



**NEW KENT COUNTY CLEAN COUNTY COMMITTEE**  
**MARCH 12, 2019, 6:00 PM**  
**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**  
**MINUTES**

**IN RE: CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Bonner called the meeting to order at 6:05PM.

**IN RE: ROLL CALL**

Attendance:

Mrs. Martha Eagle	Present
Ms. Marion Shackford	Present
Ms. Jacqueline Clardy-Josephs	Present
Ms. Serra Swartout	Present
Ms. Cecelia Garner	Present
Mrs. Earlyne Leary	Absent ( <i>arrived 6:29PM</i> )
Mr. Brandon Bonner	Present

Also, present: Honorable Patricia A. Paige, Supervisor, District 3  
Justin Stauder, Environmental Director  
Gail Carey, Administrative Assistant – Environmental Department  
New Kent Middle School Recycle Club members  
Mrs. Day – New Kent Middle School Teacher – Sponsor of NKMS Recycle Club  
Lelia McKee – Citizen  
Mike Nino – Citizen  
Joe Swartout - Citizen

It was determined that a quorum was established through a roll call.

**IN RE: OFFICER ELECTIONS**

1. Election of 2019 Secretary

Mr. Bonner decided to skip this until the April 2019 meeting.

**IN RE: MINUTES APPROVAL**

The committee reviewed the January 8, 2019 minutes. Mrs. Eagle made a motion to approve the February minutes. This motion to approve was seconded by Ms. Garner. The members were polled and the motion was passed.

**IN RE: NEW KENT MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTATION**

The New Kent Middle School Recycle Club, along with teacher sponsor Mrs. Day, spoke to the committee regarding a long-term composter project. The project, to reduce waste and include recyclable paper as a biomass fuel or to create an agricultural compost, must be housed in a separate building. This would be a student run program who in turn would include the community. Some suggestions were to have the program also partner with Virginia Tech and/or the College of William and Mary. Mrs. Day mentioned to the committee that a project, similar to the presentation, was the first of its kind at a school she taught at in Reed Springs, Missouri.

Mr. Bonner appointed Ms. Swartout and Mrs. Eagle to work in partnership with New Kent Middle School regarding this project.

## **IN RE: BUDGET**

Mrs. Carey provided each member a copy of the current budget. Mrs. Carey mentioned to the committee as of the meeting time, she had not received any written quotes from the vendors who were to be participating in the March 30, 2019 recycling event. Mr. Bonner mentioned that he would contact Mrs. Paige regarding vendors.

## **IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Lelia McKee, representing Diascund Creek Homeowner's Association, spoke to the committee regarding the appearance of litter within the county and cleanups in her neighborhood. Mrs. McKee also stated that in two (2) hours she had filled three (3) bags of trash. Ms. McKee expressed interest in a cleanup on Egypt Road and inquired how to become involved in community cleanups. Mr. Stauder informed Mrs. McKee about the availability of the Litter Kits and encouraged her to contact the Environmental Department to reserve a kit for clean-up efforts.

Mr. Mike Nino, representing Woodhaven Homeowner's Association, also spoke to the committee and expressed his concern over what appeared to be an increase in the amount of litter within the county. Mr. Nino stated that his main concerns were Henpeck Road and Route 640. Mr. Nino also said that the current appearance of the county is embarrassing due to all of the litter. Mr. Nino also mentioned that he would like to see permanent signs throughout the county that address littering and fines associated with littering. Mrs. Eagle agreed with Mr. Nino regarding the permanent signs and stated that was a goal of the committee.

Mr. Joe Swartout stated that he felt there appeared to be more litter along the roadsides due to the ongoing I-64 construction. Mr. Swartout suggested perhaps citizens need to reach out to the sheriff's department when observing littering in progress. Mr. Swartout also suggested about the possibility of the New Kent County Clean County Committee hosting a workshop with county HOA's and a community wide meeting to address the littering situation.

## **IN RE: CVWMA**

Mrs. Paige mentioned to the committee the CVWMA would be in attendance at the upcoming Board of Supervisors meeting on March 11, 2019. Also, April is designated as Earth Month, community pride.

## **IN RE: KEEP NEW KENT BEAUTIFUL DAY**

Mrs. Leary mentioned to the committee that she had been in contact with HOA for The Colonies and Deerlake subdivision. Mrs. Leary also said that she had contacted Stran Trout to inform about the upcoming event.

Mrs. Paige reported that at the recent Board of Supervisor's meeting, Kate Ferris and Ron Stiers announced they would be hosting a community wide clean up day on April 13, 2019.

Mrs. Paige informed the committee that she recently visited VDOT and was provided approximately 250 orange trash bags to distribute to citizens during the recycling event.

Mr. Stauder suggested for the committee to draft a press release to inform the citizens about the upcoming recycling event.

The committee discussed and agreed that tires on rims would not be accepted at the event, nor would farm or industrial tires – this information would be included on the press release.

Mrs. Eagle reminded committee members about wearing their tee shirts and meeting onsite at 8AM on March 30, 2019.

Mrs. Eagle also mentioned that she and Mrs. Leary would be placing caution tape in certain areas of the Administration parking lot to designate where the recycling trucks would park.

Mrs. Eagle confirmed that Food Lion would provide water for the event.

Mrs. Eagle also mentioned that her husband would volunteer with directing traffic during the event.

Mrs. Paige informed the committee that Ms. Garner would send the event information to community churches and provide a copy to Mr. Hathaway. Also, the county would pay for an advertisement in the NKCC Chronicle.

Mrs. Paige discussed with the committee the vendor fees of \$175 per hour for shredding; the county would pay for any fees over \$2,300 to the electronic vendor; and the tire recycling vendor fee of approximately

\$1,000 – trailer to be staged onsite on Friday, March 29, 2019. Mrs. Paige also reminded the committee that no refrigerators, or other items, containing freon would be accepted at the event.

Ms. Clardy-Josephs would compose the press release and provide it to Ms. Garner for distribution.

The committee had been informed that a local scout troop would be on hand to assist during the event, as would members of the Junior Beta Club.

Mr. Bonner and Ms. Swartout would be unable to attend the event since they were to be out of town.

The committee members agreed that citizens would be responsible for disposing of their own tires on the tire trailer.

### **IN RE: UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at 6:00pm.

### **IN RE: ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Ms. Shackford to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Ms. Garner. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Carey  
Recording Secretary