

<p>Carroll County ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES Sandra Zebal, Chair Kim Petry, Vice Chair Tuesday, March 8, 2011, @ 3:00 p.m. Room 003/004, Carroll County Office Building (COB)</p>		<p>Cynthia M. Parr, Chief Administrative Services 225 N Center Street, Westminster, MD 21157-5194 Telephone: 410-386-2232 Fax: 410-386-2485 cparr@ccg.carr.org</p>
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Members Present:

Sandra Zebal, Chair
 Brian Rhoten
 Chris Spaur
 Dan Andrews
 David Pyatt
 Kim Petry
 Robyn Gilden

County Government:

Cynthia Parr, County EAC Liaison
 Tim Burke, Esquire, CAO
 Cindy Myers-Crumbacker, Recording Secretary

Members Absent:

Karen Merkle

Other Attendees:

Karen Leatherwood, Carroll Waste Services
 Judy Smith
 Carrie Knauer, Carroll County Times
 Don West, Waste Not Carroll
 Jon Richardson, CC Health Dept.
 Chuck Ingram, CCG, Public Works

CALL TO ORDER - Ms. Sandra Zebal, Chair, officially called the March 8, 2011, meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. asking for approval of the January 11, 2011 minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MOTION NO. 124 -11: Motion was made by Robyn Gilden, seconded by Dan Andrews, approving the minutes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS –

1. Robyn was contacted by Steve Powell stating that he will let the council know when the proposed additions to the tree ordinance will be on the Agenda and if someone needs to attend. The Budget has top priority right now.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. **Karen Leatherwood – Carroll County Waste Services**

Mrs. Leatherwood spoke to the council about how their trash collection works in Sykesville. A customer buys 20 tags for \$50.00 or \$2.50 per bag. Each bag should weigh no more than 40 lbs. and have 1 tag attached. The bag is to be a 33 gal. size. There is no charge for unlimited recycling. An additional fee is charged for yard waste or a Tote. Positive feedback has been received from the customers. Customers are recycling more and many are putting out less than 40 lbs./33 gal. of trash.

OPEN FORUM

1. Judy Smith of Union Bridge is concerned with the renewal of Lehigh’s Permit by MDE before proposed changes in emissions regulations occur and the existence of less stringent emissions

regulations for cement plants vs. incinerators using refuse derived fuel. There is an Environmental Integrity Report that will be e-mailed to council members.

2. Jay Hull, a local real estate agent, who is also a 5th generation Carroll County family feels his rights as a property owner will be taken away, if the septic ban is approved. Mr. Hull's other concern was about forestation laws which restrict the amount of open land on wooded lots thus limiting buildable space, in his opinion. It was suggested by a council member that he contact county staff for further information regarding the reforestation policy.

OLD BUSINESS –

1. Tree Committee – Brian Rhoten
Two Meetings were held regarding Arbor Day. Suggestions were made to contact Carrie Gaddis of the Carroll County Schools and/or a letter to the Administrator of the Rec. and Parks or Public Works Director to find a place to plant trees.
2. Solid Waste Commission – Dan Andrews
One meeting has been held so far with focus on Waste to Energy. Dan would like the Solid Waste Committee to discuss ways to expand Pay As You Throw, the apparent insufficiency of Carroll County waste to feed an incinerator, and the allegation that a private corporation is seeking a contract to take Carroll County waste to an incinerator in Baltimore.

NEW BUSINESS-

1. The Council would like to contact Emily Peterson from South Carroll High School to see how her composting project is coming along.
2. The Council would like a report from Maria Myers on Recycling updates.
3. The Forestry Ordinance regarding mowing 50' from a property line was brought up again. Donna Davis, County Forester would like this footage reduced.

COUNCIL MEMBERS –

Nothing to report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sandra Zebal announced the next meeting will be held Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 003/004 of the County Office Building.

ADJOURN: MOTION NO. 125-11: Motion made by Dan Andrews, seconded by Kim Petry, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Please inform the secretary if you are unable to attend

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