

Baltimore County Advisory Commission on Environmental Quality (CEQ)
Agenda for Meeting of January 24, 2024

7 pm Welcome. Our new procedure for gaining access to this building for our meetings has begun. Thank you to Brian Lindley for unlocking the building's door for CEQ at 6:45 pm, and to Radu for serving as Brian's backup for this task. The rota for CEQ commissioners to remain at the door from 6:45 to 7 pm (and subsequently be available by text) has been distributed for 2024. Comments and ideas are welcome.

7:10 pm Speaker: Anthony Russell, Jr., Acting Deputy Director for Transportation, DPWT, will provide an update on current practices and goals for Road Salt in Baltimore County.

7:40 pm Q & A

7:55 pm Updating the CEQ Road Salt report of 2009. Linda will speak on recruiting Commissioners for performing specific tasks and provide the outline of the report. Everyone, please sign up to write some part of this, obtain factual data, and/or check reference sources.

8:10 pm Update on CEQ Workgroup on Baltimore County Weed Ordinance (County Code 13-7-401) -Members are Brian Fath, Lois Jacobs, Steve Malan, Carol Newill.

- Our report has been posted on CEQ webpage.
- 12/8/23 Carol, Steve, and Kirsten Hoffman (of Green Towson Alliance, who spoke to CEQ on 9/27/23) met with Councilmember David Marks.
- 1/8/24, Carol, Steve and Kirsten met with PAI Director Pete Gutwald and Chief of Code Inspection and Enforcement Adam Whitlock.
- A set of examples of managed, low-impact landscaping is being developed which could be used by PAI inspectors to guide fair and consistent evaluation of complaints.
- Current need: All Commissioners please contact your Councilmember about adding "managed low-impact landscaping" to the list of exceptions to the Weed Ordinance, give them the CEQ report, and provide the workgroup with any questions or feedback.

8:20 pm Minutes of 12/6/24 - Correct and approve.

8:25 New thoughts or opportunities?

Next CEQ meetings in 2024: 2/28, 3/27, 4/24, 5/22, 9/25, 10/23, 12/4.