

WICOMICO SCENIC RIVER COMMISSION

Appointed to represent the interests of the Wicomico Scenic River and its tributaries
in Charles and St. Mary's Counties

Minutes of the meeting held on February 26, 2007

<u>Members Present:</u>	<u>Members Absent:</u>	<u>Guests:</u>
Bill Montgomery, Chairman Bob Denning, Vice Chair Barbara Hays, Treasurer George Lancaster Valerie Nyce Aimee Dailey Bob Elwood G. Wade Compton	Dennis Bridgett	None

The meeting was held at the Veteran's Home in Charlotte Hall, Maryland. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Montgomery.

Reading/Approval of the Previous Minutes (January 29, 2007)

Motion was made by Mr. Lancaster, Seconded by Mr. Elwood to approve the minutes of previous meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Officers Reports

- a. Chairman—None
- b. Vice Chairman----None
- c. Treasurer
 - i. Ms. Hays announced that the Commission received \$1,000 from St. Mary's County and she submitted the budget for the coming fiscal year.
 - ii. Ms. Hays suggested that we should be spending the money we have currently. Discussion ensued regarding the following possibilities:
 1. reprinting the management plan and updating it.
 2. Updating posters
 3. redesigning website
 - iii. Ms. Hays has identified 60 schools for possible distribution of the video. Discussion ensued.

County Staff Reports

- a. Charles County
 1. Mirant applications: Coal Barge and Wet Scrubber. Discussion ensued and is described in New Business.
- b. St. Mary's County
 1. None.

Reports of Standing Committees:

1. Mr. Compton reported that he is still looking into the grasses in classes program and how the commission can get involved.

Correspondence:

1. None.

Old Business

1. Science Fair—March 3. Ms. Hays is coordinating the prize giving. Suggested to purchase gift card at Borders. The commission concurred that \$50.00 is sufficient

for gift cards. Ms. Dailey will find out who on staff to give prizes to for distribution at the evening session and inform Ms. Hays.

2. 19th Annual Potomac River Cleanup—March 31. Ms. Hays to purchase long-handled trash picker-uppers for use. Several members of the commission expressed concerns that the signs are not up for the Adopt a Highway program. Ms. Dailey to check into status of signs and report back to commission prior to trash pick-up.
3. Ideas for future presentations.
 1. Mr. Lancaster described to the commission a presentation given by the Cobb Neck Citizens alliance regarding the Mirant applications. Mr. Lancaster volunteered to arrange for this presentation to be given to the commission at the next meeting.
 2. Mr. Montgomery expressed that it may be appropriate to have someone from Chaney Enterprises come and give a presentation regarding environmental stewardship in mining activities. He will look into this presentation.

New Business:

1. Mirant applications for Coal Barge and Wet Scrubber
 - i. Mr. Lancaster gave an overview of the two applications for permits pending at the state. Significant discussion ensued.
 - ii. In addition to inviting the Cobb Neck Citizen's Alliance to provide a presentation. The following options for action were discussed:
 1. Attendance of the February 28, 2007 hearing to the extent feasible.
 2. Sending a letter to the County Commissioners
 3. Sending a letter to the Public Service commission. Mr. Montgomery to draft letter by Wednesday.
 4. Sending a letter to the state delegation

Programs/Presentations

1. None.

The next meeting is to be held March 26, 2007.