



**Piedmont Soil and Water Conservation District  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Farmville, Virginia  
August 28, 2018 11:00 a.m.**

**Board Members Present:**

Larkin Moyer –Director, Amelia County / Chairman  
Ricky Rash – Director, Nottoway County/Vice Chairman  
Chuck Arnason –Director, Nottoway County / Secretary  
Dr. Wilkie Chaffin –Director, Prince Edward County / Treasurer  
Bill Powers –Director, Prince Edward County  
Juan Whittington –Appointed Director, Amelia County  
Haley Norton- Appointed Director, VCE Nottoway County  
Gary Dillard – Associate Director, Amelia County  
Horace Adams- Associate Director, Prince Edward County

**Board Members Absent:**

Donna Kerr – Director, Amelia County

**Piedmont SWCD Staff Present:**

Deanna Fehrer- District Manager  
Charlie Wootton- Senior Conservation Specialist  
Kevin Dunn – Ag BMP Conservationist  
Emily Gibbs- Urban & Program Support

**Others Present:**

Blair Gordon, DCR  
Denney Turner, DCR-CDC  
Carla Bennett, DCR Grants Manager

**CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME**

A regular meeting of the Piedmont SWCD Board of Directors was held at the Prince Edward Natural Resources and Agriculture Building in Farmville on August 28, 2018. Chairman Moyer called the meeting to order, welcomed directors, staff, partners, and led the group in prayer. A quorum was present. Blair Gordon introduced Denney Turner, the new Conservation District Coordinator, and Carla Bennett, Grants Manager for DCR Soil and Water Division.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**On a motion by Mr. Rash, seconded by Mr. Arnason and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved the July 24, 2018 minutes as presented.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**On a motion by Mr. Arnason, seconded by Mr. Rash and carried by unanimous vote, the Board accepted the July 2018 Treasurer's Report as presented to be filed for audit.**

**CONSERVATION COMMITTEE** *(See attached Conservation Report)*

The Conservation Committee met prior to the Board meeting.

**DEQ 319(h) Residential Septic Cost-Share Transfer Agreement**

**On a motion by Mr. Rash, seconded by Mr. Powers and carried by unanimous vote, the Board accepted the transfer agreement for contract 05-18-0097 (Rena Koesler) to new property owner, Christina Barmoy, for an RB3 septic practice.**

**DEQ 319(h) Residential Septic Cost-Share Approvals**

**On a motion by Mr. Rash, seconded by Mr. Powers and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved the following DEQ 319(h) Residential Cost-Share applications (9) as presented:**

**Flat Creek, et al.****Violet Jones****(05-19-0015)**

Nottoway County

**RB-1 Septic Tank Pump Out**

Estimated Cost \$300.00

Estimated Cost-Share \$270.00 (90% cost-share rate)

**Ronald Armes****(05-19-0016)**

Nottoway County

**RB-1 Septic Tank Pump Out**

Estimated Cost \$300.00

Estimated Cost-Share \$150.00 (50% cost-share rate)

**Sharon Jones****(05-19-0018)**

Nottoway County

**RB-1 Septic Tank Pump Out**

Estimated Cost \$300.00

Estimated Cost-Share \$225.00 (75% cost-share rate)

**Spring Creek, et al.****Cheryl Mayton****(05-19-0005)**

Prince Edward County

**RB-4 Conventional Onsite Sewage System Installation/Replacement**

Estimated Cost \$5,550.00

Estimated Cost-Share \$4,995.00 (90% cost-share rate)

**Mary Bacon****(05-19-0017)**

Prince Edward County

**RB-1 Septic Tank Pump Out**

Estimated Cost \$300.00

Estimated Cost-Share \$270.00 (90% cost-share rate)

**Stephen Keith****(05-19-0027)**

Prince Edward County

**RB-1 Septic Tank Pump Out**

Estimated Cost \$300.00

Estimated Cost-Share \$150.00 (50% cost-share rate)

**Pisgah Baptist Church****(05-19-0030)**

Prince Edward County

**RB-5 Alternative Onsite Sewage System Installation**

Estimated Cost \$15,300.00

Estimated Cost-Share \$ 7,650.00 (50% cost-share rate)

\*System is being installed at the church parsonage, which is a residence and is therefore eligible for the cost-share program.\*

<b>Thomas Wooding</b> <b>(05-19-0044)</b> Prince Edward County	<b>RB-1 Septic Tank Pump Out</b> Estimated Cost \$300.00 Estimated Cost-Share \$150.00 (50% cost-share rate)
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<b>Sunny Slope Orchard</b> <b>(05-19-0047)</b> Prince Edward County	<b>RB-1 Septic Tank Pump Out</b> Estimated Cost \$300.00 Estimated Cost-Share \$150.00 (50% cost-share rate)
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### **CREP/RCPP Contract Cost Share Approvals**

**On a recommendation by the Conservation Committee with Mr. Rash presenting the motion, the Board accepted with unanimous vote the following contracts as presented (DCR has previously approved the state cost share dollars):**

#### **CREP**

<b>Paul Brenneman</b> <b>(05-19-0003)</b> Nottoway County	Estimated Cost \$59,765.50 Estimated Cost-Share \$15,219.25 Estimated Tax Credit \$ 3,712.19
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#### **RCPP**

<b>Bobby Stockner</b> <b>(05-19-0002)</b> Amelia County	Estimated Cost \$16,854.64 Estimated Cost-Share \$ 4,213.66
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### **VACS Contract Cost Share Approvals**

**On a motion by Mr. Rash, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Board accepted with unanimous vote, the following Chesapeake Bay VACS contracts as presented:**

#### **Amelia - CB**

<u>Applicant and Contract</u>	<u>Practice &amp; Extent</u>	<u>Estimated Cost Share</u>
Ameva Farm 05-19-0006	SL8H 132.80ac	\$2,656.00
	WQ4 31.7ac	\$ 951.00
	SL8B 95.70	\$2,392.50 Estimated Tax Credit
Redfield Farm 05-19-0026	SL8H 62.2ac	\$1,244.00
	SL8B 3.6ac	\$ 144.00
Avery's Branch 05-19-0025	SL8H 37.60ac	\$ 752.00
	SL8B 18.40ac	\$ 736.00
	SL1 47.70ac	\$ 13,034.03
Whitaker Farms 05-19-0024	SL8H 88.90ac	\$ 1,778.00
	SL8B 36.20ac	\$ 1,448.00
	WQ4 135.60ac	\$ 4,068.00
Reamford Farms 05-19-0021	SL8H 35.30ac	\$ 706.00
	SL8B 70.40ac	\$ 2,816.00

David Lewis 05-19-0029	SL8B 139.50ac	\$ 5,580.00
Wilford Poore 05-19-0028	SL8B 357.40ac	\$14,296.00
	SL8B 260.40ac	\$ 6,510.00 Tax Credit
Smith Tobacco 05-19-0031	SL8 164ac	\$ 4,920.00
Charles Glasscock 05-19-0010	SL8 64.80ac	\$ 1,944.00
John Ashman 05-19-0035	SL8H 46.80ac	\$ 936.00
	SL8B 161.90ac	\$ 6,476.00
	NM1 244.90ac	\$ 489.80
Blanton Farms 05-19-0034	SL8H 120ac	\$ 2,400.00
	SL8B 89.5ac	\$ 3,580.00
George Ashman 05-19-0033	SL8H 22.60ac	\$ 452.00
Hoot Owl Farm 05-19-0032	SL8H 128.70ac	\$ 2,574.00
	WQ4 86.40ac	\$ 2,592.00
Stephen Reames 05-19-0037	SL8H 21.40ac	\$ 428.00
David Benson 05-19-0036	SL8B 367.90ac	\$14,716.00
	SL8B 22.60ac	\$ 565.00 Tax Credit
Creamfield Farm 05-19-0046	NM1 122.80ac	\$ 245.60
	NM5P 122.80ac	\$ 982.40
Vaughan Cattle Co. 05-19-0041	SL8H 167.30ac	\$ 3,346.00
	SL8B 62.60ac	\$ 2,504.00
	WQ4 248.10ac	\$ 7,443.00
	SL8B 80.20ac	\$ 2,005.00 Tax Credit
	SL6 2000'excl	\$16,748.80
	SL6 Tax Credit	\$ 1,046.80 Tax Credit
David Smith 05-19-0042	SL1 28.1 ac	\$ 7,678.33
		\$ 405.69 Tax Credit
RM Watkins 05-19-0038	SL8H 387.70ac	\$ 7,754.00
	SL8B 551.30	\$22,052.00
	WQ4 362.20	\$10,866.00
<u>Totals Amelia</u>		
	\$ 171,336.96 (4,769.1 acres)	Approved Est. Cost Share
	\$ 12,924.99 (458.9 acres)	Approved Est. Tax Credit

**Nottoway - CB**

<u>Applicant and Contract</u>	<u>Practice &amp; Extent</u>	<u>Estimated Cost Share</u>
Triple R 05-19-0014	SL8H 348.70ac	\$ 6,974.00
	SL8B 33.10ac	\$ 1,324.00
	SL8B 51.20ac	\$ 1,280.00 Tax Credit
Nicholas Moody 05-19-0011	SL8B 35.00ac	\$ 1,400.00
	NM1 170.30ac	\$ 340.60
	NM5P 170.30ac	\$ 1,362.40
	NM5P 135.30ac	\$ 608.85
John Shepherd 05-19-0008	SL8B 422.30ac	\$16,892.00
George Toth 05-19-0013	SL8H 48.40ac	\$ 968.00
	SL8B 162.60ac	\$ 6,504.00
Whitney Foster 05-19-0001	SL6 1,300' excl	\$17,980.80
<u>Totals Nottoway</u>	<u>\$ 54,354.65 (1,526 acres)</u>	<u>Approved Est. Cost Share</u>
	<u>\$ 1,280.00 ( 51.20acres)</u>	<u>Approved Est. Tax Credit</u>

**Prince Edward - CB**

<u>Applicant and Contract</u>	<u>Practice &amp; Extent</u>	<u>Estimated Cost Share</u>
Jason Geesaman 05-19-0023	SL8H 6.3ac	\$ 126.00
	SL8B 50.9ac	\$ 2,036.00
Boot Hill 05-19-0012	SL8H 508ac	\$10,160.00
	SL8B 413.80ac	\$16,552.00
	SL8B 140.70ac	\$ 3,517.50 Tax Credit
James Garnett, Jr 05-19-0040	SL8B 47.00ac	\$ 1,880.00
Robert Jones 05-19-039	SL8H 161.80ac	\$ 3,236.00
	SL8B 188.20ac	\$ 7,528.00
	SL8B 212.50ac	\$ 5,312.50 Tax Credit
Richard Hilbers 05-19-0043	SL1 16.50ac	\$ 4,508.63
Daniel Glenn III 05-19-0019	SL7 26ac	\$ 3,285.00
		\$ 273.75 Tax Credit
<u>Totals Prince Edward</u>	<u>\$ 49,311.63 (1,418.50 acres)</u>	<u>Approved Est. Cost Share</u>
	<u>\$ 9,103.75 (353.2 acres)</u>	<u>Approved Est. Tax Credit</u>

**MOTION: On a motion by Mr. Rash, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Board accepted with unanimous vote, the following Chesapeake Bay VACS contracts as presented, with Larkin Moyer – Oakmulgee and Juan Whittington – Featherstone Farm absent from the room:**

**Amelia - CB**

<u>Applicant and Contract</u>	<u>Practice &amp; Extent</u>	<u>Estimated Cost Share</u>
Featherstone Farm 05-19-0045	NM1A 1,575.70ac	\$ 3,151.40
	NM5P 1,160.20ac	\$ 9,281.60
	NM5N 572.80ac	\$ 4,582.40
	NM4 415.50ac	\$ 1,869.75
	SL8H 63.70ac	\$ 1,592.50 Tax Credit
	SL8B 523.70ac	\$13,092.50 Tax Credit
	WQ4 572.80ac	\$14,320.00 Tax Credit
Oakmulgee 05-19-0007	SL8B 375.60ac	\$15,024.00
	WQ4 283.70ac	\$ 8,511.00
	SL8H 50.40ac	\$ 1,260.00 Tax Credit

**Grand Totals Chesapeake Bay      \$317,423.39 (12,118.1acres) Approved Est. Cost Share  
\$ 53,573.74 ( 2,073.9 acres) Approved Est. Tax Credit**

**VACS – Outside Chesapeake Bay:**

**On a recommendation by the Conservation Committee with Mr. Rash presenting the motion, the Board accepted with unanimous vote, the following “Outside Chesapeake Bay” VACS contracts as presented:**

**Nottoway - OCB**

<u>Applicant and Contract</u>	<u>Practice &amp; Extent</u>	<u>Estimated Cost Share</u>
Nic Moody 05-19-0011	NM4 28.90ac	\$ 43.35 Tax Credit
	NM5P 28.90ac	\$ 77.09 Tax Credit
John Shepherd 05-19-0008	SL8B 182.80ac	\$ 7,312.00
	SL8B 234.80ac	\$ 5,870.00 Tax Credit
Reamford 05-19-0021	SL8B 101.40ac	\$ 1,897.50 Tax Credit
Harrison Moody 05-19-0022	SL8B 327.60ac	\$ 8,190.00 Tax Credit
	NM5N 327.60ac	\$ 873.87 Tax Credit
	NM5P 327.60ac	\$ 873.87 Tax Credit
Triple R 05-19-0014	SL8H 97.60 ac	\$ 1,187.50 Tax Credit
	SL8B 168.30ac	\$ 4,207.50 Tax Credit

**Totals Nottoway - OCB      \$ 7,432.44 (182.80 acres) Approved Est. Cost Share  
\$17,825.68 (1,642.70 acres) Approved Est. Tax Credit**

**Prince Edward – OCB**

<u>Applicant and Contract</u>	<u>Practice &amp; Extent</u>	<u>Estimated Cost Share</u>
Boot Hill 05-19-0012	SL8B 39.1ac	\$ 977.50 Tax Credit
Doug Spencer 05-19-0020	SL6 2,500' excl	\$12,172.00 \$ 760.75 Tax Credit
<b><u>Totals Prince Edward - OCB</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 12,172.00</u></b>	<b><u>Approved Estimated Cost Share</u></b>
	<b><u>\$ 1,738.25</u></b>	<b><u>Approved Estimated Tax Credit</u></b>

**Grand Totals Outside Chesapeake Bay \$19,484.00 (182.80 acres) Approved Est Cost Share**  
**\$ 24,958.93 (1,681.80 acres) Approved Est Tax Credit**

**Ag Conservation Plans**

**On a recommendation by the Conservation Committee with Mr. Rash presenting the motion, the Board accepted with unanimous vote, the following (10) Agricultural Conservation Plans as presented:**

## Nottoway

Whitney Foster – BMP  
 Richlands Dairy – Compliance  
 John Shepherd – Compliance

## Prince Edward

Larry Allen – Compliance  
 Hoyt Alford – CRP

## Signed for FSA (Prince Edward)

W.L. Hamlett - CREP  
 Shirley Barksdale – CRP  
 D&J Land Investment LLC – CRP  
 Wilkie Chaffin – CRP  
 Edward Glenn – CREP

**FINANCE****DEQ 319 Grant Modifications**

**On a motion by Mr. Rash, seconded by Dr. Chaffin and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved modifications to DEQ 319 Grants # 16143 (Flat Creek) which included an extension until June 30, 2019 and Grant # 16363 (Spring Creek, etc) which included an extension until September 30, 2019 and a reduction of \$75,000 in BMP funding.**

Ms. Gibbs explained the adjustments and reported staff will adjust BMP goals accordingly during this quarter reporting.

**PLANNING**

**On a motion by Ms. Norton, seconded by Dr. Chaffin and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved the nomination of Juan Whittington as the At-Large Appointment for the next four year term beginning January 1, 2019.** The nomination will be forwarded to the State Soil and Water Board for final approval. Localities have been notified of the expiration of the term as well as Mr. Whittington's willingness to continue to serve on the Board.

**WATERSHED**

Mr. Arnason reported the beaver debris has been removed in the riser tower at Bush #5. Staff are working with landowners to address future beaver impacts.

**LEGISLATIVE**

Dr. Chaffin reported the SENACD meeting recently held in Williamsburg was successful. He heard many comments about the interesting sessions and that the conference was well organized. The VASWCD is beginning to work on the 2019 legislative agenda and he will bring a draft to the September meeting. He also attended a planning meeting for the VASWCD annual meeting and reported there will be several new and interesting sessions. There was some discussion about securing a local person to sing the National Anthem during the annual meeting.

**PERSONNEL**

Ms. Fehrer reported that DCR has issued Conservation Planner Certifications to Charlie Wootton and Kevin Dunn. Based on their past certifications and qualifications, they were grandfathered into the new program.

**COMMUNICATION / EDUCATION**

Ms. Gibbs passed around a draft of the 2017-2018 Annual Report for comments. The report will be finalized shortly.

**DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT**

Ms. Fehrer thanked the Board and staff for all their support over the past few months during the recent illness and death of her father. Special thanks was given to Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Wootton and Mr. Dunn for pitching in to help with necessary tasks.

**PARTNER AGENCY REPORTS:**

**Department of Conservation and Recreation:** *(See attached report)*

Ms. Turner reviewed her report that was previously emailed. She pointed out that cost share and technical assistance disbursement letters will be distributed by the end of the week. Ms. Turner is looking forward to working with the Piedmont SWCD.

Ms. Gordon reported the Piedmont SWCD met the "fully satisfied" criteria on the 2017/2018 operational and cost share assessments. There were no "did not fulfill" or other comments the Board would need to address. A copy will be sent to the Board for review.

Carla Bennett expressed her willingness to assist with any DCR financial/grant questions or issues that may arise.



Virginia Cooperative Extension:

Ms. Norton passed out several flyers of upcoming events including Farm & Family Day; Pesticide Collection; and Forage Field Day.

Mr. Wootton reported that the VA Forage & Grassland Council has been working with NRCS, VACDE and VCE to provide a 2 day grazing school specifically for District, NRCS & VCE staff. The training is being supported by a SARE grant and is scheduled for October 2 and 3.

Natural Resources Conservation Service: (No report)

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

**ATTACHED REPORTS:**

Conservation Report; Staff Report; DCR CDC Report

Submitted By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deanna Fehrer, Piedmont SWCD Staff

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Charles Arnason, Director / Secretary