

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, April 9, 2025, at the American Chestnut Land Trust (ACLT) office in Prince Frederick, MD. Members in attendance included Steve Stadelman, Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Jill Lee, David Campbell, Amalia Pleake-Tamm and Brian Stupak. Guests included Joesph Ellis, Joshua Ellis & Leslie Ellis. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chairperson.

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance \$1,900.00
- Expenditures
 - o \$65.96 Envirothon prizes (tree ID books)
 - o \$450.00 Arbor Day Poster Contest gift cards

Old Business

- Big Tree Program 9 trees remeasured. 2 new trees measured. 3 trees remain to be remeasured.
- Envirothon Event held on 4/8/25. Autumn & Dave proctored the forestry tests. The board is considering changing the prizes for next year.
- Website update No progress since last meeting.

New Business

- NRCC The Board interviewed Joesph Ellis, a junior at Huntingtown High School. Joe has a great interest in outdoor and environmental activities and is interested in a career in natural resources. The Board approved his application.
- Forestry Board reorganization The Board revisited the reorganization proposal and discussed suggestions to submit to the Forest Service. They questioned why each regional board has the same number of members and not just one member per county. The Board will submit any questions in the near future.
- Membership resignation & re-appointment Autumn submitted both a resignation letter and application to rejoin the Board. Autumn owns and operates an environmental management company, and this will allow her to file an exemption disclosure form so that she can accept state contracts for environmental work without violating any ethics laws. The Board accepted her resignation and approved her membership application with a 4-0 vote.
- Arbor Day Poster Contest The Board judged the annual Calvert Co. ADPC. The Best In County went to Ilyanna Pickle from Sunderland ES and the Best Class in the County went to Ms. Jeffries' class, also from Sunderland ES.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next regular meeting will be May 14, 2025, at the Phillips House in Prince Frederick, MD. **The meeting will start at 6:00pm.**