

**OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSISTANCE AND
PROTECTION**

**MINOR BARNETTE
DIRECTOR**



**ENVIRONMENTAL
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BOARD**

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**FORSYTH COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE and PROTECTION
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

The Forsyth County Environmental Assistance and Protection Advisory Board met on July 15, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the BER Meeting Room at the Government Center located at 201 North Chestnut Street in Winston-Salem, NC, and online through the Microsoft Teams platform.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brent S. Rockett Nicole Chiles Gayle Goldsmith
Joe Mannuzza

MEMBERS ABSENT: Charles Wilson Jamie Maier

FCOEAP PRESENT: Minor Barnette Dr. Peter Lloyd Steven Lyda Dana Wade
Valerie Shores

I. Call to Order

Brent Rockett called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of the April 15, 2025 Advisory Board Meeting Minutes:

Brent Rockett opened the discussion to approve the April 15, 2025 meeting minutes. Nicole Chiles made a motion to approve. All members of the board in attendance voted to approve.

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III. Director's Update

Mr. Barnette informed the board that it was time to elect the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the advisory board for the next year. The board voted to keep Brent Rockett as Chair and Nicole Chiles as the Vice Chair. Mr. Barnette presented a slide show to the board showing the photovoltaic solar panel array on the maintenance building in Tanglewood Park and data showing the amount of electricity generated and cost effectiveness. Mr. Barnette also updated the board on the electric vehicle charging infrastructure projects that are underway and nearing completion, as well as the delivery of the county's first three electric vehicles (Chevrolet Equinox EVs). The board was made aware that due to budget restraints any new solar projects and electric vehicle purchases will be postponed until the further notice. Mr. Barnette went on to update the members of the board on the four enforcement cases for which criminal charges and court appearances have become necessary. Mr. Barnette asked Dr. Peter Lloyd to give an update on the amendments that the state is working for the rules governing open burning and air curtain incinerators. Public hearings on proposed amendments to the Forsyth County Air Quality Technical Code will need to be scheduled after final adoption of the changes to the state's rules.

IV. Other Business:

V. Next Tentative Quarterly Meeting:

Date: January 20, 2026

Location: 201 North Chestnut St. Winston-Salem, N.C.

VI. Adjournment

Brent Rockett entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nicole Chiles motioned to adjourn. Gayle Goldsmith seconded the motion. Brent Rockett adjourned the meeting.

Minor Barnette

Dated: 9/30/2025

Minor Barnette, Director

Approved: _____ Brent S. Rockett, Chairman