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#### **MINUTES**

### **ECOLOGY** COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING

Cordry Sweetwater Conservancy District

## 4 APR, 2019

- A. The monthly meeting of the CSCD Ecology Commission was called to order by Commission Chairman, Rick Normington, at 6:15 P.M. on 4 April, 2019, at the CSCD conference room.
- B. Members Present: Rick Normington, Randy Brumfield, Brenda Maulden, Ty Cooper & Jim Donnells (Recorder );
- C. Members Absent: Josh Edwards (Board) & Sunny Leerkamp (CSLOA),
- D. Others in Attendance: 3 Guests
- E. Brenda Maulden moved to approve the Minutes of the 7 March, 2019, meeting of the CSCD Ecology Commission; Jim Donnells seconded. This motion was unanimously approved.
- F. FREEHOLDER CONCERNS: None

### G. OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. (6:20 P.M.) **REVIEW OF CSCD WATER/GROUNDS SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** (*Josh H.*): Josh's update covered progress reports on projects of interest to ECOLOGY including: Trail 5 Extension work progress; a planned sediment pond to catch silt before it enters the lake on Sweetwater Lake; plans for coffer dam repairs on Antelope Drive; updates on a project to remedy problems with the coffer dam on Grizzly Drive; and an update to the major project to repair the drainage pipe leak and erosion on Sweetwater Dam. The engineering report will be discussed in a 12 April (10:00 A.M.) meeting with the engineers; freeholders are invited to attend. Beach maintenance and improvements begin soon. Josh also reported that he is developing a plan to communicate with freeholders on the potential threat of an irreversible infestation of zebra mussels and/or quagga mussels in our lakes. He also discussed bee keeping activities in CSCD and a plan to update trails maps.
- 2. (6:30 P.M.) **DEER HERD CONSERVATION INITIATIVE** (*Rick*): The Deer Reduction Committee reports that it has received 391 post card responses from freeholders regarding their desires for full, limited, or no participation in this Fall's deer reduction hunt in the CSCD. To date, 123 properties have been offered up for hunting. It was also reported that the final grant money from the Community Hunt Access Program for last year's hunt has been received from the DNR.

# H. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. <u>COMMISSION MEMBER CONCERNS</u>: (6:55 P.M.) Concern was expressed over the apparent, unsightly logging operations being conducted on private properties north of the CSCD creating increased forest fire fuel volumes and adversely impacting firefighter mobility should a forest fire break out. Since these controversial logging operations are on private property, the Commission felt there is nothing to be done at this time to address this concern.
- 2. The annual CSCD Roadway Litter Cleanup Activity is scheduled for Saturday, 6 April at 8:00 A.M. Volunteers are asked to meet at the clubhouse where the CSLOA will provide a small breakfast to start.
- 3. It was reported that not only did the CSCD Board adopt the proposed increase in creel limits for bass proposed by the Commission last month, but they also granted authority to the Commission to manage and publish all future CSCD fishing creel limits, with only notice of changes given to the Board.

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- 4. The next meeting of the CSCD Ecology Commission is scheduled for Thursday, 2 May, 2019, at 6:00 P.M. in the CSCD conference room. A draft Agenda for that meeting was developed.
- 5. <u>STRATEGIC PLANNING</u> (7:10 P.M.): An ECOLOGY Strategic Planning and Budget Planning meeting was conducted. This month's meeting focused on "What's Going WELL and What's Going NOT-SO-WELL" in the CSCD Ecology environment.
- I. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: Jim Donnells moved to adjourn the April meeting of the Ecology Commission. Ty Cooper seconded. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

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