

**Minutes**  
**Allegheny County Forestry Board**  
**February 23, 2023 from 9:00am – 10:00am**  
**MD DNR Forest Service – Online Meeting**  
**To promote the stewardship, conservation and**  
**sustainable use of forest resources in Allegheny County**

**Call to Order:**

**Chairman's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

- The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ken Roberts at 9:05 am on February 23, 2023. Attendees included members: **Ken Roberts, Steve Resh, Marie Miller, Bernie Zlomek, Brad Metzger, Darrel Williams and Dan Hedderick**
- Not in attendance: **Juls Wood, Francis Zumbrun**
- Special thank you to Brad for setting up the Google Meets!

**Goals and Annual Work Plan for the Board to meet for 2023**

- **Started** Develop the 2023 Goals and Annual Work Plan
- **Started** Raise funds to support Allegheny County Forestry Board
- Bring in new members
- **Started** Hold 6 local Forestry Board meetings and 4 special events
- **Started** Complete all financial disclosure forms
- **Started** Sign all Volunteer Forms
- Find, interview, approve and financially support 2 students for NRCC
- Promote outreach for NRCC
- Support NRCC at camp with volunteers
- Facilitate the Forestry portion of the Envirothon
- **Started** Organize, plan and co-sponsor with Allegheny Arts Council the photo contest at the Allegheny County Fair
- Facilitate 2 PLT Workshops
- Facilitate Heritage Legacy Tree Program
- Support Big Tree Program
- Support Cumberland Watershed Plan Implementation
- Facilitate both webpage and Facebook links and keep them active and adaptive
- **Started** Plan & present a landowner workshop on Forest Carbon Credits
- Look into new programs with guest speakers to keep members educated on what is new

**Note:** Goals will be listed for the Forestry Board to track their success and act as a reminder of needed accomplishments for the 2023 Annual Work Plan. The word "completed" will be placed in the front of each goal once it has been accomplished.

**House Keeping Items:**

Remember to turn in your volunteer form, financial forms and membership applications.

**Financial Activities:**

Bernie provided a report. A check of \$660 was written, providing payment for the PLT workshop posters.

Also, Bernie will work on getting a new debit card.

### Photo Contest:

Bernie told us that a new superintendent is needed for the photo contest program. Bernie placed his name on that unless someone else wants to be listed.

### Landowner Carbon Workshop:

All the details for the workshop were discussed.

- Bernie will pick up name tags, markers, drinks and ice with a cooler.
- Marie, Dan and ACM students will take care of sign-in.
- Steve will handle signs and tables.
- Marie will be the MC.
- Levi Sissler will be IT technical support.
- Steve will provide a presentation on carbon and trees.
- We currently have 53 people and will allow Garrett County to invite approximately 10+ people. Dan will contact Melissa.
- Steve will talk with Sam Gardner of Sustainable Solutions, and he will be listed with the consultants.
- The program was updated by Dan, and Marie will put the program in a form that can be reproduced for the event and print 70 + copies.
- Marie will have 12 students in attendance.
- We have two carbon purchasing speakers, Family Forest Carbon Project and Forest Carbon Works.

### Upcoming Events:

- **March 8** at 5:45pm. Landowner Carbon Workshop at Allegany College of Maryland Technology Building, Room 121
- **March 9** Statewide MD Association Annual Spring Forestry Board Meeting 8:30am to 3:00pm Tawes State Office Building C1 Conference Room 580 Taylor Avenue.
- **March 10** Project Learning Tree Workshop for the Elementary Ed majors at Frostburg State University
- **April 19** at 9:00am. Allegany County Forestry Board meeting at Allegany Project Garage

### Attended Events: (note, members need to attend at least 50% of yearly meetings to be in good standing)

- **January 19, 2023:** Allegany County Forestry Board Meeting via Google Meets: **Brad Metzger, Steve Resh, Ken Roberts, Juls Wood, Bernie Zlomek, Francis Zumbrun and Dan Hedderick**
- **January 31, 2023:** Forestry Days in Annapolis: **Darrel Williams**
- **February 22, 2023:** Western Maryland Forest Pest Update: **Brad Metzger and Bernie Zlomek**
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