

## Meeting Minutes

The Wicomico County Natural Resources Conservation Advisory Committee (NRCAC) met Tuesday February 12, 2019 at the Government Office Building at 3pm

**Committee:** Judith Stribling Matt Hurd John Groutt Chris McCabe Aaron Cooper  
Alyssa Massey Mandel Copeland Doug Stevens

**County Staff:** Tyler Walston, Environmental Planner

The group voted to approve the January minutes.

### **NRCAC Bylaws**

Mr. Hurd asked if Mr. Groutt was still the Vice Chair of the committee. Mr. Groutt replied that he was. Ms. Stribling asked about changing the language of the goals for the NRCAC. The group agreed to changes and Mr. Walston agreed to send the edits to the county attorney.

Mr. McCabe motioned to approve the changes to the bylaws. Mr. Stevens seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **Invasive Species Initiative**

Ms. Stribling updated the group on the invasive subcommittee meeting. She stated that they will be meeting with Chesapeake RC&D soon to discuss funding options for the initiative. The group discussed using the \$25,000 allocated from the county to treat the invasive infestation inside the forest at Pemberton. Mr. Hurd discussed the next steps for preparing an RFP for the work at Pemberton.

Ms. Stribling asked about the County budget proposals for the next fiscal year. Mr. McCabe said the group may want to have a letter ready by March.

Ms. Stribling told the group there was an upcoming lecture on invasive species at Salisbury University.

Mr. Stevens asked about the English ivy at the city park. Ms. Massey said she would look into what the City staff was doing about the invasive issue. Mr. Hurd reminded the group that they had an open invitation to coordinate a volunteer project to pull down the vines in the trees. Ms. Massey said she would invite the City staff person that does invasive spraying to the next NRCAC meeting.

### **Pirates Wharf Update**

Ms. Stribling and Mr. McCabe updated the group on the Pirate's Wharf project. They went over the proposed plantings, trails, and structures at the park. Mr. McCabe said the USACE and MDE will be meeting to discuss the proposed work.

The group discussed the size of the boat ramp that will be placed at the park.