

***AGRICULTURAL AND LAND CONSERVATION
COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 23, 2026***

The meeting of the Stafford County Agricultural and Land Conservation Committee for Monday, February 23, 2026 was called to order at 7:00 pm in the CDSC Conference Room in the George L. Gordon Government Center by Nancy Kotting.

Members	Present	Absent
Chad Young	X	
Darla Stencavage		X
Jeff Adams	X	
Jesse Adams	X	
Michael Bradshaw		X
Evangeline (Evie) Council	X	

Staff Present: Nancy Kotting and Crissy Kendall

Guests: Madison Morgan and Marshall Locklear

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Kotting called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and confirmed there was a quorum present.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Chad Young nominated Jesse Adams as chairperson. Jeff Adams seconded. Motion passed 4/0.

3. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Election for the Vice Chair is deferred to next meeting.

4. ELECTION OF SECRETARY

Office staff will be the secretary for the Committee.

5. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR AGENDA

Ms. Kotting requested a change to the published agenda. She requested to add 2 time-sensitive farmer's market applications to the agenda under new business. Chad Young motioned to accept the change and Jeff Adams seconded. Motioned passed, 4/0.

6. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Madison Morgan invited the members of the Committee to a Legislative Pasture Tour on March 26 at 5 pm at Aspen Grove Farm hosted by the Tri-County/City Soil & Water Conservation District. This is an opportunity to meet with local conservation agencies and learn what and why they do what they do.

7. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Jesse Adams introduced himself. His passion is land conservation and the environment. He volunteers with many activities within the community and started a nonprofit last year called Waterway Cleanups.

8. ANNUAL REVIEW OF BACC

Nancy Kotting gave a quick review of the BACC rules. She put emphasis on FOIA requests and reminded members if 3 or more of them are together they can not speak about county business. She also reminded members that texts and emails are foiable. Jeff Adams said since the county doesn't give him a computer or phone to communicate and he will not be doing anything electronically for the committee.

9. REVIEW OF BYLAWS

Ms. Kotting introduced a revision to the bylaws that includes with adding the vote to approve the agenda at the beginning of each meeting. The intent is to make sure all topics to be discussed are on the agenda when voted on and accepted. This mirrors what the Board of Supervisors and other Commissions and Boards do at the beginning of each meeting. Evie Council made a motion that the bylaws be adopted as presented. Chad Young seconded the motion. Motion denied, 0/4.

10. VOTE TO ACCEPT 2026 MEETING CALENDAR

Members discussed the proposed meeting schedule. They requested the May 25 (Memorial Day) meeting be moved to May 18 and the December meeting be canceled. Chad Young made a motion to approve the modified meeting calendar. Jeff Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed, 4/0.

11. STAFF UPDATES

Status of Land Conservation Specialist Position

Nancy Kotting reports that she will be handling the ALC meetings until the Land Conservation Specialist Position is filled. Nancy is the Cultural Resource Specialist for Stafford County and the staff liaison for the Historical Commission and Architectural Review Board. Her background is in historic preservation and land conservation.

NEW BUSINESS

New PDR Round

The last round had six properties. Two have been completed and four are still in process. Ms. Kotting offered to meet with Jesse Adams to get him up to speed on the PDR process. NVCT has been working on creating a concept for offering an expedited process. Ms. Kotting will update everyone at the next meeting on the last properties to close and how much money is available for the next round. There have been 3 or 4 people who are interested in information for the next round

Farmer's Markets

M & K Markets

Mr. Marshall stated there were no changes from last year's application. Jeff Adams made a motion to approve. Chad Young seconded. Motion passed, 4/0.

Long Family Markets

Ms. Kotting stated there were no changes from last year's application. Chad Young made a motion to approve. Evie Council seconded. Motion passed, 3/1.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

13. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- October 27, 2026

Chad Young made a motion to approve the October 27, 2025 minutes. Evie Council seconded. Jesse Adams abstained. Motion passed. 3/0.

14. MEMBER COMMENTS

Jeff Adams reported that he and Chad Young attended the Speed Dating program. He reported it was a nice program.

15. NEXT MEETING

- March 30, 2026

16. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss Chairman Jesse Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:06 pm.