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Minutes of the November 19, 2019 Meeting Eastern Shore of Virginia Ground Water Committee

The meeting of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Ground Water Committee was held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 in the A-NPDC Conference Room of the Enterprise Building in Accomac, Virginia.

Members Present:

Daniel Hershey
Elaine Meil
Eugene R. Hampton
Grayson Chesser
John Coker, Chairman
Paul Muhly, Vice Chairman
Taylor Dukes
Jim Belote

Members Absent:

John Salm
Charles Kolakowski
Michael Mason

Others Present:

Bill Savage, ESSWCD
Nick Thomas, ESSWCD
Sue Mastyl, Clean Water Council
Joseph Betit, Accomack County Resident

Britt McMillan, ARCADIS



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1. Call to Order

Chairman Coker called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

2. Public Comment

Sue Mastyl spoke and requested that “public participation” should be changed to “public comment.” The Chairmen and Commission discussed and changed by consensus.

3. Review of the October 15, 2019 Minutes

The draft minutes of the August 20th, 2019 meeting were presented.

Vice Chairman Muhly moved to approve the Minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting. The motion, seconded by Committee Member Hampton, carried unanimously.

4. FY 2019 Financial Status Report

The FY 2019 Financial Status Report was presented.

Committee Member Hershey moved to approve the FY 2020 Financial Status Report. The motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Muhly, carried unanimously.

Discussion concerning county funding for the groundwater committee was discussed. 10% would be \$4, 760. Committee discussed the Executive Director to determine which line items would be increased. They recommended the Ground Water Consultant would be reviewed.

Vice Chairman Muhly moved to submit a budget request to each county for no more than 10% more than current funding. The motion, seconded by Committee Member Hampton, carried unanimously.

5. Staff Update

The following staff updates were presented:

Committee Attendance Record

The FY2020 Committee Attendance Record was presented.

Other Items

SB1599 Representation

NOIRA for SB1599 for the General Permit use of the Surficial Aquifer on the Eastern Shore may have a meeting prior to the 2020 General Assembly and reconvene following GA conclusion.

Discussion ensued.



Committee Member Belote moved to recommend the eight voting members be recommended to DEQ. Seconded by Committee Member Hershey, the motion passed unanimously. Committee Member Belote agreed to amend adding Britt Mcmillan to the list. Committee Member Hershey agreed and the amended motion was passed unanimously.

The committee discussed the following six comments for 9VAC25-910 & 9VAC25-610 Notice of Intended Regulatory Action.

1. Wells with a depth or 80' or less should be considered Columbia wells and regulated under the general permit. This depth would describe the Columbia in most areas of the Eastern Shore.
2. Applicants should estimate the withdrawal amount for mitigation purposes. The justification of this request should be kept as simple as possible. The committee requests the justification be applicant declaration.
3. The permit term should be 15 years or 30 years. The Committee prefers 15 years.
4. The Committee requests DEQ to establish one general permit reporting schedule for all applicants based on a quarterly meter reading. The general permit should include an election for the applicants to receive prompts from DEQ by email or mail. Applicants should be prompted by DEQ on a quarterly basis to read their meters and receive DEQ follow up when applicants fail to report back. No other reporting should be required.
5. An automated technical evaluation should be completed by DEQ based on a latitude and longitude description of the well.
6. The general permit shall be issued upon completion of the application within 60 days.

Member Muhly made the motion. Seconded by Member Hershey the motion passed unanimously.

6. Ground Water Consultant Report

The RFP for the Committee Consultant was published September 12th and closed September 27th. The only proposal received was from Arcadis Design and Consultancy.

Committee Member Taylor moved to give the A-NPDC Executive Director permission to execute the contract retroactive to October 1, 2019 for 3 years through September 30, 2022,



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renewable for 2 additional 1-year terms. The motion, seconded by Committee Member Hershey, carried unanimously.

HB2322 Update – Onsite sewage treatment systems; VDH shall develop a plan for oversight and enforcement. <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?191+sum+HB2322>. No update.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection - VDH Wellhead Protection Grant

The Facility opened Wednesday November 6th. It is open weekly Wednesday and Saturday 10am to 2pm. There is a need for the educational brochures, which the A-NPDC is working towards, and for a small building that would offer Convenience Center and their sorting area shelter from cold and rain.

7. Other Matters:

None

8. Schedule Next Meeting & Adjournment

The next Committee meeting was scheduled for January 21st, 2019 at 10:00 AM in the A-NPDC Conference Room of the Enterprise Building in Accomac.

Chairman Coker adjourned the meeting at 11:55 AM.

John Coker, Chairman

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Elaine K. N. Meil, Secretary