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Meeting Summary for April 16, 2025

Members

- Curtis Barrett
- Ashley Collier
- Craig Connell
- Charlene Norris

- Craig Paskoski
- Tom Scanlan
- Michele Smith
- Tamara Strobel

County Government

- Brenda Dinne, Special Projects Coordinator/ EAC Staff Liaison/Secretary
- Denise Mathias, EAC Admin Support

Guest Speaker(s)

- n/a

Other Attendees

- None

1. CALL TO ORDER -

- Mr. Paskoski, Chair, officially called the April 16, 2025, meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) to order at 3:45 PM in Room 204 of the County Office Building.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -

a. March 19, 2025

Discussion/Decision:

- Approval of the March minutes was postponed to the May meeting due to lack of a quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Motion XXX-25: Delayed

Reference/Attachment(s):

- www.carrollcountymd.gov/government/boards-commissions/environmental-advisory-council/meetings/

3. STAFF LIAISON REPORT -

Discussion/Decision:

- The next meeting will be held on May 21, 2025, at 3:00 PM. The agenda will include continued discussion on the projects in the 2025 Work Plan.
- 2024 Financial Disclosure Forms need to be completed by all members before the end of April. The form is online, and once submitted, goes directly to the Ethics Commission office.
- Ms. Marasco's position has not yet been filled.

4. NEW BUSINESS -

- a. None

5. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS -

a. Climate Resilience in Your Own Backyard - Discussion

Discussion:

- The potential content under each topic was discussed and gaps in information identified. Members volunteered for or were assigned specific topics in the outline to begin drafting text for the document. The draft text will be discussed at the May 21 meeting.

EAC Member Action Items:

- All members Draft text for assigned topic. Include link to source. To be reviewed May 21.

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

b. MPRP Environmental Impact Summary - Discussion

Discussion:

- The EAC will continue to review the Environmental Review Document (ERD) to narrow down key topics and impacts to highlight that would the EAC feels would be important to the Bard of County Commissioners. Key impacts will be added to content outline, which was amended at this meeting to possibly include environmental impacts not covered in the ERD and some key potential health impacts.

EAC Member Action Items:

- All members Finish adding bullets with suggested impacts to include. To be discussed May 21.

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

c. Cost Savings with Environmental Benefits - Discussion

Discussion:

- Projects need to be identified with the relevant departments before bringing to the EAC for discussion.

EAC Member Action Items:

- n/a

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

d. 2025 Environmental Action Awards - Discussion

Discussion:

- Mr. Scanlan and Mr. Paskoski were interviewed by Mike McMullin, President, Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, for a WTTR radio spot about the awards. It will air on Sunday, April 20, 2025.
- The public campaign to solicit nominations will kick off at the end of May.

EAC Member Action Items:

- n/a

Motions	Action Items	Attachments
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Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

e. 2025 Environmental Stewardship Booklet – Discussion

Discussion:

- Ms. Dinne requested updated data from the relevant staff, most of which has been received. She will update the document.

EAC Member Action Items:

- n/a

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

6. OTHER –

- Earth Day 2025: EAC members will participate in the Master Gardeners event at Piney Run Nature Center on April 26 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Mr. Paskoski will take the lead and has the materials for the exhibit.
- Water Conservation: Since the State has declared a drought warning for Carroll County, the EAC’s Water Conservation outreach piece can be used to raise public awareness.
- Mount Airy Green Fair & Farmer’s Market: A Green Fair will be held during one of the Mount Airy Farmer’s Market dates in the summer. The EAC is invited to attend. Once more information is available, the EAC will discuss whether to participate.

EAC Member Action Items:

- n/a

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS & CONCERNS –

- None.

8. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING –

- The meeting adjourned at 4:54 PM. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 3:00 PM in COB Room 204.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT – MOTION 491-25: Motion was made by Curt Barrett and seconded by Ashley Collier to adjourn the April 16, 2025, meeting. Motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings:

 Regular Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, May 21, 2025 @ 3:00 PM, COB Room 204