

Draft Board Meeting Minutes
Board of Wildlife Resources
Henrico Sports & Events Center
11000 Telegraph Road
Glen Allen, VA 23059

March 20, 2024
9:00 am

Present: Mr. Tom Sadler, **Chair**, Mr. Jon Cooper, **Vice Chair**; **Board Members:** Mr. Woody Woodall, Mr. John Daniel, Mr. James Edmunds, Mr. Brian Vincent, Mr. Leon Boyd, Mr. Will Wampler, Dr. Mamie Parker, Mr. George Terwilliger, Mr. Michael Formica; **Executive Director:** Mr. Ryan Brown; **Deputy Directors:** Ms. Becky Gwynn and Mr. Darin Moore; **Director's Working Group:** Mr. Bob Smet, Mr. Paul Kugelman, Colonel John Cobb, Mr. Michael Lipford

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chair noted for the record that a quorum was present.

Ms. Kelci Block, Assistant Attorney General attended the Board meeting.

Presentation: The Chair called on Mr. Mike Foreman and Ms. Chamie Valentine for the Final Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee.

Mr. Foreman and Ms. Valentine presented the Hound-Hunters & Private Landowners Stakeholder Advisory Committee Final Report, prepared by the UVA Institute for Engagement and Negotiation.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Mr. Foreman and Ms. Valentine for their explanation of the final report.

Presentation of Board Proposals: The Chair called on Mr. Cale Godfrey for the presentation of the Board Proposals.

Mr. Godfrey presented the seven (7) Board Proposals and explained each one.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Mr. Godfrey for his presentation.

Public Comments: The Chair called for Public Comments.

Speakers:

Mr. Chris Patton spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Steve Nicely spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Tim Goodbar spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Preston Gladfelter spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Jim Medeiros spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Dave Stegar spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Greg Austin spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Mac Crittenden spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Todd Grubbs spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. James Hackett spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Bill Youmans spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Kirby Burch spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Ms. Tabitha Treloar spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. David Wesolowski spoke regarding the final report and board proposals

The Chair called for a break at 11:00 am

The Chair resumed the meeting at 11:15 am

Mr. Gary Kimberlin spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Jacob Levy spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Ms. Rick Hutson spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Ms. Cheryl Waltz spoke regarding the final report and board proposals.
Mr. Judge Charlton spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Dave Blessing spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. William Easter spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. William Roark spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Kenneth Eggleston spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Edwin Wallace spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. David Williams spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Reg Cook spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Richard Tetterton spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Michael Morris spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Keith Johnson spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Taylor Cuevas spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Tim Ross spoke regarding the final report and board proposals

Mr. David Hart spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Joel Cathey spoke regarding the final report and board proposals
Mr. Andy Forbes spoke regarding the final report and board proposals

After the speakers spoke, The Chair thanked each one for their attendance and participation in this Board Meeting.

Board Discussion: The Chair called for a discussion by the Board of the seven (7) Proposals.

Board discussion was held, and each proposal was discussed and voted on separately.

Board Motion on Board Proposals 1 – 5 -

The motion for Board Proposals 1 -5 is as follows:

Mr. Chairman, I move the Board adopt the proposals associated with funding for Conservation Police Officers, enhancing CPO training and enforcement strategies, prioritizing enforcement of the prohibition against hunting out-of-season, enhancing outreach to communities, hunters, and landowners, and enhancing educational efforts as advertised in this meeting's materials and presented by staff and direct the Executive Director to move forward with implementing these proposals.

Board Proposal #1:

Motion made by Mr. Cooper, Second by Mr. Vincent

After comments and discussion, the Chair called for a voice vote.

Ayes: Woodall, Daniel, Edmunds, Cooper, Vincent, Boyd, Wampler, Sadler, Parker, Terwilliger, Formica - Nays - none

Board Proposal #2:

Motion was made by Mr. Formica, Second by Mr. Edmunds, and others.

After comments and discussion, the Chair called for a voice vote.

Ayes: Woodall, Daniel, Edmunds, Cooper, Vincent, Boyd, Wampler, Sadler, Parker, Terwilliger, Formica - Nays - none

Board Proposal #3:

Motion was made by Mr. Formica, Second by Mr. Boyd, and others.

After comments and discussion, the Chair called for a voice vote.

Ayes: Woodall, Daniel, Edmunds, Cooper, Vincent, Boyd, Wampler, Sadler, Parker, Terwilliger, Formica -Nays - none

Board Proposal #4:

Motion was made by Dr. Parker. Seconded by Mr. Wampler and others.

After comments and discussion, the Chair called for a voice vote.

Ayes: Woodall, Daniel, Edmunds, Cooper, Vincent, Boyd, Wampler, Sadler, Parker, Terwilliger, Formica - Nays - none

Board Proposal #5:

Mr. Formica made a motion to *amend* the October 31, 2024, date found in Board Proposal #5 to *August 1, 2024*, regarding bullet points #3 and # 4:

- #3 - Review and evaluate existing Hunter Education efforts and report to Board's Education, Planning, and Outreach Committee (October 31, 2024-*amended to August 1, 2024*)
- #4 - Evaluate advanced training program for Hunter Education Instructors and report to Board's Education, Planning, and Outreach Committee (October 31, 2024 -*amended to August 1, 2024*)

It was seconded Mr. Edmunds.

Ayes: Woodall, Daniel, Edmunds, Cooper, Vincent, Boyd, Wampler, Sadler, Parker, Terwilliger, Formica - Nays – none (on the amendment)

Mr. Formica made a motion to approve Board Proposal #5 with the amendment. It was seconded by Mr. Vincent.

Ayes: Woodall, Daniel, Edmunds, Cooper, Vincent, Boyd, Wampler, Sadler, Parker, Terwilliger, Formica - Nays - none

Board Proposal #6

Mr. Cooper made a motion, that the Board propose and advertise for public comment the proposal to require tracking collars for bear and deer hunting with dogs as presented by staff. It was seconded by Mr. Vincent and others.

After comments and discussion, the Chair called for a voice vote.

Ayes: Woodall, Daniel, Edmunds, Cooper, Vincent, Boyd, Wampler, Sadler, Parker, Terwilliger, Formica - Nays - none

Board Proposal #7:

Dr. Parker made a motion, that the Board propose and advertise for public comment the proposal to require reasonable efforts for bear and deer hunting with dogs presented by staff. It was seconded by Mr. Terwilliger and others.

After comments and discussion, the Chair called for a Roll Call vote by the Secretary.

The Board secretary took a roll call vote: Ayes: Edmunds, Cooper, Vincent, Boyd, Parker, Formica, Sadler - Abstentions - Daniel, Terwilliger, Wampler - Nay - Woodall

The Director made a comment that Board Proposal #6 and #7 would be advertised for 45 days, and after the 45 day public comment period, those Proposals would come back to a future Board meeting for further discussion and voting before they would be finally adopted.

Several Board members made comments following the votes.

The Chair asked if anyone had any other business to come before this meeting and hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Boswell

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