

Maryland Environmental Trust Board of Trustees  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
Date & Time: Monday November 4, 2024, 2:00pm  
Type: In Person

---

Executive Committee members present: Gary Burnett, Greg Bowen, Toby Lloyd, and John Turgeon (non-voting)

Committee members absent: none

MET & OAG Staff Participant: Kelly Price, Talley Kovacs, Emilie Schwartz

- 1. Meeting called to order at 2:05pm by John Turgeon.**
- 2. Approval of Minutes from September 9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Bowen motioned for the approval of the committee minutes. Mr. Burnett seconded the motion. All voted in favor.**
- 3. Overview/discussion of the Board Agenda at the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Board meeting.**

Mr. Turgeon stated that tonight's meeting (November 4<sup>th</sup>) will have a closed session and will also include discussion of the proposed powerline project. Mr. Turgeon also reported that the Finance Committee will report/present on the donation to the Southern Maryland Conservation Alliance.

#### **4. MPRP Powerline Update**

Mr. Turgeon reported that the "ad-hoc" committee to address the powerline project will be led by Mr. Burnett and will also include the Board Members Toby Lloyd, Megan Benjamin, Greg Bowen and Delegate Ziegler.

Mr. Turgeon states that three MET easements will be affected by the proposed plan along with other non-MET easements from other preservation programs. Further, the application to the Public Service Commission has not yet been submitted. MET has heard from one of the three effected landowners expressing their concerns.

Ms. Kovacs asked how the ad-hoc committee is going and Mr. Burnett reported that it has been productive and going well. It was acknowledged by Mr. Burnett that the committee needs to meet with MET's counsel regarding a position letter to the public. Ms. Kovacs agreed that a meeting is appropriate.

#### **5. November 4<sup>th</sup> closed session**

Ms. Kovacs highlighted that tonight's closed meeting will be led by OAG staff Emilie Schwartz and MET should be mindful on discussion times of various topics. The powerline discussion will take time as will the closed meeting discussion. Mr. Turgeon reported that the appropriate documents to close the meeting have been populated and are ready.

#### **6. Adjourned**

Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 2:38 pm.