



Annapolis Environmental Commission 2010 Annual Report

Duties: To be concerned with the protection and improvement of the natural health and welfare of the environment; to coordinate recycling activities; to identify specific environmental problems; and to review matters before other City bodies affecting the environment

Attendance:

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Christine Kamenoff	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Daniel B. Haas	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓			✓
Diane Butler	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Marie Rinaldi Gough	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rachael Rachfal	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	
Suzanne Pogell, chair	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Theodore C. Weber	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Virginia DeLuca	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Virginia Ganley	✓	✓		✓						NA	NA	NA

Accomplishments:

- ✎ Worked toward getting an educational eco-niche at the Market House by submitting a proposal to the Mayor.
- ✎ Consulted with Council Committee Chair about the AEC working closer with the Council’s Environmental Matters committee,
- ✎ Created Environmental Commission website with resources and educational materials for residents.
- ✎ Performed research on recycling compactors, specifically looking at Philadelphia.
- ✎ Attended meeting of regional Environmental Commissions, learned about a back yard habitat program for the Bowie community.
- ✎ Worked with Administration staff on developing boards and commissions
- ✎ Helped to plant 30 shrubs and 25 perennials along Jefferson Street near Park Place.
- ✎ The Commission created three subcommittees: Market House Eco-Niche, Stormwater Runoff, and Grant Writing.
- ✎ Discussed further outreach opportunities for educating the public about stormwater management and recycling.
- ✎ Raised issue of no recycle bins in the city parks, and discussed using commission money to help rectify the situation.
- ✎ Participated in development of City’s Greening City Grant
- ✎ Worked with Frank Biba to submit a grant application for a \$35,000 grant for the planning stages of a watershed project mentioned in the 2009 Watershed Plan.

- The project chosen from this plan was the Bay Ridge/Georgetown East, Phase one, which is a wetlands construction to slow the drainage into Back Creek.
- 🍃 Volunteered at DNEP Rain Barrel and Compost bin Sale.
 - 🍃 Hosted Julie Winters, Anne Arundel Watershed Master Steward, to discuss pet waste disposal and guidelines for pet waste disposal stations and adopted installation of pet waste stations as a primary budget item.
 - 🍃 Produced more copies of the Environmental Waypoint brochures.
 - 🍃 Staffed an educational table at Eastport-a-rockin, created and distributed survey for feedback on environmental interests and involvement.
 - 🍃 Maintained recycling at the Truxtun tennis courts.
 - 🍃 Spoke on environmental perspective at City's Mobility Matters summit and participated on follow up teams
 - 🍃 Hosted Truxtun Park facilities manager to discuss further recycling options.
 - 🍃 Received two educational signs about rain gardens from the Chesapeake Ecology Center.
 - 🍃 Drew on MD DNR staff to hold joint educational meeting with Council's Environmental Matters Committee about Chesapeake Bay TMDLs and the Watershed Implementation Plans.
 - 🍃 Hosted Annapolis DPW staff Cindy Tate regarding commercial recycling
 - 🍃 Hosted Annapolis DPW staff Matt Sebastian regarding stormwater management issues and green city projects.
 - 🍃 Participated in City Dock Advisory committee Meetings