

**COUNTY OF FAIRFAX  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY COUNCIL (EQAC)  
MINUTES**

**DATE: May 11, 2022  
TIME: Start: 7:15 pm – End: 8:58 pm  
LOCATION: Virtual via Microsoft Teams**

**EQAC Member Attendance**

Name	Present Absent*	Name	Present Absent*
Stella Koch (Chairman, At-Large)	P	Larry Zaragoza (Vice Chairman, Mount Vernon)	P
Johna Gagnon (Lee)	P	Renee Grebe (At-Large)	P
Richard Healy (Mason)	P	Mackenzie Nordai (Student Member)	P
Kenneth Gubin (Dranesville)	P	George Lamb (At-Large)	P
Ken Lanfear (Hunter Mill)	P	Bryan Campbell (Braddock)	P
Vacant (Providence)		Mike Zatz (At-Large)	A
Rich Weisman (Sully)	P	Clyde Wilber (Springfield)	P

\* P indicates present; A indicates absent

**Staff Attendance**

Matthew Meyers, Office of Environmental and Energy Coordination (OEEC)  
Kelly Naylor, OEEC  
Maya Dhavale, OEEC

**Visitor Attendance**

Barbara Bacon  
Rick Galliher  
Elizabeth Lonoff  
Laura Grape, Fairfax County Park Authority  
Elaine Kolish

**Agenda Items, Discussion, Decisions and Votes**

1. Electronic meeting findings and determinations

Chairman Koch read the electronic meeting findings and determinations and passed the gavel to Vice-Chairman Zaragoza. Chairman Koch then MOVED, and Mr. Wilber seconded, that each member’s voice may be adequately heard by each other member of the Environmental Quality Advisory Council. Adopted by voice vote.

2. Student Membership Applications

Mr. Meyers reported that a total of three student membership applications had been received, all from McLean High School. There was a discussion on the lack of applications that the council received this year. Mr Gubin and Mr. Weisman will review the applications received and make a recommendation on a new student member to the council next month.

3. Environmental Excellence Awards

Staff provided an update on the nomination process. The 2022 nomination form is available on EQAC website.

4. Annual Report on the Environment (ARE)

- County staff has provided written responses to last year's ARE and are available to go over responses.
- Goal to get 2022 ARE to the Board of Supervisors in November and have ARE in draft form by end of September.
- Discussion on having Fairfax Water present at July EQAC meeting, as well as issues to be discussed.
- Discussion on presentation of draft ARE chapters in June, July, and August.
- Stormwater staff being asked to present at June meeting about flooding risk.
- Mr. Zaragoza asked about having a community energy presentation.

5. Fairfax County Strategic Plan Update

- County staff reviewing sample metrics and looking at which to pursue.
- No further public input anticipated at this stage.
- YouTube video available of Strategic Plan update development. [Strategic Plan 2022 video update](#)
- Staff was asked about having a presentation in September from county staff on the Strategic Plan update and how the metrics were developed and will be used.

6. Discussion of CECAP Recommendations

Staff is developing suggestions on priorities for implementing CECAP recommendations. Staff will be presenting to the Board of Supervisors Environment on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Discussion on outreach and education initiatives, as well as implementation strategies.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes.

Need someone to review April meeting and draft minutes.

8. Chairman Items

Budget letter went out late and the data center letter went out today. Looking to have a joint EQAC/ Planning Commission meeting on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

9. Council Member Items

- Mr. Weisman has a meeting set up with his Supervisor.
- Mr. Lamb asked about council liaison staff setting up meetings with county staff.
- Mr. Zaragoza talked about a possible Covanta visit and the process of following up on county staff responses to ARE.
- Ms. Gagnon asked about getting updated membership roster. Staff to send out.
- Ms. Grebe provided an update on environmental budget items, especially natural resource funding. Provided brief presentation on Spicewood Court property in Annandale.

10. Staff Items

Policy sent out today to council members for future electronic meeting participation.  
Awaiting appointment of a new Providence member.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm.