



South Centre Corridors Resource Conservation and Development Council

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“The mission of South Centre Corridors RC&D is to develop partnerships to advocate and promote the conservation, preservation and development of our resources to enhance the quality of life in the region.”

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Council Meeting
May 27, 2010
USDA Service Center
Courtland, VA

Members Present:

Stacey Bradshaw M L Everett Jr. Daniel Lee Jerry Skalsky
Linda Clements W D Kreider Linda McAllister

Staff: Patrick Vincent and Meredith Wilson

I. Welcome: S. Bradshaw called meeting to order at 6:39pm.

II. Secretary's Report: D. Lee asked that the location of the meeting be changed from Petersburg to Dinwiddie on the 3/31/10 minutes. D. Lee moved M. Everett seconded to accept the 3/31/10 minutes with noted changes. Motion passed.

III. Treasurer's Report: Chairman Bradshaw reviewed the Treasurer's Report. J. Skalsky moved L. Clements seconded to accept Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed. L. Clements moved D. Lee seconded to accept proposed budget for fiscal year 2010-2011. Motion passed.

IV. Chairman's Report: Report is included as part of the Minutes.

V. Coordinator's Report: Printed report included in meeting packet. VSU donated a Cellugrow garden (\$1200 value) to Woodlawn Learning Center. D. Lee moved J. Skalsky seconded to close the Local Foods Symposium project. Motion passed. L. McAllister moved D. Lee seconded to close Albemarle-Chowan Watershed Roundtable project for 2009. Motion passed. J. Skalsky moved D. Lee seconded to open Albemarle-Chowan Watershed Roundtable project for 2010. Motion passed. Mission Ministries plans to open in June. They are looking for volunteer coordinators. P. Vincent talked to Barbara Ashmore with 800am in Crewe. She is interested in featuring South Centre Corridors in a Buy Fresh Buy Local segment. The show discusses homeopathic medicine. L. Clements moved L. McAllister seconded to adopt Living in Your Watershed books as a project. Motion passed. ACWR Rivers Day will be held 7/22 in conjunction with Paul D. Camp Community College's Kids College. There will be an environmental/natural resources treasure hunt.

VI. Old Business

- A. VARC&DC Spring Meeting Update – S. Bradshaw presented the awards to Woodlawn Learning Center and Mission Ministries. These recipients will also be nominated for Southeastern Association Awards. Ray Dorsett spoke at the meeting on how RC&D is monitored. It's very important for each council to match \$1 for \$1 the money provided by NRCS each year. This year the council will exceed the match.
- B. Funding Request Update – Sussex County paid its dues recently. Dues have not been received from Southampton County yet. For next year's budget we expect Southampton County to have a 3% reduction on top of the 5% reduction from last year. Prince George County will have a 5% reduction. Final numbers will be reported at the next meeting.
- C. Bi-Annual Awards Banquet – The planning committee has not yet met.

VII. New Business

- A. Forestry Report – N. Clark not present, no report.
- B. Sponsor Appointment – As mentioned at last meeting Ronald West from Southampton County Board of Supervisors has been appointed. Dinwiddie Board of Supervisors is in the process of appointing someone to serve for them.
- C. 2010 Southeast Meeting – Included in information packet was the meeting flier. It will be held in Biloxi, MS September 22-25, 2010. We are not yet sure if the oil spill will impact the tours.
- D. BFBL National Meeting – The meeting will be held September 15-17, 2010. Attendees will have to share a room unless they have health issues. D. Lee plans to go. The Council will budget for two people to attend. P. Vincent will

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- not attend the meeting because of an All NRCS employees meeting.
- E. Council Meeting Schedule 2010-2011 – S. Bradshaw reviewed the schedule. The schedule will work around all of the Boards of Supervisors and City Council Meetings.
 - F. 2010-2011 Plan of Work/Area Plan Review – Update on the plan was included in meeting packets. P. Vincent reviewed the plan. Some of the projects (in gray) were not included in the plan initially but do fit into the Plan of Work. At the next meeting P. Vincent will present the plan of work for the next fiscal year. Please send any ideas/suggestions for projects for the next year to P. Vincent or be prepared to discuss them at the next meeting.

VIII. Additional Items

- 1. Nottoway Indian tribe received state recognition. The Council may want to consider inviting a member from the tribe to be an at-large member on the Council
- 2. J. Skalsky mentioned a college will be associated with Rolls Royce, the Commonwealth College for Manufacturing in conjunction with Virginia Tech and UVA. The school is in construction now. The Rolls Royce plant should open in another year.
- 3. The Council may consider holding meetings a Burrowsville School to highlight the progress made there. There may be opportunity in the future to partner with Burrowsville School on some projects.
- 4. A potential project could be food plots to keep deer out of gardens.
- 5. The Navy is looking at municipal airfields in Virginia and North Carolina for helicopter landings. There is no update on the OLFs.

Chairman Bradshaw adjourned the meeting at 8:01pm.

Meredithe J. Wilson, Recorder

Linda Clements, Secretary

Stacey Bradshaw, Chair