

III. Director's Update

Mr. Barnette updated the board on the recently open positions in the EAP office. Data Specialist position was posted, and hope to fill that vacancy soon. Mr. Barnette also informed the board of the vacant advisory board seat that will be posted on the county website soon because the applicant who was appointed by the BOCC has not responded to multiple requests for contact or attended any meetings. Mr. Barnette informed the Board that EAP applied for and was awarded Inflation Reduction Act federal funding of \$200,000.00. The two awards were used to buy monitoring equipment for our ambient air pollution monitoring network.

Mr. Barnette , shared a slideshow with the board showing how the air monitoring network works and how the information helps our meteorologists publish the daily Air Quality Index forecast 365 days a year.

IV. Other Business:

Mr. Barnette let the board know of the upcoming workshops and meetings. The CAPA (Carolina Air Pollution Control Association) spring workshop will be held in Ashville on April 9-11, 2025. The Environment Action Coalition meeting will be held March 18, 2025.

V. Next Tentative Quarterly Meeting:

Date: July 15, 2025

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.

Date: 3/20/2025

Minor Barnette

Minor Barnette, Director

Approved:

Brent S. Rockett

Brent S. Rockett, Chairman