

JAMES RIVER SWCD MONTHLY MEETING  
Board of Directors Meeting  
March 5, 2009

James River Soil and Water Conservation District held its monthly board meeting on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009, at the Prince George County Human Services Building. Chairman Don Bagshaw called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. Linda McAllister opened with the invocation.

Attendees were:

*Directors:* Don Bagshaw, Margie Davis, Chris Elko, W. D. Kreider, Charles Skalsky,  
*Associates:* George Beadles  
*Staff:* Linda McAllister, Dan Lee, Bonnie Stefaniak  
*Agency Partners:* Carrie Hagin (DCR), Anthony Howell (NRCS)  
*Absent:* Scott Reiter, Mike Likins, John Kinch  
*Guests:* Patrick Vincent, South Corridors RC&D, Berkley Pritchett, Reporter, Hopewell News

**Public Comments:** None

**AGENCY REPORTS:**

**NRCS** – Anthony Howell reported the he and Dan had conducted a soils lab for students at VSU. He discussed programs for the current fiscal year and presented upcoming training opportunities.

**DCR** – Carrie Hagin -Her written report is in the packet. Highlights included: quarterly reports are due April 15<sup>th</sup>, there will be cost share program training and tracking training during May and June and a brief discussion of legislative issues. There will be additional operational funding cuts for the coming fiscal year.

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Linda McAllister presented the treasurer's report. A motion was made to accept the report. Motion made: Bill Kreider Seconded: Margie Davis Motion passed.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2009:** A motion was made to accept the minutes of the February 8<sup>th</sup> as presented. Motion made: Charles Skalsky Seconded: Margie Davis Motion passed

**Report on Area III Spring Meeting:** Linda McAllister distributed the information that has been prepared for the Area III meeting, including registration information, cost estimates and donation status. All information was reviewed and discussed. The meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2009 at The Country Club of Petersburg.

**Cost Share:** No new applications. Dan discussed the status of interest in our programs and the current availability of funding.

**Scholarship Information:** A letter has been submitted to Virginia FFA Foundation, Inc. defining the requirements for an applicant for the District . We will be providing two scholarships, one for a student in each of the counties we serve.

**Rain Barrel Workshops:** Workshops are scheduled during March for Chesterfield County. The district will partner with South Centre Corridors RC&D on two workshops in Prince George County. They are scheduled for April 14<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup>,2009.

**DISTRICT REPORTS:**

**Committee Reports**

**Agriculture:** No report

**Finance:** No report

**Personnel:** No report

**Strategic Planning:** The Strategic Plan will be prepared after July 1, 2009.

**Nominating Committee:** No report

**Staff:** Staff reports are in the packets.

**Directors:**

- Chris Elko will arrange a meeting at the Country Club to conclude planning of the Area III meeting.
- Bill Kreider discussed the Farmer's Focus meeting and complimented the speaker.
- Don recognized the reporter from the Hopewell News. He discussed some of the developments in Extension Leadership. He discussed a program that is being done by an Area III District that involves battery recycling and he is supportive of this program.
- George Beadles has been appointed to the Ag and Forestry Committee in Chesterfield County. His first meeting will be March 10, 2009.

Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn. Motion made: Charles Skalsky

Seconded: Bill Kreider Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda McAllister  
District Administrator

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Don Bagshaw, Chairman

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