



CALVERT COUNTY FOREST CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD

Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chair *Jill Lee, Vice Chair*

Dawn Balinski, Treasurer *David Campbell*

Kenneth Johnston

Amalia Pleake-Tamm

The Calvert County Forest Conservancy District Board met on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at the Phillips House in Prince Frederick, MD. Members in attendance included Dawn Balinski, Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Amalia Pleake-Tamm, 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 - \$3,772.00
- Expenditures
 - \$150.00 for ACLT membership
- Future funding increase options
 - The Board discussed several options to increase their budget for FY27.
 - Request an increase of \$400.00 from the Calvert County government in the FY27 grant request.
 - Solicit donations from local organizations & businesses in the county for a one time donation.
 - Revenue request from the MD Forest Service/Association of MD Forestry Boards.
 - Amalia will set up a meeting with county treasury officials to discuss the chances of a funding increase.

Old Business

- Website update – No progress since last meeting. Dawn will get a list of corrections requested from Steve. The Board will jointly review the site and update the list of corrections. Once done, Dawn will reach out to the web designer.
- Fall Event –The Board discussed screening a MPT video on the MD Big Tree Program for the public at the Prince Frederick Library later this fall/winter. The board is still waiting to preview the video. A possible date of November 10, 2025 was suggested.

New Business

- December meeting location – The Board selected the Ruddy Duck restaurant in Lusby for the location of its December meeting.
- Big Tree nomination – A southern red oak was nominated as a potential Big Tree. Brian & Dave will measure the tree on 10/17/25.
- Envirothon shirts – The cost for the Envirothon shirts is estimated to cost between \$900-1,120 for the 2026 competition. This may exceed the \$1,100 budgeted for the expense. The board discussed options to make up the potential shortfall.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm. The next regular meeting will be November 12, 2025, at the Phillips House in Prince Frederick, MD. **The meeting will start at 6:00pm.**