#### South Carolina Mitigation Association Executive Committee Meeting Minutes March 11, 2025 Video Conference

#### I. Opening

The regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the South Carolina Mitigation Association was called to order at 9:03 AM by Daniel Johnson, SCMA President.

### Attending:

Daniel Johnson, President Ross Nelson, Treasurer Allen Conger Adrienne Graham Doug Hughes Sydni Redmond Chris Ryan

## II. Approval of Minutes

Ross Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of the February Executive Committee meeting. Doug Hughes seconded the motion, which carried.

## III. Financial Report

Mr. Nelson reviewed the February financials and the AR.

## IV. Member Care

Mr. Nelson alerted Sustain SC that the SCMA would not renew its membership in 2025. They proposed a non-profit rate of \$1500 that would not include the benefit of giving the SCMA members a 50% discount. The Executive Committee agreed to pass on any membership at this time. If Sustain SC begins to promote more mitigation and aligns itself more with the SCMA's goal, then it will be reconsidered.

#### **IV.** Quarterly Meeting

The US Fish and Wildlife Service cannot speak in March. Mr. Nelson will contact the Director of the DNR, Dr. Thomas Mulligan. He will also ask Sean Connolly, SCDOT, to assist in securing him.

#### V. Old Business

Mr. Johnson is continuing to gather data for the EPIC study. He is waiting for confirmation from Becca Madson that she can dedicate time to the study.

# VII. Committee Reports

**Partnership:** Sydni Redmond, Chair, reported that the Committee is preparing to kick off the clay shoot. Please watch for registration and sponsorships.

**Technical**: Mr. Johnson reported that the Committee had submitted their feedback on the SQT guidance to the Corps. SCMA is proposing a rewrite. At this point, the SQT is on hold.

SCDOT/USACE: Mr. Nelson will reach out to Mr. Connolly at SCDOT to arrange a meeting.

**Government Affairs:** Mr. Nelson reported that the Committee discussed adding language to the energy legislative to promote mitigation. They were on a tight deadline and were not able to finalize it in time. Bob Perry drafted to respond to the threatened and endangered species legislation DNR was proposing. Mr. Nelson will finalize this.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 8, 2025 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes submitted by: Kristin Knight-Meng, Secretary Approved by: Executive Committee, 4.8.2025