

**Land, Water & Conservation Division
Advisory Committee Minutes
Dennis Building, Room 357
Columbia, South Carolina
Wednesday, October 26, 2016**

CONFERENCE CALL

<i>Present</i>	Bill Simpson Larry Nates Jim McLeod Tom Garrison	Patricia Hartung Marvin Davant Charles Broadwell
<i>Staff:</i>	Ken Rentiers Dorothy Phillips	Marc Cribb

Call to Order/Welcome: The **October 26, 2016** meeting was called to order by Chairman William Simpson at 1:20 p.m. In compliance with the provisions of Section 30-4-80(e) (Freedom of Information Act), notification of this meeting was posted in public places. Absent from the meeting was Webb Smathers, and Dean Moss.

Approval of March 31, 2016 Minutes: Bill Simpson made a motion to approve the March 31, 2016 Minutes and seconded by Charles Broadwell, all were in favor and the Motion was passed.

Deputy Director's Report: Ken gave the Advisory Committee members a brief update on the Surface Water Assessment Project and Flood Mitigation activities.

Conservation Districts Report: Marc informed the Committee that Conservation Program has added a new staff member Brooke Myres. All conservation district applications for State funds have been processed. The Committee was informed about the 2017 Annual Partnership Conference, February 21-22 at the DoubleTree Hotel, Columbia.

Executive Session: At 2:10 p.m. Tom Garrison made a motion to go into Executive Session and was seconded by Larry Nates for the purpose of discussing personnel issues. All were in favor.

At 2:20 p.m. Marvin Davant made a motion to return from Executive Session and was seconded by Larry Nates, all were in favor.

Chairman Simpson made a motion that the Conservation District Commissioner re-appointments be approved and was seconded by Marvin Davant, all were in favor. The Conservation District Commissioner re-appointments were approved as follows: Stanley Keaton, Abbeville; Diane O. Bosler, Allendale; Landis A. Hiers, Bamberg; Dwight R. Johnson, Chesterfield; Vicky A. Howell, Clarendon; Alton B. Jeffords, Darlington; W. Tolman Salisbury, Dorchester; Malcolm J. O'Neal, Edgefield; English W. Dixon, Horry; Calvin Robertson, Laurens; Don Grant, Lee; Larry Nates, Lexington; Bobby F. Edmonds, McCormick; Alexander P. Ramsay, Oconee; Roddey E. Gettys, Pickens and Frances McClary, Williamsburg.

Jim McLeod made a motion to approve the new appointments and was seconded by Patricia Hartung. The new appointments were approved and are as follows: Donald K. Allen and Mendel Smith, Dillon.

Next Meeting Date: TBD – Jim McLeod suggested the as day as the Legislative Meeting in February.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Simpson at 2:30 p.m., all were in favor

Dorothy L. Phillips