



Climate Change & Sustainability Advisory Committee

Subject	Monthly CC&SAC Meeting		
Date, Time, Location	05/12/2021, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom		
Facilitator	Tim Lattimer, Chair	Scribe	

AGENDA

OR

MINUTES

Members: Tim Lattimer, Tracey Manning, Sara Via, Bob Marietta, Katherine McCarter, John Klein, Luke W, Roberto Martin, Julija Sajauskas, Brooke Abercrombie
CA: Ginny Thomas, Jeremy Scharfenberg

1. Call to Order & Approval of Agenda (2 mins)

Agenda approved unanimously

2. CA Staff & Board Liaison Update (5 mins)

CA is electrifying a couple buildings with clean energy
Ginny wants to work with Shari, the watershed committee and our committee work on stream erosion

Sara V to work bill Bill Mahoney from the county on an idea
not mow up to edge of stream, plant deep rooted native grasses like VA wild rye

Other ideas: Schools, bioretention ponds, weed warriors for HS students

CA is potentially doing a questionnaire as well, will look into what it's about and when it will be sent. May just be general feedback.

3. Old Business (5 mins)

- April 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Unanimously approved

4. New Business (45 mins) Updates on:

- Climate Vulnerability Assessment



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- starting with Wilde Lake
- outreach later in process
- crowdsourcing for GIS
 - questionnaire going out soon
- keep ESB in the loop

- Regenerative Landscaping
 - We are meeting tomorrow to finalize plants to publicize Yards Alive in connection with the OM Plant Sale later this month.
 - The website is up and running (thanks Jeremy, Danielle and the CA IT folks). There is a link in the draft annual report.
 - We have added a couple of new homes to the google map (thanks Ginny for the leads).
 - The Yards Alive blog has interesting submissions ranging from how to establish a pollinator garden on your balcony to expanding or starting a pollinator garden. Take a look at the blog!
www.yardsaliveom.com
 - May 22 is the plant sale, formal launch

- Food Waste
 - Sara did a webinar to the UU church on food waste
 - group to meet to discuss future plans
- Community Engagement
 - created a survey to send to collaboration organization members
 - hoping they can help to get our work out as well
- Developments & Initiatives
 - HoCobyDesign - sessions
 - [New Town/Columbia Design Sessions | HoCo By Design](#)
 - Stormwater mgt with Symphony Woods - Kevin McAliley, Tracey Manning, John Klein
- Legislation
 - CB17 Solar - Passed with extensive amendments
 - to update and add definitions related to solar collector equipment; to eliminate the
 - requirement for a glare study; to add certain reviews by the Agricultural Preservation
 - Board; to allow rooftop commercial and accessory ground mount solar collectors in
 - all zoning districts; to allow commercial ground-mount solar collector facilities in
 - certain zoning districts ; to limit the size of commercial ground-mount solar collector



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- facilities on certain parcels that are in the Agricultural Land Preservation Program;
- and generally relating to the Howard County Zoning Regulations.
- FY21 Annual Report / FY22 Charge
 - committee to review/edit by Wed. May 19.

5. Action Item Recap / Announcements / Look Ahead (10 mins)

Actions:

Have CVA and comm. eng. meeting (Tim)

HoCobyDesign meetings (all)

Find out what this other CA survey is (Jeremy)

Sara to work w/John and WSA

Committee to review/edit by Wed. May 19. (all)

Announcements:

Biden announcements on climate and EJ

Our work to advise/encourage planting deep rooted native plants will help the Bay

Encourage residents to get soil test so they don't over fertilize

Residential outreach could be needed for this topic

Ches. Bay report: [2020 State of the Bay Report - Chesapeake Bay Foundation \(cbf.org\)](https://www.cbf.org/2020-state-of-the-bay-report)

6. Adjourn / Next Meeting – June 9, 2021, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

- a. We may meet at Sara's house next outdoors to view her sample/pilot plots of lawn mimics