



Board of Carroll County Commissioners

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Open Session

~ Minutes ~

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Thursday, April 21, 2016

1:30 PM

County Office Building Rm 311

I. Call to Order

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Stephen Wantz	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	President	Present	
Richard Weaver	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Vice-President	Present	
Dennis Frazier	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Secretary	Absent	
Richard Rothschild	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Commissioner	Present	
Doug Howard	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Commissioner	Present	

II. Proclamation Presentation ~ Sexual Assault Awareness Month No. 11-2016

III. Presentation of 2016 Environmental Awareness Awards with the Environmental Advisory Council

The purpose of the awards program is to promote awareness of the environment and acknowledge exemplary accomplishments in the protection, conservation, and improvement of our environmental resources. The Carroll County Commissioners adopted the Environmental Awareness Awards program in 1990 to recognize individuals and groups that have demonstrated these qualities through their actions or projects. The Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) accepts nominations and chooses award recipients biennially for individuals and groups chosen from nominees submitted for consideration by their peers or through self-nomination. Awards are granted for endeavors and projects that result in positive benefit to the environment and have the potential for long-term community environmental benefit in each of five categories: individual, institution, agriculture, business, and student (K-12 & college). The EAC will join the Board of County Commissioners to recognize the recipients and present these special award categories: Individual, Agriculture, Student, and Business. In addition, a special award category - Project of the Year - has been created just for this year in recognition of the collective efforts of the individuals, institutions, and business nominated for their participation in the same initiative.

The Individual Award - In recognition of these countless efforts, the 2016 Individual Award for Environmental Awareness Goes to Ms. Gina Felter.

The Student Award - In recognition of his efforts and initiative, our student award goes to Evan McCarthy. We are also happy to announce that there is an Honorable Mention in the Student Category. The Honorable Mention Award goes to Ryan Rippeon.

The Institution Award - We salute one of our 2016 Institutional Award Winner, Waste Not! Carroll.

The Business Award - In recognizing of these efforts, the 2016 Business Award for Environmental Awareness Goes to Carroll Scrap.

The Agriculture Award - We salute our 2016 Agriculture Award Recipient, Persimmon Tree Farm.

The Project of the Year Award - The "Project of the Year" Award goes to Brett Hackett and Summer Miles as Student Participation; Rick Elyar and Michael Wissel for their Institution Leadership Participation, and to Salerno's Restaurant and Catering for their Business Participation. With guidance from the leadership of the Coastal Conservation Association Central Region Chapter, Rick Elyar and Mike Wissel, high school students Summer Milles and Brett Hackett developed a community awareness and education campaign -- the Living Reef Action Campaign -- surrounding the need for oyster reef restoration and a campaign to recycle oyster shells locally and engage our community through awareness, education, and a multilevel effort to build artificial three-dimensional reef structures to house the new oysters. In partnership with local restaurants, CCA volunteers collect oyster shells and store them at the County Resource Recovery Park, where the County located a large shell recycling dumpster for the group. These shells are then transported to the University of Maryland Horn Point Oyster Lab Hatchery and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to be re-used as incubators for new oyster larvae. The shells are then stored in various locations until the muscle deteriorates from the shell. The shells are then submerged in tanks where larvae are injected into the water. The larvae settle and attach to these shells. At this point, the larva begin to grow. Each recycled shell can generate up to 10 new oysters. These new oysters are then taken to an approved location in the Bay, where they can be introduced to bolster wild oyster populations. Since the program's inception, the group has reached out and partnered with more than 19 local restaurants, including Salerno's Restaurant & Catering, to collect 350 Bushels of oyster shells. In order to create the three-dimensional structure of a new artificial reef, the Coastal Conservation Association engaged Carroll County Public Schools Outdoor School and the Carroll County Public Schools' Outdoor and the Career and Technology Center's masonry class to build concrete reef balls that will also be seeded with oyster larvae and deployed in the Bay to create the reef. The students also inspired the City of Westminster to host an Oyster Stroll in October 2015, at which time more than 2,000 people strolled down city sidewalks and sampled aquaculture-produced oysters from eight different farms in Maryland and Virginia, all while learning from displays about the value of oyster and oyster reefs to the Bay's ecosystem.

IV. Public Hearing ~ Proposed Amendments to Chapter 94 Parks & Recreation (Public Comment will be taken during the Public Hearing)

On February 18, 2016, the Department of Recreation and Parks proposed the following changes to the Parks and Recreation Ordinance for Carroll County

- Section 94.053 Add Hap Baker Firearms Facility to allow for use of firearms on site
- Add Section 94.058 Add metal detecting under Recreational Activities
- Add Section 94.059 Add geocaching under Recreational Activities
- Add Section 94.060 Add remote control/unmanned aircraft and model rockets
- Section 94.113 Change Administrator to Director; change Office to Department
- Section 94.114 Revise Permanent Ban to allow for shorter suspensions up to and including permanent ban, communicated by Director instead of only current option of permanent ban
- Section 94.115 Change Administrator to Director; change Office to Department

The Board of County Commissioners voted to proceed to a public hearing regarding the proposed amendments. No one being in attendance and, therefore, no comments

received the Board voted to close the hearing and leave the record open for ten (10) days.

1. **Motion To:** close the public hearing and leave the record open for ten days

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Doug Howard, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Richard Weaver, Vice-President
AYES:	Stephen Wantz, Richard Weaver, Richard Rothschild, Doug Howard
ABSENT:	Dennis Frazier

V. Public Comment ~ Item VI

None

VI. Briefing/Discussion/Possible Decision ~ Request Approval to Submit Grant Application to The Maryland Department of the Environment F-17 Cycling - Public Works

The MD Department of the Environment is offering a grant to County governments to increase recycling of electronic devices.

Carroll County currently operates a permanent electronics recycling program at the Northern Landfill and Recycling Center. In 2015, the County collected 67 tons through this program. This grant would enable the County to expand its current program to include televisions and computer monitors.

This grant will enable the County to continue its efforts to keep electronics from the waste stream, saving valuable landfill capacity and protecting the public health and the environment from potential effects of harmful metals and chemicals that may leach from these devices.

1. **Motion To:** approve the grant application for FY17 E-Cycling Grant submission of the FY 2017 Maryland Electronic Collection and Recycling Program Grant/MD Department of the Environment in the amount of \$15,000

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Doug Howard, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Richard Weaver, Vice-President
AYES:	Stephen Wantz, Richard Weaver, Richard Rothschild, Doug Howard
ABSENT:	Dennis Frazier

VII. Approval/Adoption of Minutes

1. Tuesday, April 12, 2016
2. Thursday, April 14, 2016

VIII. Administrative Session ~ Open

The following issues were discussed:

1. Review of draft public agendas for the weeks of April 25, 2016 and May 2, 2016
2. Signing of Documents

IX. Briefing/Discussion/ Possible Decision ~ Request Approval to submit to Maryland DHR the FY17 Consolidated Homeless Services Grant Application in the amount of \$108,359.00

The MD Department of Human Resources (DHR) offers funding each year to support homeless programs throughout the state. DHR has revised their grant process and consolidated all grants into a single application; therefore, approval is sought today to apply for the following grants:

Emergency and Transitional Housing Support (ETHS) ~ the operation of HSP's 8 bed Men's Shelter; in FY15 this shelter provided 1,970 bed nights to 40 homeless men. 22% of those served exited to permanent housing and 39% exited to transitional housing.

Homeless Prevention Program (HPP) ~ HSP's robust Homeless Prevention program helped 29 Carroll County households remain in their homes in FY15.

Housing Counselor and After Care ~ New application to search for housing for homeless households.

Service Linked Housing (SLH) ~ Supports the salary of a case manager for clients in HSP's Rental Assistance Program; in FY15 this program served 16 homeless families (23 adults, 34 children) with rental stipends for up to 12 months. The case manager provides support to transition the clients to permanent housing.

As the applicant, the County through the Department of Citizen Services provides fiscal and programmatic oversight for each grant. Funding has been flat for these grants for many years and remains flat for FY17. As DHR works on the reorganization of their grant programs, they will provide more information on future funding.

1. **Motion To:** approve the submission of the FY17 Consolidated Homeless Services Grant Application to MD DHR

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Stephen Wantz, President
SECONDER:	Richard Weaver, Vice-President
AYES:	Stephen Wantz, Richard Weaver, Richard Rothschild, Doug Howard
ABSENT:	Dennis Frazier

X. Public Comment

Citizen comment(s): no citizen comments

XI. Recess ~ 2:43 PM

1. **Motion To:** recess until 3:30 PM and then adjourn after the Poster Contest and Proclamation No. 08-2016

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Richard Rothschild, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Richard Weaver, Vice-President
AYES:	Stephen Wantz, Richard Weaver, Richard Rothschild, Doug Howard
ABSENT:	Dennis Frazier

XII. Carroll County Association of Realtors Poster Contest & Proclamation No. 08-2016

Commissioner Wantz read Proclamation No. 08-2016 proclaiming Fair Housing Month entitled "Dreams Come True With Fair Housing". Because of the diverse range in ages, emphasis was focused first on how the theme was depicted, not necessarily the quality was focused first on how the theme was depicted, not necessarily the quality of the artwork. This year, they had a total of 21 participants from three (3) county schools - Eldersburg Elementary, Runnymede Elementary, and North Carroll Community School.

Honorable Mentions Winners:

Brianna Anderson - Eldersburg Elementary School/Mrs. Slagle
 Lilly Barnes - Eldersburg Elementary School/Mrs. Slagle
 Jordan Blackburn - North Carroll Community School/Mrs. Evans
 Preston Doe - Eldersburg Elementary School/Mrs. Slagle
 Colleen Dunne - Eldersburg School/ Mrs. Slagle
 A.J. Hiner - Runnymede Elementary School/Mrs. Bopst
 Amy Liu - Eldersburg Elementary School/Mrs. Slagle
 Fiona Mullen - Eldersburg Elementary School/Mrs. Slagle
 Alayna Rodoff - Eldersburg Elementary School/Mrs. Slagle
 Hailey Tees- Eldersburg Elementary School/Mrs. Slagle
 Kaitlyn Wong -- Eldersburg Elementary School/Mrs. Slagle

First, Second, and Third Placement Winners:

3rd Place Winner - Claire Chin, Eldersburg Elementary School
 2nd Place Winner - Elyse Seligman, Eldersburg Elementary School
 1st Place Winner - Julia Verrill, Eldersburg Elementary School

XIII. Adjourn ~ 3:52 PM

1. Motion To: adjourn

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Richard Rothschild, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Richard Weaver, Vice-President
AYES:	Stephen Wantz, Richard Weaver, Richard Rothschild, Doug Howard
ABSENT:	Dennis Frazier