

Piedmont Conservation Council, Inc.

FINAL Full Council Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2014

Members Present: Gail Hughes (Chair, Orange), Norton Webster (Vice Chair, Chatham), Janet MacFall (Secretary, Alamance), Bill Alston (Randolph), Rudy Langley (Alamance), Millie Langley (Alamance), Alex Ashton (Guilford), Joanna Lelekacs (Orange), Frank Green (Rockingham), Hazel Puckett (Rockingham), Eddie Culberson (Durham), Brian Grogan (Rockingham)

Staff Present: Jacob Leech

Guests Present: Julius George (NRCS)

Call to Order & Chairman Comments – Gail Hughes, Chairman

- I. **Approval of Minutes** from April 17, 2014 Full Council meeting unanimously approved with the addition of names to the list of attendees (M: Alston, 2: Puckett; unanimously approved).
- II. **Discussion/ Decision Items**
 - a. **Project Priorities:** Jacob reviewed the project priorities developed at the April Council meeting as a refresher.
 - b. **FY 2015 Budget:** Jacob reviewed the draft FY 2015 budget for approval. A separate line item was created for association dues and the cost of insurance was reduced to match lowered costs as projected for this year. The budget was tentatively approved until numbers were finalized for insurance. (M: MacFall, 2: M. Langley; unanimously approved)
 - c. **PM Contract:** Jacob requested a 30 day contract extension for his work until more grant notifications were released. The contract will be revisited in October. (M: Alston, 2: Ashton; unanimously approved)
 - d. **Dam Removal Recon:** Jacob reminded everyone of the request to perform initial investigations into several potential dam removal projects.
 - e. **Eno River Biodocks:** Gail described a new project opportunity that she, Terry, and Jacob were working on. The project was to install biodocks on the Eno River in Hillsborough at a new public access point. A motion was made to approve the project and search for funding (M: MacFall, 2: Lelekacs; unanimously approved).
- III. **Updates**
 - a. **Operations:** YE financials will be worked on along with annual report.
 - b. **Hines Chapel Incubator Farm:** Jacob has had no success finalizing a lease with Guilford County due to lack of communication from the county representative. Janet will contact him to see if she has more luck.
 - c. **Other updates on projects were brief due to time constraints.**
- IV. **Upcoming events/meetings**
 - a. Next Executive Board meeting is scheduled for August 5 at ACC 6:00 – 8:00 pm.

b. Next Full Council meeting is October 16 at location TBD 6:00 – 9:00 pm.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.