

MEETING MINUTES - August 9, 2022

10:00 AM - VIA ZOOM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Martin at 10:00 AM. The meeting was held via zoom.

The following board members were present: Chairman Bob Martin Vice Chairman Vikki Consiglio, Edwin Nix. Kerry Van Moore, and Jason Winters, a quorum was established. Partners attending via zoom were Katie Spornberger (GACD), Mark Masters (GACD), Mady Barnes (GACD), Katelynn Poppell (GACD Sonny Turner (GACD), Dan Bennett (GACD), Terrance Rudolph (NRCS), and Tansel Hudson (NRCS).

Attending members of the Commission were Executive Director Mitch Attaway, Conservation Manager Robert Amos, Urban Program Manager Ben Ruzowicz, Rural Project Manager Ben Hyer, Rural Project Manager Greg Walker and Administrative Assistant Jacquline Holt attended via zoom.

Chairman Bob Martin called the meeting to order. Mr. Attaway gave the invocation.

Mr. Attaway asked for approval of the minutes from the June 7, 2022 meeting. Chairman Martin called for a motion. There was a motion by Mr. Jason Winters to approve the minutes, a second by Mr. Edwin Nix and the motion carried to unanimous approval.

Executive Director's Report - Mitch Attaway stated there were 2 additions to the agenda under New Business. The additions were the Memorandum of Understanding with GACD and the Conservation Outreach Agreement with NRCS. The incoming employees are Leslie Peterson in Region 4, and Ben Roberts and Amelia Nystrom in Region 5. There are 2 outgoing employees, Amber Casper and Isabella Pettus. Mr. Attaway stated that the Group Meetings/Supervisor Training will be meeting in person again once it starts back. The cost per supervisor during the last year was \$41.00. Mr. Attaway asked for a motion to approve the cost. Mr. Kerry Van Moore made a motion that was 2nd by Mr. Edwin Nix and the motion carried to unanimous approval. Mr. Attaway spoke about the Memorandum of Understanding. Chairman Martin called for a motion to approve it. Mr. Edwin Nix made a motion to approve, a second by Kerry Van Moore and the motion carried to unanimous approval. Mr. Attaway also spoke about the Conservation Outreach Agreement and asked for a motion to approve it. Ms. Vikki Consiglo made a motion to approve it, a second by Mr. Edwin Nix and the motion carried to unanimous approval.

<u>Conservation Report</u> – Robert Amos stated that there are 7 supervisors that need to be approved by the board of which 5 are new. Mr. Amos stated there were 3 resignation. Chairman Martin called for a motion on the appointments and resignation. Ms. Vikki Consiglio made a motion to approve the appointments and resignation, a second by Mr. Kerry Van Moore and the motion

carried to unanimous approval. There have been candidates for a special election in the following counties Bacon, Cobb, Lincoln, and Columbia that will appear on the November ballot.

<u>Urban Report</u> –Ben Ruzowicz gave the report. He stated that Clayton County has an overview in progress. The City of Byron has requested a MOA but he is waiting on the District to vote before proceeding. Monroe County has also requested a MOA and they have an overview in process. The Trainer course was held July 18 and July 19. There are a total of 10 trainers to be approved by the board, 7 for Trainer I and 3 for Trainer 2. Mr. Ruzowicz asked for a motion. Ms. Vikki Consiglo made a motion to approve Trainers I and Trainers 2, a second by Mr. Edwin Nix and the motion carrier to unanimous approval.

<u>Rural Report</u> – Mr. Ben Hyer and Mr. Greg Walker, Rural Project Mangers gave the report.

GACD Update - No report was given.

NCRS Update - Terrance Rudolph gave the report

Public Comment- No Public Comment

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be October 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. via zoom

With no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Martin.

Respectively Submitted by: Jacquline Holt

Approved by:

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GSWCC Chairman

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GSWCC Executive Director

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