

**Heritage Trust Advisory Board
Special Meeting - Conference Call
Wednesday, June 7, 2023 – 10:00 am**

Members Present

Brand Sauls (for Eric Emerson)
Campbell Coxe
Clarke Thompson (for Harry Lightsey)
Emily Cope (for Robert Boyles)
Julien Springs
Ken Rentiers
Rob Keck
Sonny King
Tom Patton (for Scott Philips)

Members Absent

Amy Bartow-Melia
Jonathan Leader
Julia Krebs
Kevin Hunter
Terry Hurley (for Duane Parrish)

Others Present

Dawn Beaver
Fran Varacalli
Jordan Baker
Ken Prosser
Sean Taylor
Van Whitehead

Call to Order

Chairman Coxe called the meeting to order.

Welcome and Introduction

Chairman Coxe gave quick welcome and thanked everyone attending for coming on a short notice.

Roll Call of Attendance

Jordan Baker gave a roll call and asked participants to reply “here” when called.

Public Comment Period

Chairman Coxe asked if anyone wanted to speak during this time. No comments were made.

Motion to Enter Executive Session

Mr. Thompson made a motion that the Board go into Executive Session pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4—70(A)(2) to discuss a property acquisition related to Action Items A. Mr. Keck seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Close Executive Session and Return to Public Session

Mr. Keck made a motion that the Board return to open session, and let the record reflect that no action was taken in Executive Session. Dr. King seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Item for Board Action

A. Property Acquisition Project: Final approval to acquire approximately 489 acres in Lexington County:

Mr. Springs made a motion that the Heritage Trust Advisory Board, upon the recommendation from SCDNR staff and subject to standard due diligence, recommend that the SCNDR Board grant final approval to purchase approximately 489 acres adjoining the Congaree Creek Heritage

Preserve/WMA in Lexington County that will be dedicated as a heritage preserve and placed into the corpus of the SC Heritage Trust. Dr. King seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Having no further business to discuss, Chairman Coxe made a motion that the Heritage Trust Advisory Board be adjourned. Mr. Springs seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Jordan Baker
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