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Minutes of the February 18th, 2020 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, February 18th, 2020 in the A-NPDC Conference Room of the Enterprise Building in Accomac, Virginia.

Members Present:

Daniel Hershey
John Coker, Chairman
Paul Muhly, Vice Chairman
Jim Belote
Eugene R. Hampton
Jackie Phillips
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Members Absent:

John Salm
Charles Kolakowski
Michael Mason

Others Present:

Jessica Steelman, A-NPDC
Randy McFarland, USGS
Nick Thomas, ESSWCD
Sue Mastyl, Clean Water Council
Joseph Betit, Accomack County Resident
Grayson Chesser, Accomack County Resident
Ken Dufty, Exmore Resident
Sandra Beerends, Accomack County Resident
Joe Grist, DEQ-OWS
Scott Bruce, DEQ-OWS
Britt McMillan, ARCADIS
Sam Caldwell, USGS
Richard Snyder, VIMS
Curtis Consolvo, Geo-Resources, Inc.



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1. Call to Order

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

2. Public Comment

Ken Dufty read letter to the Board.

3. Review of the November 19, 2019 Minutes

The draft minutes of the November 19th, 2019 meeting were presented.

Vice Chairman Muhly moved to approve the Minutes of the November 19, 2019 meeting. The motion, seconded by Committee Member Hershey, carried unanimously.

4. FY 2020 Financial Status Report

The FY 2020 Financial Status Report was presented.

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

5. Staff Update

The following staff updates were presented:

Public Nomination for 2019 Ground Water Award

The previous recipients were presented. Discussion ensued to bring back last year's award. A possible recipient may be Bob Meyers; any other suggestions for possible 2019 recipient to be communicated to A-NPDC Coastal Planner, Jessica Steelman.

Committee Attendance Record

The FY2020 Committee Attendance Record was presented.

Environmental Reviews and Permits

No Updates.

Other Items

Eastern Shore Framework Report – Randy McFarland presented the USGS Hydrogeologic Framework of the Virginia Eastern Shore report.

USGS – Samuel Caldwell presented the Hydrogeophysics Branch of the USGS call for proposals for the use of their Time-Domain Electromagnetic (TDEM) imaging system to support existing USGS project work.

Regulatory Advisory Panel – List of panel members was presented; tentative schedule of RAP meetings was presented.



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Poultry Facility Withdrawal Permits – State Water Control Board approved 45 permit applications under CO during December meeting, the Board expanded the special condition for surficial aquafer testing to all permits.

2020 General Assembly Legislation to Follow – Staff provided an update on a variety of House and Senate bills related to groundwater.

7. Other Matters:

Five new poultry facility withdrawal permits were presented, discussion ensued and staff were directed to send a letter on behalf of the committee supporting the special conditions as mandated by the State Water Control Board for the previous 45 permits contained in the CO, requiring testing the surficial aquifer, and using if adequate yield, prior to permitting use of the confined aquifers.

8. Schedule Next Meeting & Adjournment

The next Committee meeting was scheduled for March 17th, 2020 at 10:00 AM in the A-NPDC Conference Room of the Enterprise Building in Accomac.

Chairman Coker adjourned the meeting at 12:00 PM.

John Coker, Chairman

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Elaine K. N. Meil, Secretary