

MINUTES
SOUTH CAROLINA CONSERVATION BANK
Special Purpose Meeting
Monday, June 8, 2026 – 2:00 PM
Via Teams

The South Carolina Conservation Bank Board (SCCB) held a virtual Special Purpose meeting via Microsoft Teams on Monday, June 8, 2026, at 2:00 PM. Notice of the date, time, and place of the meeting was posted and sent to interested parties in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. Chairman Peter King presided at the meeting, and attendance was noted as follows:

BOARD MEMBERS:	EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:
Chairman Peter King, PRESENT	SC Office of Resilience: Ben Duncan PRESENT
Wes Carter, ABSENT	SC Forestry Commission: Eric Smith, PRESENT
West Cox, PRESENT	SC DNR: Mark Hartley, ABSENT
Rob Howell, PRESENT	SC PRT: Duane Parrish, PRESENT
Charles Lane, PRESENT	SCDOT: Justin Powell ABSENT
Tommy Lavender PRESENT	SC COMMERCE: Harry Lightsey, PRESENT
Mike McShane, PRESENT	SC AG COMMISSION: Hugh Weathers, ABSENT
Melanie Shull, ABSENT	
Jared Thompson, ABSENT	
Richmond Wilhoit, Jr., PRESENT	

1) WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman King called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for their attendance.

2) ROLL CALL

Chairman King called the roll, and a quorum was established with 7 Board Members and 4 ex officio members in attendance. Chairman King stated that proper public notice had been given for the meeting.

3) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman King stated that the next item on the agenda was an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing an employment matter related to the hiring of an agency Executive Director pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws. Mr. McShane made a motion to enter Executive Session, Mr. Lane seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

4) RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

At the conclusion of the discussion, Mr. McShane made a motion to end Executive Session, Mr. Lane seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. Chairman King noted that no action was taken during Executive Session.

Once in open session, Chairman King called for a motion that the Board extend an offer to Mr. David Jones for the position of Executive Director of the South Carolina Conservation Bank, subject to the advice and consent of the South Carolina Senate. Mr. Lavender made the motion, Mr. McShane seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by acclamation.

Next, Chairman King called for a motion that, following Mr. Jones's acceptance of the Board's offer, the Board recommend to the South Carolina Senate that Mr. David Jones be appointed as the next Executive Director of the

Bank. Mr. McShane made the motion, Mr. Howell seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by acclamation.

Then, Chairman King called for a motion that, contingent on Senate confirmation of Mr. Jones as Executive Director, the Board apply to the South Carolina Agency Head Salary Commission to increase Mr. Jones's salary to \$140,000 per year from the statutory minimum. Mr. McShane made the motion, Mr. Lane seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by acclamation.

5) ADJOURN

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Howell made the motion, Mr. Lane seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.