

# MINUTES

## CULPEPER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

### BOARD MEETING PVCC Stanardsville, Virginia 22973 February 5th, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lynn Graves at 9:39 A.M.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Lynn Graves, Madison County  
Philip Morris, Greene County  
Robert Bradford, Orange County  
Robert Brame, Orange County  
Tom O'Halloran, Culpeper County  
Robert Runkle, Greene County  
Monira Rifaat, Rappahannock County  
Brad Jarvis, Madison County, Virginia Cooperative Extension,  
Associate Director  
Andrew Campbell, Culpeper County  
Mike Biniek, Rappahannock County

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** Jim Byrne, Madison County Associate Director  
Warren Lee, Orange County, Associate Director  
Steve Morris, Greene County Director, At Large  
Sarah Sharpe, Virginia Cooperative Extension, Greene County  
Steve Hill, Madison County

**STAFF PRESENT:** Greg Wichelns, District Manager  
JoAnn Neal, Administrative Secretary  
Henny Calloway, Conservation Specialist  
Richard Jacobs, Conservation Specialist  
Kendall Dellinger, Conservation Specialist

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Debbie Cross, DCR, CDC  
Rex Rexrode, NRCS District Conservationist

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER, MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
L. Graves welcomed everyone to Greene County. Following a moment of silence, Richard Jacobs led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were two handouts: Technical Committee Report Addendum, and the DCR Monthly Report.
- 2) **DRAFT MINUTES**  
L. Graves called for approval of the substance of the January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 Draft Board Meeting Minutes and for any substantive corrections or additions. P. Morris moved to approve as presented. T. O'Halloran seconded the motion. (P. Morris, T. O'Halloran, unanimous)
- 3) **AGENDA APPROVAL**  
L. Graves called for Agenda approval. R. Bradford requested the Technical Committee Report be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Agenda as 5.1. M. Rifaat requested the

Legislative Committee Report be added to the Consent Agenda. G. Wichelns requested the Operations Report be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Agenda as 5.2. R. Runkle moved to approve the Agenda as amended. T. O'Halloran seconded the motion. (R. Runkle, T. O'Halloran, unanimous)

**4) CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent Agenda approved as modified.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDUCATION  
LEGISLATIVE  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
RMP-07-18-0003 Culpeper County

NRCS CONSERVATION PLANS –NONE

**5) ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**5.1) TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT –**

*Items in italics were added at the February 5, 2019 Board Meeting*

1) The following BMP applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding. All applications were thoroughly screened for compliance with Priority Recruitment Guidelines. All met at least two of the priority criteria.

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Tax Credit</u>
CCI-SE1	2019 VACS	Robert Ashcom	07-19-0064	311866	Culpeper	\$ 8,728.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2019 VACS	Thomas Clark	07-19-0364	331929	Culpeper	\$ 2,112.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2019 VACS	Joseph Gray	07-19-0365	331930	Culpeper	\$ 5,740.80	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2019 CB VACS	Heavenly Acres Farm	07-19-0325	332133	Greene	\$ 789.20	\$ 0.00
SL-1	2019 VACS	Locust Dale Enterprises LLC	07-19-0379	332032	Madison	\$ 5,062.50	\$ 0.00
SL-9	2019 VACS	Susan Pooton	07-19-0386	332108	Madison	\$ 2,355.45	\$ 588.86
LE-1T	Upper Hazel Ag.	Susan Pooton	07-19-0385	332109	Madison	\$ 7,494.88	\$ 330.66
<i>SL-6</i>	<i>2019 VACS</i>	<i>Randy Henshaw*</i>	<i>07-19-0146</i>	<i>319086</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 1,080.00</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>SL-9</i>	<i>2019 VACS</i>	<i>JoAnne Walser</i>	<i>07-19-0241</i>	<i>332374</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 7,361.25</i>	<i>\$1,840.31</i>

*\*Increase for RCPP contract, enlarged heavy use area.*

2) The following BMP participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Tax Credit</u>
CCI-SE1	2019 VACS	Robert Ashcom	07-19-0064	311866	Culpeper	\$ 8,728.00	\$ 0.00
SL-6	2018 VACS	Lyndon Pittinger*	07-18-0772	306526	Rappahannock	\$ 6,626.80	\$ 414.17

*\*Increase due to additional pipeline and installation of junction box for water trough.*

3) The following WQIF Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Megan Sodano	07-19-0382	332092	Orange	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	David Yauch	07-19-0381	332091	Culpeper	\$ 150.00
<i>RB-3R</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Stefanie Gustavus</i>	<i>07-19-0413</i>	<i>332228</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 1,000.00</i>
<i>RB-3R</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Simon Fiscus</i>	<i>07-19-0424</i>	<i>332384</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 1,000.00</i>
<i>RB-4</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Stephanie McDonald</i>	<i>07-19-0203</i>	<i>328922</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 4,000.00</i>

<i>RB-3R</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Charles Lowman</i>	<i>07-19-0415</i>	<i>332234</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 1,000.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Sharon Dennis</i>	<i>07-19-0416</i>	<i>332239</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 240.00</i>
<i>RB-3R</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Alvin Pettitt</i>	<i>07-19-0419</i>	<i>332258</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 1,000.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Brynn Welch</i>	<i>07-19-0374</i>	<i>331990</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 195.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Maria Okolita</i>	<i>07-19-0422</i>	<i>332334</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 165.00</i>
<i>RB-3R</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Rebekah Corcoran</i>	<i>07-19-0423</i>	<i>332335</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 1,000.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Otis Wharton</i>	<i>07-19-0426</i>	<i>332395</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 190.00</i>

4) The following Upper Rapidan Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ16678	Gwendoline Degardin	07-19-0392	332146	Madison	\$ 150.00
RB-3R	DEQ16678	Timothy Walls	07-19-0389	332142	Madison	\$ 1,000.00
RB-3R	DEQ 16678	Virginia Rockwell	07-19-0351	331906	Orange	\$ 1,000.00
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQFY16RFA</i>	<i>Samuels Living Trust</i>	<i>07-19-0421</i>	<i>332291</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 150.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQFY16RFA</i>	<i>Samuel Taylor</i>	<i>07-19-0396</i>	<i>332151</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 150.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQFY16RFA</i>	<i>Samuel Taylor</i>	<i>07-19-0396</i>	<i>332153</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 150.00</i>
<i>RB-3</i>	<i>DEQFY16RFA</i>	<i>Dana Lohr</i>	<i>07-19-0390</i>	<i>332143</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 2,500.00</i>

5) The following Robinson River Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ16679	Robert Stowe	07-19-0380	332084	Madison	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16679	Gail Wyatt	07-19-0388	332141	Madison	\$ 150.00
<i>RB-3R</i>	<i>DEQ16679</i>	<i>John Gaffney</i>	<i>07-19-0428</i>	<i>332399</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 1,000.00</i>
<i>RB-3</i>	<i>DEQ16679</i>	<i>James Adkins</i>	<i>07-19-0316</i>	<i>331804</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 2,500.00</i>

6) The following Upper Hazel Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-3R	DEQ16546	Timothy Nolan	07-19-0362	332035	Rappahannock	\$ 1,000.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Edward Dolnick	07-19-0383	332105	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Bryant Welch	07-19-0384	332106	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Robert Franklin	07-19-0408	332191	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00
RB-3R	DEQ16546	Noel Mueller	07-19-0397	332152	Culpeper	\$ 1,000.00
<i>RB-3R</i>	<i>DEQ16546</i>	<i>James Piper</i>	<i>07-19-0427</i>	<i>332398</i>	<i>Rappahannock</i>	<i>\$ 1,000.00</i>

7) The following WQIF Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Tammy Taylor	07-19-0259	331000	Culpeper	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Sylvia Kennedy	07-19-0262	331003	Culpeper	\$ 195.00
RB-3R	DEQNPSWQIF	Kevin Rivenburg	07-19-0254	331909	Culpeper	\$ 325.00
RB-3R	DEQNPSWQIF	James Taylor	07-18-0596	305013	Orange	\$ 762.50
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	William Graham	07-18-0670	305568	Madison	\$ 150.00
RB-3	DEQNPSWQIF	Michael Taylor	07-19-0207	330064	Madison	\$ 1,500.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	George Myers	07-18-0558	304626	Orange	\$ 150.00
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Ligia C. Smith</i>	<i>07-19-0201</i>	<i>330309</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Grace E. Clark</i>	<i>07-19-0246</i>	<i>330922</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 240.00</i>
<i>RB-3R</i>	<i>DEQNPSWQIF</i>	<i>Charles Jones</i>	<i>07-19-0321</i>	<i>331827</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 328.43</i>

RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Cheryl Thompson	07-19-0358	331923	Orange	\$ 150.00
RB-2	DEQNPSWQIF	Robert Laing	07-19-0335	331846	Culpeper	\$ 9,840.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Paul Tuthill	07-19-0256	330990	Culpeper	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Robert Reid	07-18-0273	301683	Orange	\$ 150.00
RB-4	DEQNPSWQIF	Robert Reid	07-18-0273	306332	Orange	\$ 2,500.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Gina Johnson	07-19-0057	311349	Madison	\$ 240.00
RB-5	DEQNPSWQIF	Chester Mummau	07-19-0124	317295	Madison	\$ 12,000.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Mildred Smithson	07-18-0708	305973	Culpeper	\$ 240.00

8) The following Upper Rapidan Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-4	DEQFY16RFA	Cynthia Napier	07-18-0447	303216	Madison	\$ 2,500.00
RB-3	DEQFY16RFA	Micah Bistel	07-19-0060	331031	Greene	\$ 1,690.00
RB-1	DEQ16678	Debra Estes	07-19-0341	331870	Greene	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQFY16RFA	Alan Mazurowski	07-19-0126	317328	Greene	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16678	Angela Michael	07-19-0324	331830	Greene	\$ 225.00

9) The following Upper York River Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ16547R	Angelia Williams-Tibbs	07-19-0040	310876	Orange	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ16547R	Mary Lee	07-18-0672	305573	Orange	\$ 220.00
RB-1	DEQ16547R	Wanda Baker	07-19-0169	326478	Orange	\$ 240.00
RB-1	DEQ16547R	Jennifer Hamilton	07-19-0158	323992	Orange	\$ 165.00
RB-1	DEQ16547R	Rebecca Bowers	07-19-0185	332125	Orange	\$ 240.00
RB-1	DEQ16547R	James May	07-19-0356	331914	Orange	\$ 240.00

10) The following Upper Hazel Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-3R	DEQ16546	Marc A. Streagle	07-19-0164	323956	Rappahannock	\$ 900.00
RB-3	DEQ16546	Susan Canby	07-19-0149	322349	Rappahannock	\$ 1,250.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Brenda E. Lindsey	07-18-0422	303006	Rappahannock	\$ 240.00

11) The following Robinson River Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ16679	Ruby Weakley	07-19-0340	331869	Madison	\$ 240.00
RB-3	DEQ16679	William Hughes	07-19-0377	331993	Culpeper	\$ 1,900.00

12) The following Upper Hazel River Residential applicants have been canceled by the Technical Committee:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ16546	Brian C. Donegan	07-18-0175	300871	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Susannah McNear	07-18-0695	305741	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Susannah McNear	07-18-0695	305742	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Melissa Corsaro	07-19-0110	314720	Culpeper	\$ 150.00
RB-3	DEQ16546	Jason Murnock	07-19-0139	317530	Culpeper	\$ 2,500.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Thomas Walker	07-18-0757	306345	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Thomas Walker	07-18-0757	306346	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQ16546	Robert Franklin	07-19-0051	311227	Rappahannock	\$ 150.00

13) The following WQIF Residential participants have been cancelled by the Technical Committee:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-3R	DEQNPSWQIF	Frank Clark	07-19-0078	313848	Culpeper	\$ 1,000.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Rebecca Hitt	07-18-0617	305355	Culpeper	\$ 150.00
RB-3R	DEQNPSWQIF	Lucy Grimm	07-19-0020	310466	Culpeper	\$ 1,000.00
RB-3R	DEQNPSWQIF	Blanca Navarrete	07-19-0049	311085	Culpeper	\$ 1,500.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Elbert Stephenson	07-19-0053	311343	Greene	\$ 150.00
RB-1	DEQNPSWQIF	Laura Stanukenas	07-18-0556	304620	Orange	\$ 150.00

14) The following Upper York River Residential participant has been canceled by the Technical Committee:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-3R	DEQ16547R	Shirley Jacobs	07-19-0103	314618	Orange	\$ 1,000.00

15) The District Manager had several dam updates:

- a. The Technical Committee was informed that several of the dams will need PE inspections this year.
- b. The District has set dates for their annual spring dam inspections, which will occur on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Beautiful Run #5 will need to have a geotechnical survey performed to assess repair options for the dam embankment.

16) The Technical Committee discussed and set dates for the producer luncheons to be held in the late winter. These will be educational sessions designed to be informative for mainly new producers who aren't familiar with District program options. The dates are as follows:

- a. Culpeper – Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>
- b. Greene – Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>
- c. Madison – Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>
- d. Orange – Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>
- e. Rappahannock – Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>

*R. Bradford moved to approve the Technical Committee report. Motion passed. The Technical Committee report was accepted by the Board for approval. R. Bradford abstained.*

## 5.2) OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT –

L. Graves reported on the Draft letter to Clyde Cristman, DCR Director on the removal of program and participant caps for the VACS program. Discussion followed. There had been conversation at the TAC Committee meeting. T. O'Halloran moved to approve the Draft letter. R. Bradford seconded the motion. (O'Halloran, R. Bradford, unanimous)

## 6) CLOSED SESSION: PERSONNEL

R. Runkle moved that the Board go into Closed Session at 10:05 A.M. as provided for in the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-3711(A) (1) to discuss personnel issues. The Associate Directors and the District Manager were invited to attend. T. O'Halloran seconded the motion. (Runkle, O'Halloran, unanimous)

Following the return from Closed Session, R. Runkle moved to reconvene at 10:20 A.M. (unanimous). Pursuant to the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-.3712. (D), "I move that the Board certify that to the best of the Board's knowledge only matters lawfully exempted and as identified in the motion by which the Closed Session was convened were heard or discussed by this Board". R. Brame seconded the motion. (Runkle, R. Brame, unanimous) R. Bradford moved to accept the recommendations from the Personnel Committee. T. O'Halloran seconded the motion. (R. Bradford, T. O'Halloran, unanimous)

## 7) DIRECTORS REPORTS

- R. Bradford reported attending the Orange County Healthy Forests Watershed Program.
- B. Jarvis reported he sent out a newsletter recently. There are new programs coming and the District will be involved in some of them. Programs as follows:
  - February 26 Beef Cattle Fescue Meeting at 5 p.m. at Bald Top Brewing Company – Madison, Registration 5 p.m., Dinner at 6 p.m., program after dinner. Must register.
  - February 14 Fruit School Graves Mountain Lodge, Registration is at 8 a.m. and there will be lunch.
  - Lawn clinics and soil testing will be coming up this fall.
- M. Biniek reported there are potential plans for 6,500 acres to be a solar farm in Stafford County. He also mentioned PEC is looking to duplicate to other CSWCD counties the Krebster Fund options in Rappahannock County. Sources of private funds are being considered. There was also discussion at the PEC meeting about branding the Piedmont (name branding for cattle operations) to improve the prices. Discussion followed. It will need some criteria to qualify.
- R. Runkle reported meeting with James Henshaw and Greg Wichelns to increase our outreach in Greene County. The staff is taking the lead to get producers interested in our cost-share programs. New outreach strategies and lunch meeting for each county during the day. The staff will include information of signup, design and implementation of our cost-share programs. Meetings coming up in counties to increase interest in are our programs as follows:
  - Culpeper County – February 27 at Peppers in Culpeper
  - Madison County – February 28 at Pig & Steak
  - Orange County – March 6<sup>th</sup> at the Silk Mill
  - Rappahannock – March 7<sup>th</sup> at the Rappahannock Fire Hall
  - Greene County -March 12<sup>th</sup> at Blue Ridge Cage
- L. Graves reported attending the Virginia Agri Business Council meeting on January 12, 2019, in Richmond. He also attended the Mid Atlantic Fruit Growers Meeting last week (3 consecutive days, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) in Hersey, PA.

## 8) STAFF REPORTS

- R. Jacobs reported the Tree Seedling Sale is approaching. Lawn Testing Clinics will be this fall. Contractor's workshop for land disturbances will be in Culpeper on April 9<sup>th</sup>. Topic – Erosion and Sediment Control, Stormwater and Wetlands and Dam Safety. Similar workshop in Greene County sometime in May, 2019. Greene County also wants to do a Stormwater Maintenance workshop in April/May and we are working out the details. Richard reported printing of the Dirt and Gravel Driveway Maintenance Brochure is complete and it will be posted on our website as a pdf. The brochures will be distributed to the planning and extension offices of each county we represent. Richard suggested a tentative date of March 25<sup>th</sup> as a possible workshop for the Driveway BMP's in Culpeper. Next Monday Richard will be working with the Master Gardeners with a class on water conservation, and roll in the VCAP program to utilize the volunteers.
- Greg reported April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> will be the District's annual dam owner's inspections. Beyond that five different dams will have engineering inspections by DCR later this year. The video inspections have been completed and the videos have been viewed by the Board and the State Engineer and NRCS Engineer. The District will seek a proposal for design and construction for slip linings on 6 of the dams and then taken to Richmond to secure funds for the project. M. Biniek asked about the magnitude of sediment buildup behind the dams. Greg reported the sediment in the wet pool is about 20% of what was initially expected. He contributed this to very significant changes in farming and forestry since the 1960's when the dams were built. The flood storage control is not changed at all since that typically is all dry storage above the normal pool. A. Campbell inquired what other maintenance needs to be done on the dams. Discussion followed.

## 9) AGENCY REPORTS

**NRCS** – Rex Rexrode reported having 40 or more program applications for contracts for the coming fiscal year. No contracts allocated or approved. The rehabilitation on Mountain Run Dam and Lake Pelham Dam is almost complete. Final grading and seeding still need to be accomplished. It will be complete this spring. The Farm Bill – we will have the same 3 basic programs:

- Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)
- Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)
- Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)

G. Wichelns stated there was a RCPP award addressing cropland options and inquired who the partner on this was. Rex stated it was the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and there are 16 applications for this program.

### DCR

D. Cross handed out certificates for Conflict of Interest Training and Freedom of Information Training. John Marshall plans to have someone from the Attorney General's office at the Area II meeting on April 3, if anyone needs to take the training. February 5<sup>th</sup> is the Virginia General Assembly crossover date. Cost share payments or tax credits may not be issued until a current nutrient management plan is on file with the SWCD.

Dates to Remember:

- Feb 23 Virginia General Assembly adjourns
- March 20, April 24, May 22 VSWCB meetings
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> Area II Spring Meeting, Fauquier Springs Country Club, JMSWCD
- April 4 VASWCD Quarterly Board Meeting ODEC Conference Room – Glen Allen
- April 25<sup>th</sup> Area I Spring Meeting hosted by Headwaters SWCD, location TBD
- April 30<sup>th</sup> Area II Envirothon, James Long Park, Haymarket, host Northern VA & Prince William SWCDs

- 10) **PLAN FOR FEBRUARY COMMITTEE MEETINGS (in Orange at the Orange Service Center)**  
**Committees** will meet on Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, Personnel 9:00, Operations 9:30, Legislative 10:00 and Technical 10:15. The Educational Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, in Madison at the Madison Extension Office at 4 p.m. **BOARD MEETING FOR MARCH WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 IN CULPEPER COUNTY AT THE VFW HALL.**

### 11) ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn the February, 2019 Board meeting at 11:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Graves, Chairman



JoAnn M. Neal  
Administrative Secretary

Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_