

FINAL Wildlife, Boat, and Law Enforcement Committee  
7870 Villa Park Drive –Board Room  
Henrico, VA 23228

October 18, 2017

**Present:** Ms. Nicole Butterworth, Acting Chairwoman, Mr. Ryan Brown. **Absent:** Mr. Douglas Dear and Mr. Watkins Abbitt; **Board Members:** Ms. Catherine Claiborne, Mr. Brian Ball, Mr. Leon Boyd; **Executive Director:** Mr. Robert W. “Bob” Duncan; **Senior Leadership Team:** Mr. Gary Martel, Mr. David Whitehurst, Mr. Lee Walker, Mr. Tom Guess, Dr. Gray Anderson, Mr. Darin Moore, Mr. Jeff Trollinger, Major Scott Naff, Major Bryan Young.

The Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and noted for the record that there is not a Quorum at today’s meeting. The Chairwoman welcomed staff and public in attendance to the meeting.

**Approval of the August 22, 2017 Committee Meeting Minutes:** The Chairwoman announced that the August 22, 2017 WBL committee minutes could not approved due to lack of a Quorum at today’s meeting.

**Public Comments:** The Chairwomen called for Public Comments, hearing none, moved on with the Agenda.

**Naming of the New Wildlife Management Area in Spotsylvania County:** The Chairwoman called on Mr. David Whitehurst. Mr. Whitehurst gave an update on the land purchased in Spotsylvania County and asked the Board to name the new WMA, No vote was taken because there was not a Quorum.

**The Use of Technology in Virginia’s Wildlife Management:** The Chairwoman called on Mr. Jeff Trollinger and Mr. Robert Schmidt for a presentation.

After questions and comments, the Chairwoman thanked Mr. Trollinger and Mr. Schmidt for their presentation.

**Hydrologic and Habitat Restoration of Cavalier Wildlife Management Area:** The Chairwoman called on Mr. David Norris for a presentation.

After Mr. Norris completed his presentation, he called Ms. Jenny West, Director of The Wildlife Foundation up to the podium and presented her with a handmade carving of a Woodcock for the help from The Wildlife Foundation on the Cavalier Wildlife Management Area.

After questions and comments, the Chairwoman thanked Mr. Norris for his presentation.

### **Law Update:**

Major Bryan Young reported:

- Recruits being hired
- Officers in basic instructors school
- CPO receiving Smart Phones
- Partnering with DCR
- Updating Laptop Computers to Tough Books

Major Scott Naff reported:

- Pink markings on vehicles for Blaze Pink and Breast Cancer awareness
- Officers working State Fair, 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at Green Top, Washington County Fair, Coffee with CPO's, urban archery season, dove season
- Have 2 new Canine dogs
- Partnering with the Bureau and looking at Tazers for Bears
- Reported 1 Tree Stand Death
- Reported on Boat Theft

After questions and comments, the Chairman thanked Major Naff and Major Young for their comments.

### **Bureau Update:**

Mr. Whitehurst reported on:

- Habitants Enhancements, Forest Management, Prescribe Burnings
- Open Lands and Agricultural
- Wetlands Habitat Management
- Public Private Partnership
- Aquatic Habitat Enhancement
- Elk Habitat
- Update Long Term Planning
- Land Acquisitions
- Chronic Waste Disease
- Human Health Risks

**Director's Reports:**

Mr. Duncan reported on:

- Called on Major Scott Naff who announced that Sgt. Jamie Davis was promoted to Captain
- Called on David Whitehurst to discuss the Game Replacement Values
- Announced that the Department submitted a Proclamation on Bats to the Governor's Office
- Mr. Whitehurst reported on Raccoon Field Trial Permits, new revised application effective 1/1/2018, it will be an Annual permit, no change in cost

Ms. Butterworth asked if there were any additional business or comments, hearing none, she announced the next Wildlife, Boat & Law Enforcement meeting will be on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 10:00 am and adjourned the meeting at 12:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Boswell

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