



TALBOT COUNTY SOLAR ARRAY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Date of meeting: Thursday, July 21, 2016

Location: 215 Bay Street, Conf. Room 1, Easton, MD 21601

Attendees: Corey Buxton, Frank Cavanaugh, Phillip Councell, Jr., Ed Heikes, Scott Kane, Mike Pullen, Jeff Rothwell, Sr., Jeremy Rothwell, John Swaine, Mary Kay Verdery

1. Meeting opened at 5:00 p.m.

2. Topics discussed.

a. Power Plant Research Program. Susan Gray, Deputy Director, Power Plant Research Program at Maryland DNR, presented detailing the program's origin under the Power Plant Siting and Research Act of 1971, and the program's description, including funding, environmental surcharges, net metering, applications, hearings, and the role of the Public Service Commission.

b. Preemption and MACo. Leslie Knapp, Jr., legal and policy counsel for the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) presented discussing the subjects of preemption, the changing technology, tax incentives, and MACo's role.

3. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 26, 2016.

4. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.