

**Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board
June 27, 2017
Department of Forestry, Charlottesville, Virginia**

MINUTES

TIME AND PLACE

The meeting of the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board convened at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 27th at the Virginia Department of Forestry in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Soil and Water Conservation Board Members Present

Richard A. Street, Vice-Chair
Gray Coyner
Steve Lohr
Barry L. Marten
Cindy Smith

SWCB Members Not Present

Daphne W. Jamison, Chair
C. Frank Brickhouse, Jr.
Jerry L. Ingle
Janette F. Kennedy
Clyde E. Cristman, DCR Director, Ex Officio
John A Bricker, NRCS, Ex Officio
Dr. Bobby Grisso, Virginia Cooperative Extension, Invitee

DCR Staff Present

David C. Dowling, Deputy Director of Soil and Water Conservation and Dam Safety and Floodplain Management
Darryl Glover, Director, Division of Soil and Water Conservation
Stephanie Martin, Soil and Water Conservation District Liaison
Wendy Howard Cooper, Business and Administration Manager
Michael Fletcher, Board and Constituent Services Liaison
Blair Gordon, Conservation District Coordinator

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

With five (5) members of the Board present, a quorum was established.

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Vice Chairman Street called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF GRANT FROM THE DAM SAFETY, FLOOD PREVENTION AND PROTECTION ASSISTANCE FUND

Mr. Dowling addressed a grant application for the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund. He explained that this grant application had been found incomplete and was omitted from the list of projects approved by the Board at the May meeting due to a clerical error. Staff had believed that no

application had been received. However, upon further review, the application had been included in an Internet link along with information submitted.

Upon sending the letter of denial, the applicant requested a review. Staff discovered the application had been submitted in time. Staff reviewed the application and found that it did meet the criteria for the grant.

The Dam in question was Montfaire Dam, Inventory 00004, located in Crozet, Virginia. The project cost is \$4,718.00 and the dam owner had applied for a grant of \$2,359.00.

Mr. Coyner asked if this would completely rectify the issues with the dam.

Ms. Howard Cooper replied that the grant would cover engineering costs and that there was still work to be done on the dam. The owner intends to proceed with the needed work.

Mr. Dowling advised that this was the first step. After the engineering design is developed, the dam owner is still responsible for the construction.

Mr. Dowling told the Board that the staff recommendation was to approve the grant. This would not change the May motion but would simply add this dam to the approved list.

BOARD ACTION

Mr. Lohr moved that the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board amend the Board action of May 23, 2017 and approve the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund grant application for Montfaire Dam in the amount of \$2,359.00. Mr. Coyner seconded and the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT MEETINGS

- September 26, 2017, Old Dominion Electric Cooperative, Glen Allen, Virginia
- December 6, 2017, Portsmouth Renaissance, Portsmouth, Virginia

Mr. Dowling noted that some of the agenda items for the September meeting were:

- District Director appointments and resignations.
- Soil and Water Conservation District annual assessment results.
- Possible adjustments in WQIF funding.
- Possible dam safety guidance.
- Update on DCR Engineering Job Approval Authority.

ADJOURN

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Street
Vice-Chair

Clyde E. Cristman
DCR Director