

# Peaks of Otter Soil & Water Conservation District

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September 12, 2013

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Richard Chaffin, Tommy Watson, Corey Crompton, Scott Baker, Roger Bollinger, Gary Reynolds

**ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS:** Keith Tuck, Denzil Barker, Todd Kready, Bob Dixon

**OTHERS:** Jessie Howard, Kelley Jenkins, Shelby Trail, Billy Wayne Turner, Scarlet Reel, Denny McCarthy, Jeremy Falkenau, Terri Bollinger, Gavin Sanderlin, E. B. Watson, Mark Hollberg

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

**MINUTES:** The minutes were circulated prior to the meeting. Mr. Reynolds did not agree that the minutes were reflective of the meeting and distributed Code of Virginia information on content of meeting minutes and examples from a number of other government meetings. After much discussion, the Board agreed to review suggested language changes based on electronic submissions by Mr. Reynolds.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report was circulated prior to the meeting. No corrections were presented so the report was filed for audit.

**DCR:** *Mark Hollberg submitted a written report.*

**NRCS:** *Jessie Howard submitted:*

>Motion by Corey Crompton to approve the conservation plans for Merrifield Farms, Godsey and Ransome for their CREP projects. Tommy Watson seconded and the motion carried.

**VCE:** *Scott Baker reported:*

>Beth Hause is the new extension agent in the Bedford office.

>Thank you to the District staff for their participation with the Farm Tour and all the hard work organizing the Pasture Walk.

**VDOF:** *Denny McCarthy reported:*

>Introduction of new county forester, Jeremy Falkenau.

**FSA:** *Shelby Trail reported on agency activities.*

**SWCD:** *E. B. Watson reported:*

>Motion by Corey Crompton to approve the following projects. Tommy Watson seconded and the motion carried.

Name	Practice	Score	Outside Chesapeake Bay	Chesapeake Bay	OCB CREP	Tax Credit	Conservation Plan
Sandra Ransome	CCI-SE-1	85	\$2,050.00				Approve
Sandra Ransome	SL-7	85	\$7,637.00			\$636.42	Approve

>Motion by Corey Crompton to approve the following tax credits. Roger Bollinger seconded and the motion carried.

Name	Practice	Score	OCB	Chesapeake Bay	OCB CREP	Tax Credit
Donald Campbell	CRSL-6				\$3,412.50	\$2,988.75
Donald Campbell	CP-22				\$405.00	
Donald Campbell	CRFR-3				\$3,118.50	
Merrifield Farms (Lee Hereford)	CRSL-6				\$9,600.00	\$4,120.54
Merrifield Farms (Lee Hereford)	CP-22				\$1,222.50	
Merrifield Farms (Lee Hereford)	CRFR-3				\$6,683.00	
Sandra Ransome	CRSL-6				\$11,784.00	\$1,672.59
Sandra Ransome	CP-22				\$60.00	
Sandra Ransome	CRFR-3				\$492.00	
Calvin Godsey	CRSL-6				\$8,259.38	\$2,853.82
Calvin Godsey	CP-22				\$110.00	
Calvin Godsey	CRFR-3				\$902.00	
Calvin Godsey	CRSL-6				\$10,800.00	\$3,365.54
Calvin Godsey	CP-22				\$275.00	
Calvin Godsey	CRFR-3				\$2,117.50	

>Motion by Tommy Watson to offer Turner Dairy the opportunity to apply for cover crop tax credit since they missed the filing deadline. Corey Crompton seconded and the motion carried.

**COMMITTEES:**

**Operations A:** Recommendation from the committee to accept the newly worded MOU for staff writing NMP's as independent contractors dated September 12, 2013 and presented in the policy manual. The recommendation was approved after lengthy debate about use of the printer/copier by staff, with one nay (Reynolds).

**Operations B:** Motion by Scott Baker to request the TAC committee consider making the NM-1A practice eligible for state tax credit. Tommy Watson seconded and the motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

>Motion by Roger Bollinger to nominate Glen Witt for the Clean Water Farm Award. Corey Crompton seconded and the motion carried.

>November Board meeting will be held at Liberty Station to honor our Clean Water Farm Award recipient.

With the agreement of all members of the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.

**NEXT MEETING:** will be Thursday, October 10, 2013 at **Town of Bedford Operations Center at 877 Monroe Street**. We will eat at 5:30pm and the meeting will begin at 6:00pm.

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Chairman

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Secretary