

Catoctin Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee

DRAFT Meeting Minutes – April 27, 2011 (4:00 - 6:00 PM)

Committee Members Present: Patti Psaris, Otto Gutenson, Anne Larson, Norma Wilson, Eleanor Adams, Nancy Beaver, David Ward

Committee Members Absent: (None)

Guests: (None)

Location: Round Hill Room, Third Floor, Loudoun Government Center, 1 Harrison St, Leesburg, VA

Call to order: 4:10 PM

Discussion

Approval of March 18, 2011 Meeting Minutes (Motion to approve with edits: Parsis; Second: Gutenson; Vote: Unanimous).

Letters of Committee Appointments: All Committee members have received letter and certificate. David Ward will check to see that all copies have been copied and scanned for the archives.

Loudoun County Board of Supervisors Resolution: A copy of the signed April 4, 2011 Resolution was distributed.

Press Release: Copies were distributed via email. Articles appeared in Leesburg2Day and Purcellville Gazette newspapers. Notices also appeared in several environmental websites.

Note of Thanks to Supporters: Anne Larson has sent via US Mail hand written notes on photo cards of creek.

Historic Reports: Otto Gutenson will request copy of the VA Tech report on Catoctin Creek from Dick Gibbons, DCR or Patrick Miller at VA Tech. Anne Larson will visit Balch Library and explore files on Catoctin Creek Committee history.

Referral Agent for Loudoun County Government: The Committee continues to inquire about the “Referral Agent” process by which the Committee may be provided the opportunity to comment on development projects that affect the scenic river. Otto Gutenson will request that Supervisor Kurtz identify the appropriate point of contact on County staff. Norma Wilson will visit Office of Mapping counter and inquire further on pending development applications. David Ward will explore how County staff conducts the automated “flagging” process with the Land Management Information System (LMIS).

Outreach and Education:

- At the next Waterford Fair, the Waterford Foundation is expanding the photo contest to include all scenic rivers in Virginia

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- A draft brochure was circulated and comments for improvement included further details on the history and specific of Catoctin Creek.
- Don Owens with Land trust of Virginia is working to include the Committee name as a supporter in an application to improve documentation of conservation easements.

Scenic River Extension: Tabled to CY 2012.

Announcements:

- Tree Planting at Lovettsville Park on April 30.
- Loudoun Watershed watch will be submitting a list of nominations of sites for stream monitoring to Virginia Dept of Environmental Quality for future stream monitoring on Catoctin Creek.

Next meeting(s):

Scheduled for May 23, 2011 from 4 to 6 PM, at Lovettsville Library.

Adjorn: 6:15 PM (Motion: Gutenson; Second: Psaris; Vote: Unanimous)