Catoctin Board Meeting Tuesday, October 17, 2023- Closed Session Soil Conservation District Office

Vote to Close Session: <u>A. Holter motioned, seconded by J. Falkenstein, that the board adjourn the regular meeting at 10:18am and meet in closed session to comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter as authorized by General Provisions Article Section 3-305(b)(13). The motion carried unanimously.</u>

Members Who Voted in Closed Session: B. Sowers, J. Falkenstein, E. Arnold, A. Holter.

Others in Attendance: Heather Hutchinson, Kendra McAfee, and W. Shaffer.

Topics Discussed: 1) Three (3) Agricultural Exemptions, 2) Staffing

Action Taken:

1A) Discussion to go to site and review the agricultural exemption. H. Hutchinson will set up site visit for week of October 23rd.

1B) J. Falkenstein motioned, second by A. Holter, to give a six-month extension to discussed ag exemption. All in agreement.

1C) <u>A. Holter motioned, second by E. Arnold, to extend the current agricultural exemption for existing area with no more additional grading until May 1, 2024. H. Hutchinson will provide a letter that this will be the last exemption given and if work is not completed by May 1, 2024, it will be turned over to Frederick County Government.</u>

2) J. Falkenstein motioned, second by E. Arnold, to starting looking for a new urban technician, and reclassify positions to allow for a level three classification. All in agreement.

Vote to Adjourn Close Session: J. Falkenstein motioned to adjourn the closed session at 11:23 AM, second by A. Holter. The motion carried unanimously.