



Garrett County Forest Conservancy District Board

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Minutes of the Garrett County Forest Conservancy District Board Meeting May 10, 2021

Call To Order:

The Garrett County Forestry Board met at 9:00 a.m. on Monday May 10, 2021 via Google Meet. Those Board members in attendance were: Fred Eggleston, Will Williams, Mike Kozier, Derek Buckel, Bill Buckel, and Mike Minnick. Gary Aronhalt also attended.

The agenda was approved following a few additions and a motion by Fred and 2nd by Will.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved following a motion by Fred and 2nd by Will.

The treasurer's report was given by Bill B.

Forestry Board	\$6,650.15
MUCFC	\$0
NRCC	\$2,495.26
Workshop/Ed	\$543.11
Scholarship	\$1,430.00

Since the last meeting, we awarded the \$250 scholarship to Ben Burris and received a donation from the Civic Club of Oakland toward NRCC in the amount of \$240. The treasurer's report was approved following a motion by Will and second by Derek B.

Volunteer Hours:

The Board's hours since the last meeting were as follows:

Ken – 3	Mike K – 8
Derek F. – no report	Mike M – 10
Fred – 3	Larry – no report
Will – 3	Bill B. – 4
Bill A. – no report	Derek B. - 3
Mike F. – 1	

TOTAL: 35 hrs.

OLD BUSINESS:

NRCC

All 3 of our NRCC applicants have been accepted. The Association has offered tuition assistance for 1 student. We will tentatively recognize students at the June meeting.

Hickory Planting

All trees have been caged and mulched. They are continuing to install the numbered posts.

Chestnuts

Melissa reported that all 6 trees at Swan Meadow are in good condition. The American Chestnut Foundation will be planting 20 additional trees at the SRSF orchard later this month.

Scholarship

Melissa read a thank you card received from Ben Burris.

Deep Creek Lake Watershed Foundation

Mike M. appointed a committee to work on the small properties project. Mike, Melissa, Derek B. & Bill B. will serve on the committee. Melissa will send an email to set up a meeting with the watershed foundation & Extension.

Fair/Autumn Glory

Photo judging will tentatively be August 1st, the French Fry booth tentatively August 3rd. We will try to staff a booth Thursday, Friday from 3-9 & Saturday from 12-9. This will all be pending COVID guidelines at the time. A raffle will be tabled until at least Autumn Glory.

Legislative Update

Mike M. gave an update of forestry related bills from this session.

NEW BUSINESS:

Watershed Update

Melissa will re-send the information for the Brunch & Learn.

Ken has stepped down from the EAC. Mike F. will replace him. Gary thanked Ken for his contributions.

Mountain Loggers

Next meeting is May 11th.

Envirothon

The Southern "Stoneflies" team placed 4th overall in the state! Melissa made a motion to purchase field guides for members of the winning team. The motion was 2nd by Will and passed. Melisa will take care of ordering them.

Memberships

Wayne & Glenne have stepped down from the board to devote more time to their

business and family. They have said they may still be willing to volunteer from time to time.

Melissa shared the new member certificate received for Derek B. & the reappointment certificate for Bill A.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be June 7th at 9am. We will tentatively plan on a blended meeting, at the Accident Town West Pavilion. You will have the option to attend in person or call-in via the Google meeting.

Melissa Nash
Secretary

Upcoming Dates

June 7th – Next regular meeting
July 12th – Regular meeting
July 25-31 – NRCC
July 30 – Serve as landowners for NRCC
July 31-Aug 7 – Garrett County Fair