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Board Meeting Minutes | February 28, 2019 **FINAL**

The monthly meeting of the Board of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations opened at 7:30 p.m. at Braddock Hall. Attending were:

Board Member (as of Feb 2019)	Present	District Council Rep.	Committee or Support Position	Elected Position
Bill Barfield	X		Legislation	President
Monica Billger			Environment	
Leslie Braun	X		Finance	Treasurer
Karen Campblin			Land Use, Transportation	
Karen Conchar			Land Use	
Matt Dunne	X		Membership	1 st Vice President
David Edelman	X		Budget	
Debbie Fraser		Mason		
Gabe Goldberg	X		Public Safety	
Dennis Hays			Library	
Don Hinman			Citizen Association Services	
Kathy Kaplan			Library	
Alejandro Mattiuzzo			Finance	2 nd Vice President
Catherine Mortensen	X		Human Services	
Jeff Parnes	X	Sully	Transportation, COY, Resolutions, Webmaster	
Mike Perel	X	Braddock	Human Services	
Ed Saperstein	X		Education, Finance	
Sue Shuman	X		Citizen Association Services	
Dean Sherick			Public Safety	
Pete Sitnik	X	Mount Vernon	Nominating	
Patrick Smaldore	X		Public Safety	
Tim Thompson			Budget, Legis., Nominating	Past President
Nancy Trainer			Education, Nominating	
Flint Webb	X	Providence	Environment, Nominating	Recording Secretary
Ed Wyse	X	Springfield		
Erika Yalowitz				Correspond. Secretary
(vacant)		Lee		

Call to Order/Welcome – Bill Barfield

Meeting Minutes – Recording Secretary:

Approve December Board minutes: Motion to accept Pete, second Gabe – Approved by acclamation

Approve January Board Minutes – Flint requested that that his January 22nd e-mail as the Environment committee with the attached spreadsheet of conservation legislative



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issues be added to the minutes as an attachment. Flint motioned to approve the minutes as amended, Gabe seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Administrative Topics

President – Bill Barfield: New Co-Chair Human Services Committee

Bill has appointed Catherine Mortensen to be co-chair of the Human Services Committee. The Board approved the appointment by voice vote.

1st VP – Matt Dunne: Membership status

Matt has put together a PowerPoint that he plans to use to increase membership. He plans to focus on initial recruiting in Mount Vernon District.

2nd VP – Alejandro Mattiuzzo: No report

Treasurer – Leslie Braun:

Finances report; As of end of January we had \$14,213. There was one reimbursement to Bill.

No new members since January.

501(c)3 status. Leslie spoke to IRS today and they will send us the information about the status.

Recording Secretary – Nothing to report.

Old Business

2019 Legislative Issues Status – Bill

AI – Ed Saperstien will update education committee bill discussions

AI – Flint to check out status of road salt and fertilizer bill and give it to Bill Barfield and Tim

AI – Bill to send the draft to the board to re-confirm the status of bills.

Other - from floor

New Business

The Fairfax Committee of 100 query – Bill. The Committee of 100 inquired whether the Fairfax Committee of 100 can merge with the Federation. Pete suggested that they might be able to be a committee. Flint suggested that we suggest that they consult their own Board about what to do (there were 3 Committee of 100 Board members who serve on the Federation board that heard of this option for the first time tonight).

Large communities joining Federation - Bill. Flint suggested that they could join as a member organization and that they could propose someone to serve as a committee chair. Matt proposed a motion to create a committee to evaluate the feasibility of revising the bylaws to accommodate other types of organizations such as the Fairfax Committee of 100 and hybrid homeowner organizations. Peter seconded the motion. The motion carried. Matt suggested that we could just adding the Membership committee to fulfil the purpose of the motion. Matt and Jeff Parnes agreed to serve on the committee.

District Council Reports (oral brief or written attachment)

Braddock – Mike Perel

Lee - vacant

Mason – Debbie Fraser

Mount Vernon – Pete Sitnik.

GALA scheduled for May 4, 2019 is being rescheduled.

We the Board of the MVCCA regret to inform you that due to unforeseeable circumstances our MVCCA 50th Anniversary Celebration Gala to recognize people who have made significant contributions to the Mount Vernon District and Fairfax County is being postponed to a later date. Special thanks to our sponsors, those that may have been interested in attending, invitees, and the committee for their hard work. All ticket and sponsor money will be refunded. The Board appreciates the support and will let members and the community know of a rescheduled date as soon as practicable.

There was a Martigra meeting last weekend. It was very well attended and a lot of fun.

The Mount Vernon Council adopted a budget resolution drafted by the Education committee. It was mostly a happy resolution but it called for the tax rate to be set to allow for flexibility. There is a new Environment Committee chair.

See **Appendix 1** for the full report.

Providence – Flint Webb

The subject of the February 13 PDC meeting was the Blake Lane Park/School site. FCPS feels that they will need a new elementary school. The Blake Lane Park site was selected because it was originally land that was set aside for a school.

However the Friends of Blake Lane Park provides a compelling argument that 1) a new elementary school is not really required based on recent history of decreasing enrollment, 2) the area has a deficit of parks which will be exacerbated if the Blake Lane Park is closed, and 3) there are already two other elementary schools in the area. Their PowerPoint presentation can be found at

(<https://www.fcps.edu/node/37531>). Dalia Palchik, the Providence District School board member, tried to defend the decision to select Blake Lane Park for the new school site without any support from FCPS. She went through the recently released answers to the questions from the January 16th public hearing held

(<https://www.fcps.edu/node/37531>). FCPS staff continue to work on responses. Ms. Palchik assured the Friends of Blake Lane Park that the project is not going forward at this time. It is important to note that Dalia Palchik has announced her intent to run for Providence District Supervisor.

There is more on this issue in the Environment Committee Report.

Springfield – Ed Wyse – No report

Sully - Jeff Parnes

Sully dealt with a property in Dranesville because there was no local groups that are considering it. Jeff thinks it is a property that should be evaluated by the Federation Land Use Committee. A full report is available in **Appendix 2**.

Committee Reports (oral brief or written attachment)

Citizen of the Year Award & Banquet – Jeff Parnes

The COY Dinner is scheduled for 7 April at the Tysons Corner Doubletree Hotel. The COY will be Cathy Lebec. The Citation of Merit awardees are Alberto Sangiorgio and Tania Hossain. John Ribble will be awarded a special Gratitude Award. Jeff is looking for volunteers to help stuffing envelopes. Please visit the doodlepoll to select the time(s) that would work for you (<https://doodle.com/poll/33u6f5p73gqxqe22>).

A full report in **Appendix 3**.

Web Page – Jeff - updates on Board distro emails list

The Fed Board Distribution list was updated. See **Appendix 4** for the list of board e-mails.

Audit – Scott Schlegel

The audit committee has met and are working on their report.

Web Page Improvement– Bill Barfield

Bill has been putting together ideas for the Web page Committee

GoogleDocs - Matt Dunn

Google Docs wanted to see our 401(c)(3) documentation to set up the account. Jeff wants to be in the loop about what Matt is doing.

UAS Drones – John Birch and Gabe Goldberg

Drones taskforce report. The task force has come up with Version 3 of the policy and held public comment meetings. The policy is open for final comments soon. The policy will then go to the BOS Public Safety Committee (committee of the whole) for referral to the BOS. www.Fairfaxcounty.gov/UAS.

A motion was made to establish a special UAS(Drone) committee to monitor the County's UAS program. The motion carried with one dissenting vote.

The drone task force is in the process of finishing up the slide deck that will be used to present to the BOS Public Safety Committee on Tuesday, March 12. at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Conference Room 11, 11 am.

Amazon Impact– David Edelman

David doesn't anticipate doing anything until after the budget resolution has been completed.

Budget – David Edelman & Tim Thompson

The highlights are a flat tax rate. \$26M Metro payment. Schools are getting fully funded for their request. County employees are not getting the full Market Rate Adjustments but the steps and longevities are being funded. However, we have a structural deficit problem.

Citizens Association Services – Don Hinman & Sue Shuman

Education – Ed Saperstein & Nancy Trainer

Senator Favola had a Republican ally to work with on city/county tax authority. The bill died but there was increasing support this year.

Environment - Flint Webb & Monica Billger

Add information about the 5G towers and the solar collector farm in Western Spotsylvania county. The full report is **Attachment 5**.

Mike suggested that we should have a plant NOVA Natives speaker.

Human Services - Mike Perel & Catherine Mortensen

Mike has put together a resolution about robocalls. Gabe suggested that the County should be pressured to require phone companies to enable nomorobo (anti-robo call application). <https://www.nomorobo.com/> does work on cell phones but charges \$1.99/month. It does not work on copper lines or on a digital line that does not offer simultaneous ringing, such as the current Cox service. Gabe mentioned that Cox was intending to add simultaneous ringing by the end of the year to its digital service.

Land Use - Karen Campblin & Karen Conchar

Library - Kathy Kaplan & Dennis Hayes

Legislation - Tim Thompson & Bill Barfield

Membership - Matt Dunne & Shaista Keating

Public Safety - Patrick Smaldore, Gabe Goldberg & Dean Sherick

Patrick talked to the police about the budget.

Patrick also discussed the FBI Washington Field Office Citizens Academy program.

For more information about the Citizens Academy program see **Attachment 6**,

Resolutions - Jeff Parnes

Transportation - Jeff Parnes & Karen Campblin

Jeff made a pitch to encourage people to attend the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Community Leadership Institute (CLI). The CLI will be meeting April 18, 24 and May 2. For more information see the Transportation Committee Report **Attachment 7**.

Website - Jeff Parnes

Next Meetings

Board Meeting: March 21, 2019, Dunn Loring Center, Approve Budget Resolution

Membership Meeting: March 28, 2019, Fairfax County Government Center,
Review of Federation Resolution on the Fairfax Advertised 2020 Budget

Motion to adjourn approved

9:40

Attachments:



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Appendix 1: The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, Inc. (MVCCA)

February 28, 2019

- Wednesday, 13 February: MVCCA Board of Directors met and the topics of discussion included: The MVCCA 50th Anniversary Gala and Planned local development revitalization projects & updates were discussed.
- Wednesday, 27 February 2019: General Council Meeting was held at the Mount Vernon Government Center. The MVCCA General Council passed an Education Committee Resolution EDU-2019-01 in supporting the Fairfax County's Fiscal Year 2020 Advertised Budget Plan and requests the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to advertise a Maximum Tax Rate which would if adopted fully fund both the County Advertised Budget and the School Board Budget and also provide flexibility to respond to citizen input. Karen Pohorylo was nominated and confirmed by a unanimous vote to be the Chair of the Environmental & Recreation Committee. During Supervisor Storck's time he was asked about WMATA's plans to shut down rail service on the yellow line this summer for repairs, demolish the Hunting south garage, and redeveloped the site. A very lively discussion followed on the possible impacts on the Mount Vernon & Lee Districts ending with all in attendance agreeing that much more information and community involvement was definitely needed.
- Upcoming MVCCA, Mount Vernon District, and Fairfax County meeting/events:
 1. February 2, Mount Vernon Town Hall, Mount Vernon High School, 7:45AM to Noon.
 2. March 13, next MVCCA Board Meeting.
 3. March 27, next MVCCA General Council Meeting. **New start time 7:00 PM.**
 4. GALA scheduled for May 4, 2019 is being rescheduled.

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- All things related to the MVCCA including: Mission, Membership, Officers, Committees, Copies of Resolutions, Committee Reports, General Information, and the Monthly Publication the MVCCA "RECORD", can be found on our Web page: (<http://www.mvcca.org/>).

Appendix 2: Sully District Report

- February meetings:
 - Joint Land Use and Transportation Committee met on the 25th - heard three cases:
 - Special Exception modification
 - Pomeroy case PCA C-637-05 which was located across the district line in Dranesville. Sully has concerns in that Dranesville district has no overall land use committee. The McLean, Great Falls and Herndon Town civic groups cover cases in their bailiwick, while cases along the peripheral of Sully may not be reviewed by any of them. A similar situation exists in Hunter Mill where their focus is on Reston and Vienna, leaving development on the Sully boundary without interested parties.
 - Review of a special joint land-use task force actions concerning the Dulles Suburban Center changes in the Westfields Office Park with the addition of residential and commercial uses.
 - Sully District Council met on the 27th: Topic: Northern Virginia Transportation Authority: What is it and how what it does affects us? Speaker - Keith Jasper, Principal, Transportation Planning and Programming, NVTAA
- Planned March meetings:
 - Sully District Council will meet on the 13th: Topic: Sully District Council will co-sponsor with Sully Supervisor Kathy Smith and Sully School Board member Tom Wilson the 2019 Sully District Budget Town Hall
 - Joint Land Use and Transportation Committee will meet on the 18th - two cases are currently scheduled:
 - Revisit of the Pomeroy case PCA C-637-05 - We await a response on how the three developers on the corner of Fox Mill and Sunrise Valley roads will work to widen Fox Mill Road from their developments to Centerville Road.
 - Consideration of Zoning Ordinance amendment regarding Community Gardens, Farmers Markets, Gardening as an Accessory Use and Related Changes

Appendix 3: Citizen of the Year Report

We will honor as COY:

- Cathy Ledec is a force of nature – by being a force FOR nature, with an intensity and focus that is truly remarkable. She has behind her decades of volunteer work. But once she retired in 2015, the whirlwind that had been Cathy's volunteer work became a tornado of volunteerism unleashed on Fairfax County and Northern Virginia. The hallmark of her accomplishments has been not just volunteering, but taking on steadily increasing roles in organizing and motivating others. What is typical of Cathy is that she volunteers with a group, then gets more involved, and soon she is organizing, coordinating, leading, motivating others. As the person submitting this nomination, I want to cite personal examples that highlight this phenomenon. Montebello Condominium, where I live, is a short walk to her community, Pavilions at Huntington Metro, with Mount Eagle Park between us. My first contact with Cathy was her invitation to Montebello volunteers to join her crew in removing weeds – invasive species. We shared the goal of cleaning up the area so that the native trees and bushes would be more likely to survive and to increase public safety through increased visibility. I was proud to be part of the first group of Montebello residents that joined Cathy several years ago, just a short walk to Mt. Eagle Park from our back gate. After several hours the area we worked on was already looking much better, with a lot of invasive plants pulled out of the ground and filling numerous bags.

We honor with Citations of Merit:

- Alberto Sangiorgio For 23 years, Chef Alberto has ensured that individuals with developmental disabilities not only have a place to work, but are provided with skills and opportunities to ensure a better quality of life going forward.
- Tania Hossain is a noteworthy volunteer leader who embodies the spirit of The Citizen of the Year Award through her contributions of time and talent which have enhanced the quality of life for Fairfax County residents. I have noticed that Tania has leadership qualities that create stability and confidence in members of organizations she leads. There is no doubt in my mind that Tania cares deeply about Fairfax County and that her volunteer work clearly reflects her caring. I most admire her ability to build community coalitions and lead them in accomplishing their goals. I hope you will agree with me that Tania Hossain is certainly deserving of this prestigious award.

We honor with a Special Gratitude Award:

- John Ribble's long standing participation in Fairfax County and Mount Vernon District civic activities set a fine example, and he deserves community recognition.



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Appendix 4: Webmaster

The Federation Board alias sends emails to:

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If you have any address to add or subtract, or if you haven't been getting Federation board email, please get back to me.

Attachment 5: Environmental Report February 2019

On-Going Projects:

- **Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE):**
 - **Fairfax County Ordinance:** The C-PACE ordinance public hearing is set for 19 March. The ordinance does not allow the use of PACE financing for residential properties but could help reduce the County's carbon footprint by providing a funding mechanism for projects that will reduce energy. The proposed ordinance can be found at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/boardofsupervisors/sites/boardofsupervisors/files/assets/meeting-materials/2019/feb12-environmental-draft-cpace-ordinance-finance-agreement.pdf>.
 - **State Legislation:**
 - **SB 1559 (Lewis), Amend C-PACE Loans: Shoreline resiliency improvements:** Passed. On the way to the Governor's Desk
 - **SB 1400 (Peterson), Amend PACE Loans: stormwater management and residential and condominiums:** Passed and on the way to the Governor's Desk but residential and condominium were stricken from the bill. Some of the members were concerned that they were amending the C-PACE law to include residential property. The plan is to submit a separate parallel legislation that will allow the use of PACE financing for residential buildings next year.
- **Fairfax Green Initiatives:** On February 5th Supervisor Storck (Mt. Vernon) proposed the Fairfax Green Initiatives (<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/sites/mountvernon/files/assets/documents/boardmatters/02-05-2019final.pdf>). Supervisor Storck was joined by Supervisors McKay and Foust. The resolution calls on County Staff to follow up on a number of climate change issues. The resolution passed the Board of Supervisors by unanimous vote.
- **Light Emitting Diode Street Lighting:** The county has released a press release about the street lighting agreement with Dominion Power: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicaffairs/fairfax-county-proposes-25-million-new-energy-efficiency-projects-led-streetlights-and-electric>. The plan is to replace all streetlights with 3K soft light fixtures over the next 10 years.
- **Drinking Water Forum:** No update
- **Vulcan Materials Asphalt Plant:** Vulcan Materials has requested rezoning (RZ 2017-MA-013) and a Special Exception (SE 2017-MA-009) for part of their facility in Mason District from R-2, C-8 to I-6 to add an asphalt plant to the existing concrete batch plant facility. Flint commented provided the Planning Commissioners information about the emissions from asphalt plants on April 18th and has been in conversation with the Virginia DEQ about any air construction permit application. The Rezoning and Special Exception request was approved by the Planning Commission on 14 June (<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planningcommission/sites/planningcommission/fi>

[les/assets/documents/pdf/2018%20verbatims/verbatim061418rnse Vulcanmateri alsdo.pdf](#)) and approved by the Board of Supervisors on 10 July 2018. As of 1 March the applicant has not filed for an air construction permit. To check the status of current air permit applications see:
<https://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Air/PermittingCompliance/Permitting/ActiveAirPermitApplicationListings.aspx>.

Meetings:

- **Audrey Moore Celebration of Life:** Flint attended the December 22nd Celebration of Life gathering on the passing of Audrey Moore. Audrey Moore was a strong advocate for the environment and requested that contributions in her memory be made to the Friends of Accotink Creek.
- **C-PACE stakeholder meeting:** On January 9th, Flint attended the Stakeholder meeting with Kambiz Agazi. The stakeholder group was lead by Cliff Kellogg from the C-PACE Alliance and included representatives from banks, loan servicers, real estate agents, environmentalists, the Virginia PACE Authority, and the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy. County staff included a representative from the County's Legal Office and from the County's Finance Office. The County liked all of the recommendations from the Stakeholder group but was not sure about the legality of a couple of issues.
- **Coalition for Smart Growth Sierra Club Meeting:** On January 10th, Flint attended a presentation by Stewart Schwartz, about smart growth options can reduce the greenhouse gas footprint of the region without hindering growth. For more information see: <http://www.smartergrowth.net/>.
- **Blake Lane Park/School Meeting:** On January 16th, Flint attended the public meeting about the removal of Blake Lane Park for the construction of a new elementary school. The meeting was very well attended with over 100 people in attendance. The community is very upset about the removal of one of the few parks in this part of Providence District. Blake Lane Park is also one of the oldest dog parks in Fairfax County. The community was not convinced of the need for a new elementary school within a couple of miles of two other elementary schools. The property was originally designated for a school. For more information see: <https://patch.com/virginia/oakton/announcements/a/58883/save-blake-lane-park-and-blake-lane-dog-park>.
- **Virginia Conservation Lobby Day:** Flint attended the Conservation Lobby Day on January 30th in Richmond. Flint's report follows:
 - Delegate Mark Keam's legislative aide, Meredith Nakayama. I thanked him for sponsoring the Distributed renewable energy bill (HB2329). It was not on this year's priorities list but it was a priority in 2018. The Virginia Conservation Network (VCN) supported the bill. I also gave Meredith the list of environmental bills that the Federation is supporting. She was very appreciative of having the bill numbers.
 - Delegate Betsy Carr's (Richmond) legislative aide. Betsy Carr is the sponsor for the HB 1669 "Disposable paper and plastic bags; local taxation per bag

- when provided to consumers". The bill was "passed by indefinitely" (PBI) in the Committee on Finance which means it is essentially dead this season. But I wanted to let her know about the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations and thank her for sponsoring the bill. I gave her a list of environmental bills that the Federation is supporting.
- Senator Chap Peterson's aide with other VCN lobbyists. I thanked Senator Peterson for sponsoring the plastic bag bill (SB1116) and the PACE improvement bill (SB1400). SB1116 was incorporated into SB1070 and then defeated in the finance committee on 16 January. SB1400 on the other hand was reported out of committee just the day before I met with Chap Peterson's aide and "engrossed" which I gather means it was adopted by the Senate (40-Y, 0-N) just today. The bill would allow PACE for residential properties so **this is a real win for the Federation since there were few organized groups that even had this on their radar**. I gave the aide a copy of our legislative priorities list and the list of environmental bills the Federation was supporting.
 - Senator Jennifer McClellan's (Richmond) legislative aide. I had just missed the VCN meeting, they had met with the aide a little early. Jennifer McClellan is sponsoring the "Distributed renewable energy" bill in the senate. The bill was PBI on January 28th. Again I wanted to thank her for sponsoring the bill and introduce her to the Federation and gave her the list of environmental bills we were supporting.
 - Delegate Murphy with the VCN delegation. There were 4 of us that met with Delegate Murphy. I started out thanking her for sponsoring the HB2023 "Lawn care service providers; limit on use of fertilizer, civil penalty". HB2019 "Residential real property; required disclosure of stormwater management facilities". HB2023 was "laid on the table" which essentially means it is dead for this season. She said that the committee thought that there are already laws that limit fertilizer use that were adequate. HB2019 was reported with a substitute out of the General Laws subcommittee #4 which I gather means it is dead for this session. Delegate Murphy thought there was too much opposition from developers. Delegate Murphy pointed out that many of her constituents in McLean are on well water and were concerned about underground spills. I told her about my experience with remediation of corner gas station sites and the well water testing program which does not test for hydrocarbons or chlorinated compounds from dry cleaning tank spills. I mentioned that I attended the well water sampling program meeting in Fairfax County this year and there were several people who wanted to know about how to test for underground tank spills. She said that she had not received the Federation's legislative priorities list but recognized Tim Thompson's name. She mentioned that her legislative aide quit on her and so there was a disconnect. I gave her my copy of the legislative priorities.
 - Senator Boysko's aide, Karen Harrison. She immediately remembered me from the Energy Town Hall in September. She was glad to have the legislative priorities but wished it had the bill numbers on it. I explained the process and

explained why the priorities did not have bill numbers. She thought it would be good for the Federation to follow it up with a list with the bill numbers. I thanked Senator Boysko for SB1070 which was incorporated into SB1116 and then killed. Karen copied the list of environmental bills and gave me a "red book" to send the full list of bills to the Fairfax Delegation.

- **350 Fairfax:** Flint attended the February 7th, 350 Fairfax meeting. There was a presentation from Stacy Lovelace from Food & Water Watch. The main subject of the meeting were a number of bills that were making it through the State legislature. Specific bills supported by Food & Water Watch include:
 - **HB1635 (Rasoul), Fossil fuel projects moratorium; clean energy mandates:** The bill was killed with amendments gutting the initial intent of the bill. The bill failed to clear the House.
 - **HB1902 (Rasoul), Solar Demonstration Projects Grant Program; established, Solar Energy Special Fund created:** The bill was left in the appropriations committee.
- **Citizens Climate Lobby (CCL) Fairfax County Chapter:** Flint attended the February 11th CCL meeting. Andres Jimenez, Senior Director, Government Affairs of CCL gave us an update on Capitol Hill. CCL's Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act bipartisan legislation has been introduced (HR 763). See CCL's web site on the bill at: <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/energy-innovation-and-carbon-dividend-act/>. Mr. Jimenez pointed out that the Green New Deal was not in conflict with CCL's goals and that on the contrary HR 763 could be a way to implement the goals of the Green New Deal resolution. A bill has not been submitted in the U.S. Senate because they are still working on getting a Republican co-sponsor; last session the bill was co-sponsored by Jeff Flake. There are several other bills with similar goals but they lack some of the features of the CCL bill.

There was also a very good exercise about how to discuss complicated issues such as climate change with someone who may be of an opposing position.
- **Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, Environmental Committee Meeting:** Flint attended the Environment Committee Meeting on February 12th. For the presentations made at the meeting see: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/boardofsupervisors/board-supervisors-environmental-committee-meeting-feb-12-2019>. Besides unveiling the C-PACE ordinance discussed above, there were a number of very good programs that were announced at the Committee Meeting:
 - **Energy Initiatives in Support of Operational Energy Strategy:** Kambiz Agazi announced a number of initiatives funded with carry-over funding:
 - Lighting retrofit projects that were discussed in the Operational Energy Strategy Program,
 - Streetlight conversion program (discussed above),
 - Solar Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) Request for Proposal: The contract would be available to set up PPAs at any County or FCPS building. In the RFP they identify about 50 County and 3 FCPS facilities.

They are expecting to publish the RFP 13 March with proposals due 29 April and contract award(s) 5 June. And,

- **Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment:** They expect to be publishing an RFP in April with a contract award(s) in August. On this point there were some questions from the Board about why the County would have to pay for this since private parties will be selling the power from the new charging stations.
- **Environmental and Energy Coordination Office:** Joe Mondoro announced the intent to propose an environment and energy coordination office in the Finance Office to coordinate energy and environment programs in the County. In setting up the office the County is only requesting \$450K of new funding. This is something the Federation and the Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions has been calling for. It is good to see it come to fruition.
- **Running Bamboo Control Strategies:** There was discussion about methods of stopping the expansion of running bamboo stands.
- **Carbon Trading Update:** On February 21st Flint attended a webinar on carbon trading programs in North America (Quebec Province is in the Western Climate Initiative (California's carbon trading program). One new development is that the maps showed that Virginia is a member of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) program. The Governor has brought Virginia into RGGI but the legislature has not ... perhaps next year? There is tension between the cap and trade approach to controlling greenhouse gas emissions and the fee and dividend approach advocated by CCL. One issue in the CCL approach is how to deal with the existing cap and trading programs.

Upcoming Events:

- **Sierra Club and 350 Loudoun Happy Hour:** 350 Loudoun and Sierra Club Virginia for a Happy Hour on Friday, March 1 at Trungo's, 2 Loudoun St SW, Leesburg VA, 6:30-8:30 PM. Meet other folks invested in our environmental future, and get info on 350 Loudoun and Sierra Club Virginia's efforts; learn about advocacy opportunities; and sign our latest petitions. You can get an update on what is to come for 2019, the Virginia Green New Deal Coalition, and efforts to cut carbon and transition to clean energy and clean transportation. To RSVP see <https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=7010Z000001qquLQAQ>.
- **Vernal Pools, Why Are They Important:** Sunday March 3, 2 PM, Mount Vernon Government Center, 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, VA. **Karen Sheffield, Manager of Huntley Meadows Park will be presenting a discussion about vernal pools.** Vernal pools are seasonal, ephemeral pools of water that provide habitat for distinctive plants and animals, including salamanders and frogs. Ms. Sheffield will cover what a vernal pool is, how to identify one, and the animals and plants that inhabit these shallow pools of water. She will share the findings from an ongoing, volunteer-driven survey in Huntley Meadows Park that began in 2013.
- **97th Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District Green Breakfast:** March 9; Breakfast begins at 8:30 AM, Brion's Grill 10621 Braddock Road, Fairfax,

VA. Cost: \$10. **Program: (Part One) How to Avoid Being Bad, When You're Trying to Do Good!** Brandy Mueller, Environmental Compliance Coordinator, Fairfax County Land Development Services. Even the most well-intentioned conservation efforts can sometimes lead to unexpected challenges when necessary permissions are not received or limits pushed...even those in our own backyards. When we only see the end vision of our projects and backyard or community conservation retreats, we don't often think of them as land-disturbing activities--certainly not in the same vein as traditional development. But, they can be. A little planning ahead and a general understanding the rules and regulations that are in place and why they exist can help to make your projects great successes. This is part one of a series of breakfasts featuring Brandy Mueller, who will provide a brief overview of the current program and share the vision for the future. Ms. Mueller will discuss some logistics for filing complaints and resources and information that are available online. The complaint response program is undergoing changes in 2019, and Ms. Mueller is interested in your ideas about other information and resources that you may need to support individual and community projects to help make them a success. Later in 2019, Ms. Mueller will be back to share the lessons-learned and describe updates to the program. If you have questions, contact Northern Virginia Soil & Water at conservationdistrict@fairfaxcounty.gov.

- **Film and Discussion: What Lies Upstream:** Friday, March 15, 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM (6:30 snacks, 6:45 PM film), Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road., Oakton, VA. *What Lies Upstream*, a scandalous political thriller. The filmmaker takes his investigatory grit to West Virginia where he looks into a mysterious chemical spill that left 300,000 people without drinking water for months. As the story deepens, we discover scientific cover-ups and political malfeasance across all levels of government, poisoning the entire system meant to protect drinking water. Waste water environmental experts will provide background on how water contamination affects Virginia. To RSVP contact sbonney001@aol.com.
- **Film: From Paris to Pittsburgh:** Friday, March 22; 6:30 – 8:30 PM (6:30 snacks, 7:00 PM film), Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax - Chapel, 2709 Hunter Mill Road., Oakton, VA. The film *From Paris to Pittsburgh*. From coastal cities to America's heartland, *Paris to Pittsburgh* celebrates how Americans are demanding and developing real solutions in the face of climate change. And, as the weather grows deadlier and more destructive, they aren't waiting on Washington to act. For further information contact: lgrowe@verizon.net.
- **PACE Talk:** March 25th, 6 pm, B Chord brewing 34266 Williams Gap Rd, Round Hill, VA 20141. Gerry Gurgick, Energy Target Zero, will discuss Property Assessed Clean Energy programs with particular focus on residential PACE. For questions contact Gerry at: GGurgick@EnergyTargetZero.com.



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Attachment 6: Public Safety Report

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Washington Field Office (WFO), invites you to consider attending the 25th Session of the Citizens Academy program. The Citizens Academy will provide you with a better understanding of the role the FBI plays in defending our nation and protecting our communities. You will have a unique experience learning how the FBI diligently combats different threats, including but not limited to; counterterrorism, counterintelligence, public corruption, cyber-related offenses and violent crimes.

The Citizens Academy affords the FBI with the opportunity to build, develop and strengthen relationships in the communities we serve. These relationships facilitate partnerships with local citizens, encourage the exchange of information and ideas, and enhance the ability to work together for crime prevention, ultimately making our neighborhoods safer. With a few exceptions, the 2019 Citizens Academy will meet for a few hours each Thursday evening from June 6, 2019 to July 25, 2019.

Each year, a good percentage of all nominations come from alumni, and we are hoping that this year will be no different. Attached please find draft language you can personalize and send to business, religious, civic, and community leaders with whom you have a relationship to invite them to attend CA. If they are interested and available during the listed timeframe, we ask that you complete and forward the attached nomination to WFOCOP@FBI.GOV. This is a competitive process. Division Executive Management will review all submitted nominations and select up to 50 individuals for this year's session. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please use the listed e-mail address to contact the WFO Outreach Squad.

Nominations must be submitted by no later than close of business 03/15/2019.

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Attachment 7: Transportation Committee

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Community Leadership Institute:

The Community Leadership Institute, or CLI, is an educational program that encourages successful community leaders to get involved in transportation-related decision-making at all levels. Over the course of three workshops, participants learn how, where, and when transportation decisions are made in the region.

The CLI includes information about the various planning processes at the state, regional, and local levels. CLI participants learn to be regional transportation leaders by connecting the interests of their local communities, constituencies, and elected officials with the planning issues facing the entire metropolitan Washington region. By reviewing case studies and participating in interactive group activities, participants also learn about the relationship between land use, jobs, housing, and transportation, and the implications of growth in the region.

The CLI is facilitated by former TPB Chair Kathy Porter, a former member of the WMATA Board of Directors and former Mayor of Takoma Park, Maryland.

The Spring 2019 CLI will be held Thursday April 18, 24, and Thursday, May 2. Sessions go from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Dinner is served starting at 5:30 p.m. All three sessions will be at the COG offices in Downtown DC.

Apply to participate in the Spring 2019 CLI: <https://www.mwcog.org/transportation/programs/community-leadership-institute/>