



CALVERT COUNTY FOREST CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD

Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chair *Charles Gustin, Vice-Chair* *Dawn Balinski, Treasurer* *David Hardy*
Kenneth Johnston *Jill Lee* *Lisa Oswald*

The Calvert County Forest Conservancy District Board met on Wednesday October 12, 2022 at the Phillips House in Prince Frederick, MD. Dawn Balinski, Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chuck Gustin, Jill Lee, Kenneth Johnston and Brian Stupak attended. Guests included Amalia Pleake-Tamm, Addison Fortenbery and her father, John Fortenbery. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chairperson.

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance - \$6,535.00
- Expenses
 - \$125 – NRCC Activity fee reimbursement - A. Fortenbery
- Income
 - \$3,100 – FY 23 County grant funding
- Grant – the FY 24 County grant is due in November. Brian will submit the application.

Old Business

- Tidewater school planting – Brian will contact school to conduct a tree survival survey and coordinate with school staff to schedule the fall tree planting.
- RC&D vacancy – Calvert still has a vacant seat on the RC&D board. Dawn has expressed an interest in serving on the board.

New Business

- NRCC student report – The board received a report on NRCC from Addison Fortenbery. Overall the report was positive and Addison had some thoughtful suggestions for improving the camp.
- Website future – Chuck Gustin will be retiring from the Board in the near future and moving to Caroline County. The board website will need a new administrator and our current hosting service is changing the servers to Microsoft 365, which requires an annual subscription to use. The Board is considering using services from the MAFCB to migrate our content to a new website and hosting service. The board is also considering the need to continue having a website, since traffic volume has decreased significantly.
- Sierra Club planting – The Sierra Club will be planting trees at the Solomons Town Park on 10/14/22 provided through a MUCFC grant approved by the Board.
- Forestry Board membership – The meeting was attended by Amalia Pleake-Tamm, the new Environmental Planner for Calvert P&Z. Amalia is a Calvert Co. native and is interested in learning more about the Board. At this time she does not wish to apply for board membership, but may be interested in the future.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next regular meeting will be November 9, 2022 at the Phillips House in Prince Frederick. **The meeting will start at 6:00pm.**