

- **Mr. Hubbard made a motion to approve the VAD application, seconded by Mr. Welch, and the motion passed on the vote.**

Farmland Preservation Report

- New board position approved – Mark Diaz. The Board welcomed Mark Diaz as a new member.
- Hoping to confirm/schedule grant project visits in August.
- Bond projects – Open Space Bond Manager & Finance to go through internal processes before taking to BOC, working on pre-appraisals to get quotes.
- Waiting to hear back on FY23 grant applications.
- Easement Project Updates
 - Larson Easement – starting BDR and EA
 - Wesley Easement –forest management plan & EA in progress; hope to start on BDR soon.
 - SAHC Garrett – on hold as per SAHC’s request, hope to start survey soon.
 - SAHC Teague Property Easement – closing postponed due to boundary dispute.
 - Sluder Easement– adding in edits from NCDA, additional funding opportunity.
 - Ramsey Easement – Federal representatives visited site in July, Ph II EA and updated BDR currently under review.
 - Jasperwood Farm Easements – starting deed work; environmental assessments and appraisals are completed and under review.
 - Splendor Valley LLC Easement –refinancing to get subordination agreement signed. Ag South Credit says earliest they’d have things complete is the end of Aug.
 - Clark Easement – postponed until September - banks reviewing subordination agreements.
 - Worthen & Krekel – started survey work.
 - Soden – Letter of Intent is signed, scheduling initial visit with surveyor.

Closed session

- **Ms. Wells made a motion to enter closed session as per GS. 143-318.11 section 5, seconded by Ms. Rankin, and the motion passed on the vote.**

The Board discussed easement purchase ballpark estimates for the two bond project proposals.

- **Ms. Wells made a motion to leave closed session, seconded by Mr. Welch, and the motion passed on the vote.**

With no other announcements, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 am.