

10/4/2023

PY 2025 Animal Waste Subcommittee Meeting- Smith Room West Augusta County Service Center,
10:00-11:51

Meeting Minutes

- Quorum established and Amanda called the meeting to order at 10:00AM
- Introductions
 - Amanda Pennington, DCR-Chair – Voting Member
 - Phil Davis, DEQ-Voting Member
 - Josh Walker Proxy for Eric Paulson, VA State Dairymen’s Association-Voting Member
 - Nick Livesay, Lord Fairfax SWCD-Voting Member
 - Mark Campbell, Virginia Farm Bureau – Voting Member
 - Aaron Shull, Headwaters SWCD-Voting Member
 - Kelly Snoddy – Proxy for Kevin Dunn, Peter Francisco SWCD-Voting Member
 - Megan Dalton, Shenandoah Valley SWCD-Voting Member
 - Elizabeth Dellinger, VACDE-Voting Member
 - Kendal Dellinger, Culpeper SWCD-Voting Member
 - Ben Chester Proxy for Steve Escobar, VA Equine Council-Voting Member
 - Tanya Young, Blue Ridge SWCD-Voting Member
 - Chris Coggin, Shenandoah Valley – Non member
 - Maddison Coffey, Lord Fairfax SWCD – Non Member
 - Chris Hamilton – NRCS – Non Member
- Absent with no proxy
 - Hunter Gravatt, Hanover-Caroline SWCD-Voting Member
 - Darrell Marshall, VDACS – Voting Member
- We began by discussing items from previous meeting including CCI eligibility for VACS/Federal projects. Amanda stated the information she received from Sara Bottenfield was the same as the information David Bryan sent at inception of the CCI practices.
- We started discussing swine operations and Amanda presented information she had received from Darrell Marshall.
- Kelly Snoddy provided information on swine operations within her service area.
 - Average mortality 3%
 - Average weight 150lbs
 - Cycle 18 weeks
 - Example – 888 animals per house, 3 houses, 2.5 cycles per year – average final weight 285 lbs.
 - Composter – example – 14 bins per producer.
 - If they have an incinerator, we don’t know the amount of bins it would be equivalent to.
- Megan stated that \$250 per compost bin seems reasonable when compared to poultry operations. There was discussion on if we need to adjust the rate per AU for swine to be a reasonable amount.
- A suggestion of \$3 per AU was brought up.

- **Nick Livesay motioned to keep swine at the \$1.50/poultry/swine rate as discussed at the last meeting. Amanda Pennington seconded the motion. Unanimous Yay, 0 nay.**
- We discussed the difficulties of how to pay for loafing lots through the Animal Waste CCI projects.
- We discussed splitting out the watering system components for WP-4B's & WP-4LLs or leaving them in the same CCI practice.
- Megan and Elizabeth suggested that field people discuss with Jen and Stu what additional questions need to be in tracking to capture things.
- We added the following statement to the CCI WP-4 - For WP-4B and WP-4LL practices, the producer should receive an additional payment, per component for the loafing lots associated with the structure equal to that of the CCI-SL-6W/N, based on the buffer width. No components should be paid for twice between different CCI practices. If there is no exclusion associated with the loafing lots, participants are eligible to receive the watering system and trough payments equal to that of the CCI-SL-6 practices.
- The rates section of the CCI-WP4 explanation was word smithed to explain how to pay on the watering system and fencing components.
- **Megen Dalton motioned to accept the CCI-WP4 as drafted today (attached). Kendal Dellinger second, Unanimous Yay, 0 Nay. (Matrix Item 1a)**
- **Nick Livesey Motioned, Kendal Dellinger second, to add CCI-4C \$250 per bin for swine or equivalent bins based on mortality. Unanimous Yay, 0 Nay. (Matrix Item 1a)**
- Amanda reviewed the entire matrix.
- Ben Chester as Steve Escobar motioned to close the meeting.
- Public comment period was had.
- Meeting was closed at 11:51AM.