



CALVERT COUNTY FOREST CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD

Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chair *Jill Lee, Vice Chair* *Dawn Balinski, Treasurer* *David Campbell*
Kenneth Johnston *Amalia Pleake-Tamm* *Steve Stadelman*

The Calvert County Forest Conservancy District Board met on Wednesday, February 12, 2025, remotely. Members in attendance included Dawn Balinski, Steve Stadelman, Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Jill Lee, David Campbell and Brian Stupak. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chairperson.

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance - \$3,208.00
- Expenditures - \$131.50 for ADPC prizes.

Old Business

- Website update – Corrections and edits were sent to the web designer but were not implemented according to the Board's vision. Steve spent some time with the website designer, giving him some guidance. The website should go live in 1-2 weeks.
- Big Tree Program – Autumn worked with the State Big Tree Committee to reduce the number of trees to be remeasured down to 9. Permission has been obtained to remeasure 8 of the 9 of the trees. Remeasurements will take place this spring.
- Annual financial disclosure – Need to be completed by April 30, 2025. Five members have completed their disclosures.
- 2025 seminar event – The board discussed holding either a prescribed burn tour/seminar or an invasive ID tour at ACLT in September. The board decided on the invasive ID tour.

New Business

- Envirothon T-shirts – Brian reported to the Board that the number of students has increased from 45 to 72 students in 2025. This will exceed the budget for the Envirothon. The Board approved (7-0) the purchase of the t-shirts so long as the cost per shirt does not increase substantially. If the shirt prices increase substantially, Brian will notify the Board prior to purchase so they can ensure there are sufficient funds to cover the increased cost.
- Tree removal (Solomons) – Dawn brought up a local issue regarding the removal of individual trees within the Critical Area and whether the Board has any responsibility to approve such removals. Brian confirmed that the Forestry Boards only have the authority to review Critical Area timber harvests.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm. The next regular meeting will be March 12, 2025, at the Phillips House in Prince Frederick, MD. **The meeting will start at 6:00pm.**