
**TOWN OF CARRBORO
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD – SUMMARY**



Meeting on May 7th, 2009 at 7:00 pm, Century Center

Board Members		Guests	Staff
Jennifer Winston	Randee Haven O'Donnell		Randy Dodd
Tom Mullen (absent)	Lynn Weller (acting chair)		
Andreas Hay (absent)	Dana Stidham		
Diana Tetens (absent)	Matthew Arnsberger		

Call to Order, Administrative Matters

Lynn called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm.

Discussion of Livestock of Provisions

The EAB discussed the topic of livestock provisions as a follow up to discussion at a BOA meeting. Dana asked about her participation given that she had signed a petition distributed by Marianne Prince. A general list of topics discussed includes: fencing; setbacks; types of animals to consider and considerations for different animals; noise and other nuisances; waste management and public health—including effects on solid waste streams. Matthew offered to draft some material for EAB review at a future meeting.

EAB Response to Board Request for Development Review Feedback

In October 2008, the BOA asked staff to follow up with the EAB to review recent development review comments prepared by the EAB. Randy provided a report to the EAB that included a presentation of the BOA discussion and request, compilation of EAB comments, staff analysis of opportunities for additional consideration based on comments and current Planning Department priority projects, and a summary of possible follow up actions for the EAB to consider. The EAB received the report and requested time to further review and deliberate on how to proceed.

Sustainability Task Force Status Report

Randy provided a report pursuant to the Planning Board's presentation to the BOA recommending the establishment of a Sustainability Task Force. The report summarized the consideration of this Task Force. A short discussion followed regarding possibilities for the EAB's participation in Task Force activities.

Other Matters

The EAB had a short discussion of possible projects or areas of interest that the EAB might want to explore. Dana expressed an interest in looking into management of equipment with small engines such as leaf blowers. Her interest is motivated by the high emissions associated with these machines.

The EAB discussed membership and recruiting given current member situations. Randy reported that he had an email exchange with Diana in which she expressed some uncertainty about remaining on the EAB. Given that there is no current vacancy, no action was taken. Discussion included timing of recruiting (e.g., in consideration of summer schedule) and possibility of temporary "leave of absence".

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 4th, 2009, 7:00 pm at Town Hall.