton seconded the motion. Richard recommended that CCI is a continuing practice. The motion carried.

Kenton stepped out.

- f. Contract #38-23-0045, CCI-CNT (Long Term Continuous No-Till Planting Systems), \$15,601.25 – Ronnie presented with a motion to approve. Richard seconded. The motion carried.

Kenton stepped in.

2. Nominations Committee – Richard presented. The nominations committee nominated Jonathan to serve a second term as Chair, and Ronnie as Vice Chair.

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- #### J. Goochland Solar Facility Ordinance - Presentation by Ray Cash, Assistant Director of Community Development – “Solar in Goochland.” The presentation included Goochland’s proposals for the installation, maintenance and disposal of solar panels and proposed policies that will protect ag land.

K. Unfinished Business

L. New Business

1. Policies – the following district policies were reviewed by the Board.
 - a. Financial Policy – reviewed, no revision.
 - b. FOIA Request Fee Schedule – reviewed, no revision.
 - c. Virginia Agricultural Best Management Practice Tax Credit Policy – reviewed, no revision.
 - d. Map Fee Schedule – reviewed, rescinded by board.Richard motioned to accept policies above as listed. Nicole seconded. The motion carried.

- #### M. DCR Conservation District Coordinator – Denney Collins presented – noted on FOIA deadlines.

N. Staff Reports & Presentation

1. Keith – not present, report previously emailed.
2. Betty – reported on VACS allocation status and outreach contacts.
3. Colton – Reported on VACS and the 4-L Ranch project.

O. Reports of Cooperating Agencies

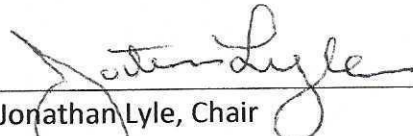
1. VCE – Goochland – Nicole Shuman – Part time volunteer coordinator position has been posted.
2. VCE – Powhatan – Rachel Henley – Many newcomers joining Master Gardeners. She reported on upcoming programs in February, including a Women-in-Ag event.
3. NRCS – none present.
4. Other Partners – none present.

P. Adjourn - 10:37 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lissy Hamilton
Office Administrator

Approved January 23, 2023
Date


Jonathan Lyle, Chair