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Meeting Summary for November 28, 2018

Members

- Curtis Barrett
- Ellen Cutsail (absent)
- Jesse Drummond
- David Hynes
- Charlene Norris
- Craig Paskoski (absent)
- Tiffany VanDerwerker
- Frank Vleck

County Government

- Brenda Dinne, Special Projects Coordinator/
EAC Staff Liaison/Secretary
- Karen Miller, Recording Secretary

Other Attendees

- None

1. CALL TO ORDER –

Mr. Vleck, Chair, officially called the November 28, 2018, meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) to order at 6:32 p.m. in Room 204 of the County Office Building. Note: This meeting was not video recorded.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS & CONCERNS –

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES –

Discussion/Decision:

Approval of the October 17, 2018, minutes was discussed. No changes were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion 324-18: Motion was made by Curtis Barrett and seconded by Charlene Norris to approve the October 17, 2018, meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

4. CHAIR & COMMITTEE REPORTS –

a. Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)

Discussion/Decision:

- The next SWAC meeting is scheduled for December 6.

Action Items:



b. FuTuRe Pilot Program in New Windsor

Discussion/Decision:

- Mr. Vleck shared that the pilot program started in New Windsor on November 6, 2018. The compliance rate is high so far.

Action Items:

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5. STAFF LIASION REPORT –

Discussion/Decision:

- The next meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2019, at 3:00 PM. Agenda items to address will include, but are not limited to:
 - Single-Use Plastic Bags (SUPBs) Report
 - Environmental Stewardship Booklet
- As a member of the Awards Committee, David Hynes will be attending the Carroll County Fair Board meeting on January 23, 2019, to discuss the possibility of holding the Environmental Awareness Awards presentation at the Carroll County 4H & FFA Fair.
- The Annual Joint Meeting with the Board has been scheduled for Thursday, February 7, 2019, at 1:00 PM.
- Mr. Barrett will not be able to attend the January meeting. Mr. Vleck will not be able to attend the February meeting. Mr. Hynes will not be able to attend the March meeting.

Action Items:

- ★ Ms. Dinne: Confirm if agendas need to be posted or the meetings advertised for committee meetings.
- ★ Mr. Barrett Email available dates to other committee members to meet in January.
- ★ Mr. Hynes, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Vleck Meet to discuss initial ideas prior to January 23, if possible.

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

6. NEW BUSINESS –

a. 2018 Annual Report

Discussion/Decision:

The Annual Report was approved with the following changes:

- Since the annual joint meeting date with the Board of County Commissioners has changed from January 31 to February 7, this change will be reflected in the report.
- The spelling of “gray” will be made consistent throughout.
- “Draft” will be removed from the document.

APPROVAL OF THE 2019 MEETING DATES – Motion 325-18: Motion was made by Curtis Barrett and seconded by Jesse Drummond to approve the 2018 Annual Report, as amended. Motion carried.

Action Items:

★ Ms. Dinne: Post approved 2018 Annual Report on EAC webpage.

Reference/Attachment(s):

- [2018 Annual Report](#)

7. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS –

a. 2019 Work Plan – Discussion

Discussion/Decision:

- The Proposed 2019 Work Plan was approved with the following change:
 - ◆ The anticipated completion date of the graywater project was changed to Fall 2019 since there is no movement from MDE yet on the regulations.
- The Board will be presented with the 2019 Work Plan at the Annual Joint Meeting on February 7, 2019. The Board may request at that time for additional projects to be included.

APPROVAL OF THE 2019 MEETING DATES – Motion 326-18: Motion was made by Tiffany VanDerwerker and seconded by Charlene Norris to approve the 2019 Work Plan, as amended. Motion carried.

Action Items:

★ Ms. Dinne: Post approved Proposed 2019 Work Plan on EAC webpage.

Reference/Attachment(s):

- [Proposed 2019 Work Plan](#)

b. Residential Graywater Public Outreach – Update

Discussion/Decision:

- MDE still has not yet released regulations to indicate how this should be implemented.

Action Items:

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Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

c. Single-Use Plastic Bag Reduction Project – Update

Discussion/Decision:

- The EAC will not be providing recommendations for specific options with this report. As with the EPS report, the report will provide background information and available options for the Board’s information only. Possible next steps will be included for the Board’s consideration in the event the Board decides to move forward with any of the options or more specific study.
- The members will revisit the order of content when closer to a complete final draft.
- The members generally felt the content of the current draft under discussion represents the appropriate information needed and is fairly complete. The report is not intended to be a comprehensive, in-depth study. If the Board needs more information, it can be requested, but too much initial information is difficult to wade through.

- The next step is to complete any follow-up items and research the pros and cons of the potential options. A revised draft is anticipated to be sent to the EAC members for review just prior to the January 16 meeting. Some members may be asked to provide additional research.

Action Items:

- ★ Various EAC Members If individually requested, research pros and cons of various potential options for reduction of SUPBs in Carroll County.
- ★ Ms. Dinne Add pros and cons of various options based on additional member research.

Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

8. OTHER –

- Frank Vleck noticed Brick Ridge Inn in Mount Airy, one of the previous Business Category Environmental Awareness Awards winners, is using biodegradable containers instead of EPS.

Action Items:

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Reference/Attachment(s):

- n/a

9. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING –

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, at 3:00 p.m. in the Reagan Room of the County Office Building.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT – MOTION 327-18: Motion was made by Curtis Barrett and seconded by Tiffany VanDerwerker to adjourn the November 28, 2018, meeting. Motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings:

- ☐ Regular Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, January 16, 2019 @ 3:00 PM, Reagan Room, County Office Building
- ☐ Annual Joint Meeting – Thursday, February 7, 2019 @ 1:00 PM, Reagan Room, County Office Building