

CALVERT COUNTY FOREST CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD

Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chair

Charles Gustin, Vice-Chair

Dawn Balinski, Treasurer

David Hardy

Kenneth Johnston

Jill Lee

Lisa Oswald

The Calvert County Forest Conservancy District Board met on Wednesday January 12, 2022 at the Phillips House in Prince Frederick, MD. Chuck Gustin, Dawn Balinski, Autumn Phillips-Lewis and Brian Stupak attended in person; Ken Johnston attended via phone. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Autumn Phillips-Lewis, Chairperson.

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance \$5,761.00
- Expenses
 - o \$210.94 for web hosting services
 - o \$199.20 for winter meeting dinner

Old Business

• Tidewater School planting update—Brian updated the Board on the Tidewater planting. Planting will take place in spring or fall 2022 depending on scheduling.

New Business

- MD Big Tree Program Dawn presented a request from the MD Big Tree Committee for donations to help fund their Big Tree remeasurement efforts. Funding would go towards mileage reimbursement, postage & office supplies, website hosting fees and equipment purchases. The donation request is meant to fill in a funding delay from the regular MUCFC grant that normally funds these activities. The Board voted 3-1 (Yea- Autumn, Dawn & Ken, Nay- Chuck) to donate \$250.00 to the Committee with the understanding that this is a one-time donation.
- Ethics filings Brian reminded the Board that 2021 ethics filings are due by April 30, 2022.
- Arbor Day Poster Contest The Board discussed the ADPC for 2022. Since Calvert schools are all back in class, the contest can be resumed. Brian will confirm this with CHESPAX as well as Battle Creek Nature Center for use of its facilities.
- Envirothon tools The purchase of Envirothon tools was discussed. The Board will see if the Calvert Environmental Trust for Youth (CETY) can fund the purchase.
- NRCC The Board discussed advertising options for the program and decided that paper brochures were not very effective and that teachers and word of mouth was the best way to attract candidates.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm. The next regular meeting will be February 9, 2022 at the Phillips House in Prince Frederick. **The meeting will start at 6:00pm.**