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Meeting Summary for March 19, 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 March 19, 2025, meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) to order at 3:03 PM in Room 204 of the County Office Building.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -

a. February 19, 2025

Discussion/Decision:

- Approval of the February minutes was discussed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Motion 489-25: Motion was made by Tom Scanlan and seconded by Michele Smith to approve the February 19, 2025, meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

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 April 16, 2025. The agenda will include continued discussion on the projects in the 2025 Work Plan. The meeting will begin at 3:30 PM rather than the usual 3:00 PM.
- 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.
- Member Kathleen Marasco resigned from the EAC on March 12, 2025.

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 will research further to address the identified information. The content will be discussed again at the April 16 meeting.

EAC Member Action Items:

- All members Research to fill in gaps on all topics as discussed. Include link to source and initials. To be discussed April 16.

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

b. MPRP Environmental Impact Summary - Discussion

Discussion:

- The EAC will review the Environmental Review Document (ERD) to narrow down key topics and impacts to highlight. Key impacts will be added to content outline. Members will review the impacts at the April 16 meeting to determine where research may be needed to provide additional perspectives.

EAC Member Action Items:

- All members Review the ERD table of contents to identify most important topics and impacts to include in summary. Add bullets with suggested impacts to include. To be discussed April 16.

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:

- Sun Nurseries will donate again this year. Ms. Dinne will coordinate with them.
- Ms. Norris' business will donate \$1,000 to the student winner again this year.
- Other businesses are being contacted.

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- Donors will need to be nailed down by the end of April, as the donor information will be added to the Awards webpage and to the flyers.
- Mr. Scanlan will arrange with the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce to schedule an interview with Mike McMullin, President, to be aired near Earth Day.
- The public campaign to solicit nominations will kick off at the end of May.

EAC Member Action Items:

- Mr. Barrett Contact local businesses to inquire about interest in donating prizes for the awards winners. At the April 16 meeting, to be discussed if need to branch out farther.
- Ms. Strobel
- Mr. Paskoski Coordinate with the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce to schedule and conduct a
- Mr. Scanlan WTPP interview.

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

e. 2025 Environmental Stewardship Booklet – Discussion

Discussion:

- Ms. Dinne will request updated data from the relevant staff.

EAC Member Action Items:

- n/a

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

6. OTHER –

- Earth Day 2025: EAC members will request to participate in the Master Gardeners event at Piney Run Nature Center on April 26 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

EAC Member Action Items:

- n/a

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS & CONCERNS –

- None.

8. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING –

- The meeting adjourned at 4:24 PM. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 3:00 PM in COB Room 204.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT – MOTION 490-25: Motion was made by Craig Connell and seconded by Charlene Norris to adjourn the March 19, 2025, meeting. Motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings:

 Regular Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, April 16, 2025 @ 3:30 PM, COB Room 204