FINAL Meeting Minutes Law Enforcement Committee Board of Wildlife Resources 7870 Villa Park Drive, Board Room Richmond, Virginia 23228

> May 22, 2024 2:00 pm

(Although the March 20, 2024, Law Enforcement Committee meeting was cancelled, the Law Enforcement Committee met August 17, 2023, October 26, 2023, January 18, 2024, and May 22, 2024 in accordance with its Charter)

Present: Mr. John Daniel, Chair, Mr. Jon Cooper, and Mr. Tom Sadler; Board Members in attendance: Mr. Leon Boyd, Mr. Michael Formica; and Mr. Terwilliger Executive Director: Mr. Ryan J. Brown; Deputy Directors: Ms. Becky Gwynn and Mr. Darin Moore; Director's Working Group: Mr. Bob Smet, Mr. George Braxton, Mr. Paul Kugelman, Colonel John Cobb, Mr. Rob Lewis, Ms. Stacey Brown, Mr. Michael Lipford, Ms. Shelby Crouch

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chair noted for the record that there was a quorum present for the meeting.

<u>Meeting Minutes</u>: The Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2024, committee meeting. Mr. Cooper made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2024, meeting minutes. It was seconded by Mr. Sadler. Ayes: Daniel, Cooper, and Sadler

<u>Public Comment – Non-Agenda Item</u>: The Chair called for Public Comment – Non-Agenda Item.

The Chair called for Public Comment, hearing none, the Chair continued with the meeting.

Colonel Cobb called on Major Milt Robinson for an introduction and recognition.

Major Robinson introduced Mr. Tim Wyatt, Field Services Coordinator with the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services who came and presented First Sergeant Amanda Nevel and Major Milt Robinson with their Re-Certification Certificate.

Basic Academy Recruit Introductions: The Chair called on First Sgt. Amanda Nevel.

First Sgt. Amanda Nevel introduced the 22 recruits who came in and gave their name and location in front of our Board members.

Board Resolution Update: The Chair called on Colonel Cobb for an Update.

Colonel Cobb gave an update on the Illegal Trade of Reptiles and Amphibians Resolution.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Colonel Cobb for his update.

Law Enforcement Chief Update: The Chair called on Colonel Cobb for an update.

Colonel Cobb reported:

- > The Academy is coming along and doing great
- ➤ During the last quarter, along with Outreach Division, CPOs worked 205 events, with an average of 35,000 participation and were face to face with 13,000 people.
- ➤ Law Enforcement has 2 new dogs.
- ➤ The National Law Enforcement Wildlife groups is growing with more states and efforts are going well
- ➤ Researching Public/Private Scholarships
- ➤ Rick Perry is working hard on Documenting our Law History

<u>Director's Report</u>: The Chair called on Executive Director Ryan Brown for his Director's Report.

The Director remarked on the Academy and what is takes for Law Enforcement to put a class together and lead them through 32 weeks. He wanted to commend Law Enforcement for that effort.

Chair's Report:

The Chair thanked Law Enforcement staff for their presentations.

The Chair announced the next Law Enforcement committee meeting will be Wednesday, August 21, 2024, and asked if there were any additional comments, hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 2:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Frances Boswell