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Louisa County Conservation Board – Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 3, 2026 / 3:00 pm / Virginia Grove Recreation Area Shelter

Board Present: Josh Hardin, Joellen Schantz, Sam Willson, Elizabeth Kling and Shawn Maine

Staff Present: Jacob Ewart, Lana Artz-McComb, Tanner Hollingsworth

Public Present: Jim Rudasill, Bill Small

Meeting called to order: at 3:00 by Maine

1. Agenda Approval (action)
Hardin motioned to approve the agenda, Kling seconded. Motion passed all ayes.
2. Consent Agenda (action)
Willson motioned to approve consent agenda, Schantz seconded. Motion passed all ayes
3. Audience Consideration (informational)
None
4. Environmental Education Update (informational)
Summer programming is wrapping up – the last library programs were held the week before Fair. River Raiders had a great trip on the Turkey River and Fayette County Conservation were exceptional hosts and help with our rather last minute trip change! We have our last paddling camp tomorrow and last Day Camp next week. Both Ziva and Bre will be done on 8/13. We set up Archery at the Fair on Thursday
The CJPL and I are hosting a ribbon cutting for the Storybook Adventure at Chinkapin. Thursday at 6 pm. Hopefully MS library and I (plus volunteers) can get the Virginia Grove installation complete next week or the week after. No go for the Hoover Nature Trail- too much packed gravel.
5. Maintenance Update (informational)
Virginia Grove – worked on cleanup at dock and dam, stained dock, cleaned up trails and Maebus property.
Chinkapin Bluffs and Hoover Nature Trail– stained deck, trail cleanup. Worked on mulching and clearing Baird Timber and Hoover Nature Trail Morning Sun. Problem solving an issue with the Power Rake and Skid Steer- not working/pairing like expected. Working with reps to fix the issue.
6. Administrative Update (informational)
No update on HNT – still gathering info (surprisingly hard to find lihs phone #)
Should we increase the price for camping?
 - a. Talked about doing it, but no official update to pricingShould we trade in our John Deere mower?
 - b. We just paid it off, do we need to trade in already or own for a couple years without payments?Re-up crop ground leases
Attended REAP assembly, going to REAP congress
Talking with Delta Waterfowl about projects at Indian Slough in the dog area.
 - c. Pond building
 - d. Permanent accessible waterfowl hunting blind

7. Approval of FY26 Annual Report (action)
Ewart provided an official overview of FY26 and answered questions the board had. Motion to approve the FY26 Annual report by Hardin. Seconded by Willson. Motion passes all ayes.
8. Approval of Date and Items to be sold at Auction (action)
Hollingsworth presented the board with various items to be sold via an auction. Hollingsworth reported most, if not all items that are being sold are surplus, and that these are the “backups to the backups” and that there really isn’t a scenario when they would use them. Some items to note include sheds, water pumps, Toyota sienna, and various tools. Bill Small said he would cry at the auction for free, provided LCCB did all the bookkeeping for the event. Motion to approve posting the items for sale and approving the sale of items, regardless of price was made by Hardin. Seconded by Willson. Motion passes all ayes.
9. Memorial Donations Approval (action)
Memorial Donations for Dean Klein are looking to be placed at Baird grove and Virginia Grove. A stone and bench, respectively. Board was in favor as long as it followed board policy.
Hardin motions to approve both memorial donations. Kling seconded. Motion approved all ayes.
10. Review and Discussion of Rules/Regulations (action)
The board discussed, in detail, the camping rules and regulations as presented by Ewart. He had redone the rules and removed legalese language and board policy and procedures from the public facing rules. Most rules were kept the same, but a few were changed or omitted. In general, the rules as presented were less restrictive than the current rules, which the board appreciated. The board also discussed the other rules and regulations and asked Ewart to put the approval of all rules on the next agenda.
11. Set Date/Time/Location for Next Regular Meeting (action)
a. Monday, Sept 14 ,2026 / 3:00 PM / Hickory Hollow
12. Adjournment (action)
4:40 pm Hardin motions, Schantz seconded, motion passed all ayes.

President

Secretary

Date Approved

President – Shawn Maine Vice-President – Josh Hardin
Secretary – Elizabeth Kling