# 2023 Rural Planning Caucus of Virginia Conference Schedule

Rethinking Housing, Development, & Energy in Rural Virginia

Amended 10/3/23

#### Wednesday, 10/18/23

**Registration —** opens at 12:30 pm @ Mountain Lake Lodge — Giles Room

Off-Site Workshop – "Shaping the Future of Downtown" (Salem VA); Walking Tour of Downtown Salem Showcasing Revitalization Efforts through the Downtown Plan with planned stops and speakers. (12:30 pm —4:00 pm):

<u>NOTE:</u> The workshop will begin at the Salem Museum and Historical Society.

ADDRESS: 801 E Main Street, Salem, VA 24153

Conference Kick-off & Networking Reception — Salt Pond Pub (5:30 pm - 7:00 pm)

Dinner- Mary's Barn (7:00 pm - 9:00 pm)

### Thursday, 10/19/23

**Breakfast—** Harvest Restaurant (7:00 am—8:45 am)

**Registration-** opens @ 8:30 am in Giles room

Welcome & Opening Remarks: Tripp Little, RPC Chair (8:55 am) - Cascade Room

Housing Opportunities: Identifying Needs, Overcoming Land Use Regulatory Barriers, and the ABCs of ADUs and STRs (9 am—10:30 am)

Featuring Speakers from: The Berkley Group and Virginia Housing **Coffee Break** (10:30 am—10:45 am)

Urban Development Areas: How

Ordinances Enable Success (10:45 am—12 noon)

Featuring Speakers from: Botetourt County Community Development and Albemarle County.

Lunch— Harvest Ballroom (12 pm—1 pm)

Lightning Round (1 pm—2:50 pm)

Featuring Speakers from: Center for Rural Virginia, Virginia Cooperative Extension, Center for Geospatial Information Technology (Virginia Tech), and American Farm Land Trust.

- Virginia Leadership Programs
- Virginia Land and Energy Navigator (VALEN)
- Regenerative Agriculture

Snack Break (2:50 pm-3:00 pm)

Annual RPC Business Meeting (3:00 pm - 3:30 pm):

- Financial Report
- Board Elections:
  - Special Election
    - Will Cockrell (to fill unexpired term ending 2025)
  - Terms Expiring 2023
    - Kelli Le Duc
      - o Diana Utz
      - Steve Sandy
      - Vacancy: Dylan Bishop (Nominating Committee
      - Recommendation)
- Strategic Plan Status
- RPC Mentor Program
- Conference 2024 October 16-18, MLL
- Other Business

#### Virginia's Energy Future: The Role of Rural

## Friday, 10/20/23

**Breakfast—** Harvest Restaurant (7:00 am — 8:45 am

**Ethics** (9:00 am —10:30 am)

Featuring Speakers from: West Virginia School of Law

Break (10:30 am — 11:00 am)

Legal /Legislative Issues (11:00 am—12:30 pm)

Featuring Speakers from: Town of Culpeper and Virginia Association of Counties)

**Closing Comments** (12:30 pm) - Tripp Little, RPC Chair

**Lunch** (12:35 pm - 1:45 pm) Harvest Restaurant

See you October 16-18, 2024 for RPC #45 also at Mountain Lake Lodge!

**Virginia** (3:30 pm –5:00 pm):

Featuring speakers from: Virginia Department of Energy and InvestSWVA

- Virginia Energy Plan
- Clean Energy Development on Former Mined Lands

Hike Up the Mountain (5:15 pm)

**Networking Reception & Silent Auction (**6:45 pm) Mary's Barn

Dinner & Entertainment (7:30 pm)

Annual Awards Ceremony & Entertainment (9:00 pm - 11:00 pm)