



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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MEMORANDUM

December 13, 2013

TO: Agricultural Advisory Committee Members (AAC)

FROM: Jeremy V. Criss, Agricultural Services Manager
Department of Economic Development

SUBJECT: Joint Meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee and the Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board Tuesday, December 17, 2013

Please be advised that a Joint meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee and the Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at the Up County Regional Services Center 12900 Middlebrook Road Germantown in Room A at 7:00 p.m.**

The Draft agenda is on the next page.

The other attachments for our meeting will be posted on the Agricultural Services web site. Due to the County's paper reduction mandate, please print these attachments out and bring them with you to the meeting.

See you on Tuesday evening.

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Agricultural Advisory Committee and Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board Meeting Agenda – December 17, 2013

1. Introductions:
2. Discussion and Presentation from the Rustic Roads Advisory Committee-RRAC-Review of the Draft Programs Guidelines.
3. Approval of the AAC Minutes from November 19, 2013. (See Attachment A.)
4. Update from the PHED Committee Work Sessions on the Remaining Agricultural Issues for the Zoning Rewrite ZTA 13-04. PHED did not support including these Ag issues. Full Council Work Sessions scheduled for January 14, 15 &16, 2013 at 9:30 am.
5. The AAC is still waiting for a response letter from Chancellor William Kirwan UM System-Extension Resources for the Agronomy Educator Position as suggested in the AAC letter dated November 8, 2013. The AAC has yet to receive the Dean's response as outlined in the Chancellor's letter to the AAC dated September 24, 2013.
6. Farming at Metro's Edge Conference-FAME Final Report. Council President Craig Rice will be scheduling a Full Council Work Session in March 2014 to discuss the recommendations in the FAME report. Follow up on Agricultural Education in MCPS-(See Attachment B.)
7. Follow up from the High Tunnel and Greenhouse Listening Session for Montgomery, Frederick and Howard Counties. Sponsored by the DED-Ag Services, MSCD, U of MD-Extension-UME and USDA Agricultural Research Service-ARS. Next steps.
8. Community Meeting-MNCPPC-Seneca Store (Formerly Poole's Store) Rescheduled to January 7, 2014 7:00pm (See Attachment C.)
9. AAC testimony to the County Council on the Clarksburg Limited Master Plan Amendment-Ten Mile Creek Water Shed- (See Attachment D.)
10. New Appointments to the AAC
We need to identify new farmer members to replace Robert Beall and Woody Woodroof. We also need to recommend a farmer member to the Rustic Roads Advisory Committee which will serve as the AAC representative.
11. Follow up on MC 5-14 Montgomery County-Archery Hunting-Safety Zone- (See Attachment E.)

12. Next Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board Meeting is January 14, 2014 and the next Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2014.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

Community Meeting-Seneca Store (Formerly Poole's Store)-January 7, 2014@7:00pm

Montgomery County Farm Bureau Board of Directors-January 7, 2014@7:00pm

Montgomery Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisor-January 10, 2014@9:00am

Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board-January 14, 2014@7:00pm

PHED/T&E-Clarksburg Limited Master Plan Amendment-January 13&17, 2014@2:00pm

Full Council Work Sessions Zoning Rewrite-ZTA 13-04-January 14, 15 &16, 2014@9:30am

Agricultural Advisory Committee-January 21, 2014 @ 7:00 pm