

AGENDA ITEM #2Q
December 8, 2009

Appointments

MEMORANDUM

December 3, 2009

TO: County Council
FROM: Justina J. Ferber,  Legislative Analyst
SUBJECT: Appointments – Forest Conservation Advisory Committee

The County Executive's appointments to the Forest Conservation Advisory Committee are before the Council for confirmation.

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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20850

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

APPOINTMENT

PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED TO ME UNDER SECTION 215 OF THE CHARTER OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND, I HEREBY APPOINT

Type of Position: Arborists and Urban

Foresters

Jeffrey Schwartz
Ashton 12/31/2012
(Reappointment--First Full Term)

Type of Position: Ex officio

David Plummer
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Derwood 12/31/2012
(Reappointment--First Full Term)

Type of Position: Member of Citizens Groups

Linda Silversmith
Rockville 12/31/2012
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**Type of Position: Member of Environmental
& Conservation Organization**

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Silver Spring 12/31/2012
(Replaces Anne Merwins's expired term--First Term)

Type of Position: Public

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(Replaces James Hubbard's expired term--First Term)

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Dickerson 12/31/2012
(Replaces Victor Bonilla's expired term--First Term)

TO SERVE AS members of the Forest Conservation Advisory Committee

THIS APPOINTMENT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UPON CONFIRMATION BY THE COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

ISIAH LEGGETT
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

November 25, 2009

DATE

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Resolution No.: _____
Introduced: _____
Adopted: _____

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: County Council

SUBJECT: County Executive's Appointments to the Forest Conservation Advisory Committee.

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The County Executive's appointments to the Forest Conservation Advisory Committee are confirmed.

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This is a correct copy of Council action.

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

FOREST CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (NEW BOARD 3/08**)**

- Created -- Bill No. 36-06, Effective 1/12/07, adding Montgomery County Code Section 22A-31. Amended by Expedited Bill 14-08, Effective 6/3/08, adding two new positions.
- Purpose -- The Committee must advise the Executive, Council, Planning Board, and any other relevant agency on forestry policy issues; propose to the Executive, Council, Planning Board and any other relevant agency, proactive forestry policies, laws, and guidelines; recommend a comprehensive approach to urban forestry, advise on a tree inventory; review and comment on policies and programs related to forestry; promote and seek funding for a sustained forestry program; promote and foster a strong sense of community through urban forestry; communicate with other boards, agencies, and community residents about forestry issues; and promote volunteerism and act as a general information resource. By October 1 each year the Committee must submit to the Executive, Council, Planning Board, and any other relevant agency, an **annual report** on its functions, activities, accomplishments, and plans and objectives. **The Committee must not engage in any advocacy activity at the State or federal levels unless approved by the OIR.**
- Membership -- 22 voting members appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the County Council: 16 public members and 6 ex officio members. The **public members** should include: (a) landscape architects (b) arborists and urban foresters (c) horticulturists and representatives from the nursery industry (d) persons directly engaged in agriculture (e) persons directly engaged in the building industry (f) members of citizen groups (g) members of environmental and conservation organizations (h) representatives of public utility companies and (i) persons who own a forest stand of at least 2 acres. The Executive must designate one staff member from each of the following departments to serve as **ex officio members**: (a) Economic Development (b) Environmental Protection (c) Public Works and Transportation (d) Permitting Services. The Executive must invite one representative from each of the following agencies to serve as **ex officio members**: (a) the County Planning Board (b) the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.
- Chair/VC -- Each January, the **Executive may designate a chair and vice-chair** from among the public members to serve a **1-year term**. If the County Executive does not designate a chair or vice-chair by February 15, the Committee members must select a chair and vice-chair.
- Financial Disclosure -- Not Required.
- Compensation -- None. Members may receive mileage and dependent care reimbursement.
- Terms -- Three year terms. The County Executive must stagger the terms of the initially appointed public members so that approximately one-third of the terms of these members expire each year.
- Meetings -- At the call of the Chair, but not less than 9 times per year.
- Staff-- Laura Miller, Department of Environmental Protection, 240-777-7704
Stan Edwards, Department of Environmental Protection, 240-777-7748
255 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20850

MEMBERSHIP (22 Voting)
Public Members (16)

Landscape Architects

David B. Post
Mont. Village 12/2011
(first term)

Arborists and Urban Foresters

Andrew T. Der
Burtonsville 12/2011
(first full term)

Jeffrey H. Schwartz
Glenwood 12/2009
(partial term since 3/08)

Public (without an association)

Caren W. Madsen
Silver Spring 20910 12/2010
(first term)

G. William Pastor
Potomac 12/2010
(partial term since 3/09)

Persons Directly Engaged in Agriculture

Norman E. Mease
Boyds 12/2011
(first full term)

Persons Directly Involved in the Building Industry

Daniel E. Lyons
N. Bethesda 12/2009
(partial term since 3/08)

Clark M. Wagner
Gaithersburg 12/2010
(first term)

Members of Citizen Groups

Ginny Barnes
Potomac 12/2010
(first term)

Victor J. Bonilla **RESIGNED 7/09**
Bethesda 12/2009
(partial term since 3/08)

Linda G. Silversmith
Rockville 12/2009
(partial term since 3/08)

Members of Environmental and Conservation Organizations

Pamela Browning
Chevy Chase 12/2011
(first full term)

James B. Hubbard **VICE CHAIR**
Gaithersburg 12/2009
(partial term since 3/08)

Anne M. Merwin **CHAIR RESIGNED 8/09**
Washington 12/2009
(partial term since 6/08)

Bryan Straathof
Bethesda 12/2011
(first term)

Representatives of Public Utility Companies (PEPCO)

Daniel P. Landry,
Rockville 12/2010
(first term)

Ex-Officio Representatives (6) (Voting)

Department of Economic Development

David C. Plummer
Montgomery Soil Conservation District
Derwood 12/2009
(partial term since 3/08)

Department of Environmental Protection

Laura Miller
Rockville 12/2011
(first full term)

Department of Transportation

Brett Linkletter
Gaithersburg 12/2011
(first full term)

Department of Permitting Services

Richard R. Brush
Rockville 12/2010
(first term)

The County Planning Board

Mark Pfefferle
Silver Spring 12/2010
(first term)

**Washington Suburban Sanitary
Commission**

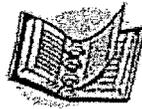
Thomas Paul Allen
Laurel 12/2011
(first term)



Policy and Procedures



List of Boards, Committees and Commissions



Meeting Calendar



Vacancy Notices



Council Policy Regarding Appointments

Vacancy Announcements

Release ID: 09-124

Media Contact: Beth Gochrach, 240.777.2528

For Immediate Release: 10/2/2009

Application Deadline: 10/23/2009

Leggett Seeks Applicants for Forest Conservation Advisory Committee

County Executive Isiah Leggett is seeking applicants to fill six public member vacancies on the Forest Conservation Advisory Committee. The public members should include landscape architects, arborists and urban foresters, horticulturists and representatives from the nursery industry, persons directly engaged in agriculture, persons directly involved in the building industry, members of citizens groups, members of environmental and conservation organizations, representatives of public utility companies and persons owning forest land of at least two acres. Four incumbents are eligible to apply for reappointment to the Committee.

The Committee is composed of 22 voting members, which includes 16 public members and representatives of the Departments of Economic Development, Environmental Protection, Permitting Services, and Transportation, and representatives of the County Planning Board and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

The Committee must advise the Executive, Council, Planning Board, and other relevant agencies on forestry policy issues; propose proactive forestry policies, laws and guidelines, and submit an annual report on the Committee's functions, activities, accomplishments, plans and objectives. The Committee must also recommend a comprehensive approach to urban forestry; advise on a tree inventory; review and comment on policies and programs related to forestry; promote and seek funding for a sustained forestry program; promote and foster a strong sense of community through urban forestry; communicate with other boards, agencies, and community residents about forestry issues; promote volunteerism; and act as a general information resource.

Members serve three year terms without compensation. Meetings are held at the call of the Chair but not less than nine times per year in the evenings in Rockville.

Applicants of diverse backgrounds, professions, gender, geography, disability and ethnicity are encouraged to apply. An application, consisting of a **brief cover letter and resume**, should be sent by mail to County Executive Isiah Leggett, 101 Monroe Street, 2nd Floor, Rockville, MD 20850, or by email to countyexecutive.boards@montgomerycountymd.gov. Home and employment addresses, as well as contact phone numbers and email addresses should be included. If appropriate, applicants should indicate the position for which they are applying. The deadline for application is **October 23**.

Members of County boards, committees and commissions may not serve on more than one such group at a time. Members of this Committee are eligible for reimbursement for travel and dependent care for meetings attended. Leggett's appointments are subject to confirmation by the County Council. Applications of those selected for appointment are made public as part of the confirmation process.

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