



Clarke County Litter Committee
Berryville/Clarke County Government Center, 2nd Floor
101 Chalmers Court, Berryville, Virginia 22611
A/B Meeting Room

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 5:30 pm

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - March 8, 2023
 - March 21, 2023
 - April 18, 2023 (no quorum)
4. Public Comments
5. Planning, Engagement, and Scheduling in 2023
6. “Keep Clarke Clean Art & Slogan Contest”
7. EPS Campaign
8. Clarke County Litter Committee “Environmental Advocate of the Year”
9. Budget Overview
10. Media Outreach Details
11. Other Business
12. Adjournment



Clarke County Litter Committee

DRAFT – Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 – 5:30PM

Berryville-Clarke County Government Center – A/B Meeting Room

ATTENDANCE	
Ashley Harrison (Chair)	✓
Tom Bauhan	X
Mary Martin	✓
John Keim	✓
Meg Roque	✓

STAFF PRESENT: Kristina Maddox (Office Manager / Zoning Officer)

OTHERS PRESENT: Matthew Bass (Board of Supervisor Liaison)

Call to Order: Ms. Maddox called the meeting to order at 5:31PM.

Election of Officers: Chair and Vice Chair

Chair:

Ms. Maddox asked if there were any Litter Committee Chair nominations for 2023. Mr. Keim moved to nominate Ashley Harrison, seconded by Ms. Martin. Ms. Maddox closed the floor to nominations and opened the floor for discussion. As there were no further nominations or discussions, Ms. Maddox closed the floor to nomination discussions. The Committee elected to nominate Ashley Harrison as Chair of the Clarke County Litter Committee for 2023.

Vice Chair:

Ms. Harrison opened the floor for 2023 Litter Committee Vice Chair nominations and nominated Tom Bauhan. With no other nominations, Chair Harrison closed the floor to nominations and opened the floor for discussion on the nomination. As there was no discussion, Chair Harrison closed the floor and entertained a motion to approve Tom Bauhan for Vice Chair, seconded by Ms. Martin. The Committee elected to nominate Tom Bauhan as Vice Chair of the Clarke County Litter Committee for 2023.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Harrison moved to approve the agenda for the March 8, 2023 Litter Committee meeting as presented by Staff, seconded by Mr. Keim.

Approval of 2023 Litter Committee Meeting Dates

The Committee discussed the meeting dates and times. It was determined to resume monthly meetings for the time being but potentially change to bi-monthly meetings in the near future. Chair Harrison moved to approve the 2023 Litter Committee monthly meeting dates and times as presented by Staff, seconded by Mr. Keim.

Approval of Minutes – October 18, 2022

Chair Harrison asked for a motion to approve the October 18, 2022 meeting minutes, which was moved by Mr. Keim and seconded by Ms. Martin.

Review of Meeting Notes

There were no questions or concerns from the Committee on the meeting notes from November 15, 2022 and January 17th and February 21st of this year.

2023 Litter Grant Award & EPS Campaign

EPS Campaign:

Ms. Maddox asked the Committee to review and provide feedback on the sample letter to be mailed to local restaurant business owners. Chair Harrison suggested that we ask the businesses more information about their current vendor. The Committee discussed including an order form with the informational letter, the list of EPS-friendly distributors, and asked that the article and Code of Virginia information be removed from the packet. Mr. Bass noted there should be a deadline within the letter for the business owners to return their order form so the supply order can be placed by our grant deadline. He also suggested we provide a self-addressed and stamped envelope in the mailer as well so it is easy for them to return. The Committee agreed to review the order forms in May and decide what items to order.

Earth Day Signage Contest:

Mr. Bass said the Clarke County schools have been contacted regarding the contest and asked the Committee their thoughts on including Powhatan and Keystone as well. The Committee agreed to include the two schools and reviewed the draft contest form provided by Mr. Bass. It was discussed that having artwork, an essay, and a slogan may be too much and asked to remove the essay piece of the contest. It was also decided to limit the slogan verbiage from ten words to seven words or less. Mr. Bass asked for all Committee comments by Friday morning as he plans to send it out that afternoon.

As an award for the winners, it was discussed that the reward itself is having one's artwork displayed around the county on signs, magnets, and possibly be recognized in local newspapers.

Mr. Keim mentioned that he spoke with the Clarke County high school's Environmental Club advisor and thought that the Litter Committee may be able to help fund some of their projects if it is covered under our grant. Ms. Maddox said she would inquire what is covered under the grant.

The committee discussed items for possible purchase such as cargo nets and promotional items such as car trash bags. With regards to the cargo nets, the committee discussed how they would be distributed to residents and ideas such as asking people to volunteer their time for cleanup events. The committee decided to purchase half of the amount of cargo nets originally planned and make an announcement through Facebook.

2023 Planning, Engagement, Scheduling, & Signage

By consensus, the Committee agreed to commit to a boat ramp clean up on Saturday, April 15th. Ms. Maddox said she would contact Shenandoah River Keepers to find out more information.

Adopt A Road

Ms. Maddox said she found the meeting minutes from September 2022 where the committee approved the roads to be cleaned and submitted the application to VDOT. Should VDOT not approve the application by May, the Committee discussed a possible pickup on Summit Point or Kimble as per a citizen request.

Clean Up Opportunity (Gregg Property)

The committee expressed concern that approving such an expenditure may be precedent setting but it was noted this is only a pilot program and not something that needs to be repeated. The committee also briefly discussed a local vendor that may be interested in getting any metal from the property.

The committee made a motion to approve \$1,200 toward the Pack Rat dumpster for a litter and trash pick up at Eagle Rock Lane. This approval was moved by Mr. Keim and seconded by Ms. Martin.

Media Outreach Details

Mr. Keim announced that the Clarke Monthly article was submitted for April and that it covers the committee's 2022 highlights, basic committee information, and request for volunteers. He suggested that the committee get more event pictures and keep records of the amounts of trash collected for future articles and media posts.

Chair Harrison asked the committee their thoughts on having a "Citizen of the Year" type of annual award and possible write-up in the Clarke Monthly. Prime candidates for such an award were discussed. Mr. Bass said he would touch base with Chris Boies and Cathy Kuehner on this matter to get it started.

Other Business

Marianne Casey of Nantucket Treweryn Beagles attended the meeting and asked to speak. She said she adopted Westwood Road from the high school to Senseny Road and was hoping that her volunteer group could join us at a future pick up event in an effort to show their community support. She said she would also like some guidance as to how to prevent nuisance littering. Mr. Bass suggested that we invite Travis Sumption and Anne Williams to attend a future meeting to educate us on evidence collecting and presenting a case.

Adjournment

With no further items to discuss, the Committee adjourned at 6:40PM. Ms. Martin made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Keim.

Ashley Harrison (Chair)

Kristina Maddox (Clerk)



Clarke County Litter Committee

DRAFT – Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 – 5:30PM

Berryville-Clarke County Government Center – A/B Meeting Room

ATTENDANCE	
Ashley Harrison (Chair)	✓
Tom Bauhan	✓
Mary Martin	✓
John Keim	✓
Meg Roque	X

STAFF PRESENT: Kristina Maddox (Office Manager / Zoning Officer), Chris Boies (County Administrator)

OTHERS PRESENT: Matthew Bass (Board of Supervisor Liaison)

Call to Order: Chair Harrison called the meeting to order at 5:35PM.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Keim moved to approve the agenda for the March 21, 2023 Litter Committee meeting as presented by Staff, seconded by Mr. Bauhan.

2023 Litter Grant Award

EPS Campaign:

Mr. Bauhan said he spoke to the owner of the Lone Oak Tavern who seemed to be on board with the samples to be provided by the grant. He shared that he spoke to a Schenck representative about product costs and provided examples of the cost. He noted that a minimum order through Schenck, which is located in nearby Winchester, is \$250. The committee then discussed that Ms. Maddox would collect the order forms submitted by the restaurant owners and provide an overview to the committee, which would help determine the sample items.

The only other change the committee had to the draft letter to business owners was to add Winchester-based Schenck to the distributor list on page 2.

Ms. Maddox said she is waiting to hear back from the Town of Berryville regarding the list of restaurant business owners.

Purple Bin Program:

Mr. Boies said he has been working with Ms. McMullen regarding her glass recycling program. He noted that Ms. McMullen is spending six-to-seven days per week on this project and would prefer to do half the amount if at all possible. Mr. Boies has had conversations with Frederick County and other localities to explore options to ease these efforts and discovered the “purple bin program” through Fairfax County. He said one option is that we could purchase a small glass crusher like the one Ms. McMullen has and ask the Convenience Center employees to help when they are not busy, however, we will still need to figure out what to do with the byproduct, where to store the machine, keep it under a roof, and that the cost is approximately \$8,000. He added the other option is to partner with Frederick County and the “purple bin program” where they haul glass collected in Clarke to Fairfax who then crushes it for \$15 per ton. He said

they sell it to a company that uses the crushed glass to make water glass bottles. He continued that the fee to ship the glass to Fairfax is approximately \$600 in addition to a \$75 monthly bin charge. He said he would like to see if the committee would agree to cover these charges going forward as soon as next month to reduce Ms. McMullen's efforts. He said he could use some of the funds from the solid waste budget next year but won't be able to cover the full amount.

Chair Harrison asked for a motion to approve the budget to include the costs of the "purple bin program" glass recycling program for the remaining 2023 fiscal year. This motion was moved by Mr. Keim, seconded by Ms. Martin.

Ms. Harrison asked if there were any grants that we could apply for that would help the costs to which Mr. Bass said that the county does not have an in-house grant writer that could assist with that. He asked if Ms. Maddox could inquire with Ms. Teetor if she knew of any possibilities.

Cargo Net Discussion:

Ms. Maddox said it was suggested that we put our cargo net details on the Clarke County Facebook page along with the boat ramp post. Ms. Maddox asked if we should reduce the cargo net purchase to 30 nets in order to increase the signage budget to which the committee agreed by consensus. Mr. Bass asked if we could even increase the signage to \$1,000 and if we have excess to award the contest winners somehow. He said he was also thinking of creating car and/or fridge magnets that could be used as give-away items for events such as the farmer's market.

The committee discussed how to maximize the usage of the cargo nets and explored various options including handing them out at the Frederick County dump.

Mr. Keim asked if the grant would cover a donation to the Clarke County High School Environmental Club or even possibly combining efforts somehow on a project. Mr. Bass said that it depends on the grant expenditures and also the remaining amount of our budget. Ms. Maddox said she would inquire through DEQ.

Supplies Overview:

Ms. Maddox said she realized there is more to the list than she thought as items are being used by the Shenandoah River Keepers, however, they have plenty of gloves, vests, grabbers, and trash bags in stock. She noted one citizen suggested we add orange safety cones to our supplies as the road signs were too heavy to handle. The committee agreed by consensus to purchase four cones to be added to the supply inventory.

2023 Planning, Engagement, Scheduling, & Signage

Shenandoah River Keepers 4/15/23 event update:

Ms. Maddox spoke to Mr. Filipy who said they are happy to support us, however, they will be elsewhere on the 15th and that it is up to us as to what time we want the pick up to begin. As the Facebook ad needed to be posted, Ms. Maddox chose 9:00am as the start time. Chair Harrison asked that everyone attending from the committee wear their shirts and that she will pick up the supply bin from the county office the Friday before the event.

"Keep Clarke Clean Art & Slogan Contest" Update:

Mr. Bass said he has yet to receive any entries but that it is still early in the contest. He said he would connect with the schools to check-in and see if they planned to participate.

Adopt A Road

By consensus the committee agreed to do a highway cleanup on Saturday, May 6th at 9:00am. Mr. Bauhan said he was confused by the application submittal as it didn't seem to match what the permit approved. The committee said they would review the application and permit to better understand it.

Media Outreach Details

The committee discussed how to establish a Litter Advocate of the Year award and, again, made some nomination suggestions. The committee discussed creating a plaque for the award, a possible paper write up, and Ms. Maddox said she would contact Mr. Boies to learn the best way to approach this task.

Ms. Maddox presented a draft litter brochure created by Cathy Kuehner for the committee to use as an informational handout at events and to have in the Berryville-Clarke County Government Center. She asked the committee to review it and bring any comments or feedback to the next meeting.

Other Business

Review Action Items:

Chair Harrison provided a recap of the meeting and outlined the member action items to include the purchase of cargo nets, EPS letters to be mailed out, and the boat ramp supply pick up.

Ms. Maddox mentioned that in place of a banner, Ms. Kuehner suggested that we purchase an inexpensive tabletop display that we can change out from time-to-time and promote various topics, events, etc. which would save the cost of a banner.

Adjournment

With no further items to discuss, Mr. Bauhan moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:41pm, seconded by Ms. Martin.

Ashley Harrison (Chair)

Kristina Maddox (Clerk)



Clarke County Litter Committee

DRAFT – Meeting Notes (no quorum)

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 – 5:30PM

Berryville-Clarke County Government Center – A/B Meeting Room

ATTENDANCE	
Ashley Harrison (Chair)	✓
Tom Bauhan	X
Matthew Bass (BOS Representative)	✓
John Keim	✓
Mary Martin	X
Meg Roque	X

STAFF PRESENT: Kristina Maddox (Office Manager / Zoning Officer), Travis Sumption (Chief Deputy of Clarke County), Anne Williams (Commonwealth’s Attorney), Lorien Lemmon (Preservation Planner / GIS Coordinator)

OTHERS PRESENT: Mark and Beth Shenk (Residents)

Call to Order: There was no quorum for today’s meeting.

Approval of Agenda

None (no quorum)

Approval of Meeting Minutes

None (no quorum)

Litter Nuisance Discussion with Travis Sumption and Anne Williams

- It is very difficult to enforce litter charges even if a license plate number is provided as the identity of the person driving the vehicle also needs to be proven.
- There are several factors to be included before law enforcement can take action.
- If they receive multiple complaints against one license plate number in particular, they will write an official letter to the owner of the vehicle outlining the violation.
- It takes an enormous amount of effort, time, and money to catch a litterer that is not much of a return on investment concerning taxpayers’ money.
- The Sherrif’s Office does occasionally charge people for putting signs up on VDOT right of ways which can potentially be a \$100 fine per sign.
- The Sherrif’s Office is unable to provide stakeouts for litterers at this time as their focus and effort is invested in traffic safety along Routes 7, 340, and 50.
- The best way to prevent littering is prevention and getting the word out.
- Cameras are great evidence, however, someone will have to sort through all of those images on a daily basis. The best locations for cameras are where there isn’t a lot of traffic such as under the bridges.
- The last prosecution of a littering case was approximately 7 years ago, which was a neighbor dispute situation.
- While Facebook can help get leads and help identify someone it is not going to be main source of proof needed.

- Some suggestions as to what the Litter Committee can do is to ask the Winchester Star to write an article, have a joint press release between Clarke County Litter Committee and the Sherriff's Office with VDOT representatives present.
- Should a case lead to a trial, it will be up to the judge to decide the outcome. The General Assembly has also made some law changes in which a judge may decide to completely dismiss a case for a first time litterer, with no prior history. Littering is a class 1 misdemeanor, which is the same as a DUI or shoplifting and is a jailable offense. The Code provides that in lieu of incarceration, the court can order someone to complete 10 hours of litter abatement.
- When Chair Harrison asked if there were any pick up programs in place like Camp 7, it was suggested to contact the Juvenile and Domestic Relations district court to be added to their community service list.
- Perhaps connecting with the community through the Millwood Association, the schools, etc. would help get volunteers and spread the word about the committee and cause.
- The committee has a better chance to reach out to people who will help raise awareness than to chase after litterers. It could be that the majority of the litterers are not even from Clarke and just passing by.
- Matt Bass left the meeting at 6:00pm.

Planning, Engagement, and Scheduling in 2023

- Mr. Keim touched base with the Clarke Environmental Council and provided a list of items they need funds for. Ms. Maddox said the grant would require us to pay for specific items such as trees for tree planting and would need to pay the vendor directly rather than providing a check to the club.
- The boat ramp pick up was a success and there were several volunteers. Ms. Maddox noted that the Clarke Monthly article was well received.
- The committee discussed how the Frederick County Litter Committee has themed clean up events to entice more volunteers.
- The group scheduled May 6th at 9am (Adopt a Highway), June 10th at 9am (Chet Hobert Park), July 15th at 9am (Rt 340/7 Underpass), August 15th at 5:30pm (Clarke County Fair), and September 16th 8am-12pm (Farmer's Market).

“Keep Clarke Clean Art & Slogan Contest” Update

- The members reviewed several art and slogan submissions and decided to increase the winners from three to six each.

EPS Campaign Update

- Ms. Maddox noted the EPS letters went out to the business owners and that the deadline for them to respond with their order forms is May 12th.

Clarke County Litter Committee “Citizen of the Year” Discussion

- Ms. Maddox said she spoke to the County Administrator who is on board with the award but would like the title to be changed. The last title suggestion was “Environmental Advocate of the Year.”

Budget Overview

- Ms. Maddox noted the cargo net order was placed.

Media Outreach Details

- There were no updates to the brochure by the members other than one grammatical error changing “att” to “at.”

Other Business

- Ms. Maddox said she was able to change the adopted road to Salem Church to Pyletown Road and also the Opequon Road to the Frederick County line.

Public Comments

None

Adjournment

With no further items to discuss, the meeting adjourned by consensus at 6:46pm.

Kristina Maddox (Clerk)

SAFETY GUIDELINES & RESPONSIBILITIES

*to be reviewed before cleanup begins when working on projects organized by the
Clarke County Litter Committee*

1. The event location where litter is being removed should be examined on the day of the week and during the hours intended for the cleanup to determine if the conditions during those times are appropriate for the ages and abilities of the participants. Be aware of any large ruts in the ground, pipes, and/or water areas as they could be a hazard.
2. All participants are responsible for abiding by these guidelines and responsibilities. For emergencies, it is recommended that someone in the group have the availability of a working cell phone, an adequate first aid kit, and transportation immediately accessible. Know your location and do not hesitate to dial 911.
3. Minors under the age of 18 may participate if their *Agreement to Participate and Release* form was signed by a parent/guardian and is on file with The County. Groups must have at least one (1) adult supervisor at the site when minors are present.
4. Participants are responsible for placing the “*Roadside Cleanup Ahead*” or similar signs before each cleanup and removing the signs after completion of the cleanup.
5. Carpooling to the cleanup site is encouraged to keep roadside parking to a minimum. Park as far from the road’s edge as possible.
6. It is mandatory to wear the supplied reflective safety vest as soon as you leave the car so you are immediately visible to motorists. In addition, wear brightly colored clothing that protects your arms and legs, substantial shoes or boots and gloves. Never wear sandals or open-toed shoes. An LED light attached to your shirt, jacket, arm, backpack, etc. helps ensure you can be clearly seen from both the front and back sides and a hat helps to avoid sunburn.
7. Always walk facing traffic and stay with the group. This will be a constant reminder of the danger ahead of you, allow you to see a dangerous situation before it reaches you, and drivers are more apt to pay attention to a person on the road if they can see a face.
8. Avoid the use of headphones, iPods, cell phones or any wireless device that could interfere with the ability to hear oncoming traffic, safety warnings or other potential dangers.
9. Take plenty of breaks, drink fluids and don’t overexert.
10. Work during daylight hours only. Stop working in bad weather including but not limited to fog, wet roads, and electrical storms.
11. DO NOT spray any pesticides on the adopted section.
12. Guidelines for Picking up Litter:
 - Knives, machetes, axes, etc. should not be carried by participants.
 - Avoid contact with poison ivy and animals.

- You may place recyclable items in separate bags.
- DO NOT pick up litter in the roadway, close to the edge of the road, in median strips, in construction or maintenance sites, in tunnels or bridges.
- DO NOT throw, discharge or otherwise deposit anything liquid or solid into the waters of any fountain, pond, lake, stream, pool or any body of water, or in any storm sewer, sanitary sewer or drain.
- DO NOT overfill or compact trash bags because of the danger of injuries from broken or jagged objects. Fill bags with what goes in easily, and then start with a new bag. Items may be stacked outside of a closed bag if they have dull, pointed edges that might tear the bag or large items that might prevent the bag from closing properly. Never lift anything too heavy.
- DO NOT pick up cardboard boxes with bare hands as this could be a snake's or another animal's home.
- DO NOT pick up discarded syringes, hypodermic needles, items that have "potentially infectious waste" written on them, suspected hazardous materials or suspected toxic substances. Please notify the Clarke County Sheriff's Department at their non-emergency number (540) 955-1234.
- **WHEN IN DOUBT, LEAVE IT ALONE**

13. Participants shall remove the trash collected themselves or choose to place all closed trash bags and items on the shoulder of the adopted area at least two feet from the traveled area. Notify VDOT if bags and items need to be collected.

14. When cleanup is complete return all VDOT-supplied items and notify Clarke County Staff of the quantity of litter collected and include any other information such as observations of hazardous materials.

I have read and understand the Safety Guidelines and Responsibilities of participants in Clarke County Litter Committee events; and, affirm to adhere to such.

Signature _____ Date: _____

Printed Name _____

AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE AND RELEASE

By deciding to participate in this Clarke County Litter Committee activity, I understand and acknowledge the accident risk factors involved. I know my own physical capabilities, and I assume all risk and liability in order to participate in these litter cleaning activities.

I realize that my participation in this activity involves risk of injury, including risks resulting from but not limited to contact with dangerous items and substances, such as sharp objects, heavy/hard to handle garbage, animals, animal feces, insects, water, marshes, bogs, electric fences, dangerous terrain and plants, such as poison ivy/oak. I also realize that when working near roadways, vehicular traffic poses risk of injuries and even the possibility of death. Additional risks can include, but are not limited to, delayed muscle soreness, contusions, abrasions, and cuts. Also, I recognize that there are many other risks of injury including serious and disabling injuries, which may arise due to my participation in this activity, and that it is not possible to specifically list each and every individual injury risk. By signing this form, I desire, consent and voluntarily choose to take part in these litter cleaning activities.

Knowing the material risks and reasonably anticipating that other injuries are a possibility, I assume all the risks normally incident to the nature of these activities and agree that neither Clarke County nor any of its officers, agents, and employees will be responsible for any damages or injuries resulting to me. Also, I understand that any injury incurred and the resulting medical expense from that injury will be my responsibility and Clarke County will not be responsible for any related expenses.

In consideration of the County allowing me to participate in this and/or future litter cleaning events, I do hereby for myself, my heirs, executor, administrators, and assigns, forever release and discharge Clarke County, its officers, employees, and agents from any and all claims, complaints, demands, actions, causes of actions, and suits at law or equity, for and on account of any accidents, injuries, disabilities, death, property damage, and all losses and expenses of any nature whatsoever that may be sustained by me or anyone below as a result of my participation in this litter cleaning activity.

Signed (Participant) _____ Date: _____

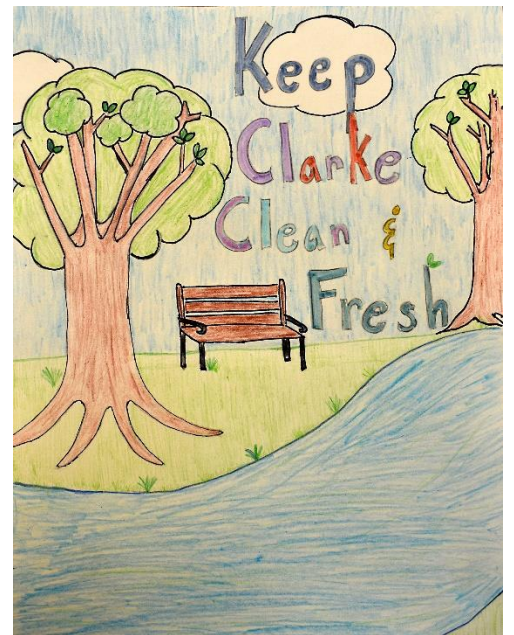
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Signed (Parent/Guardian) _____ Date: _____
(if participant is 18 years of age and younger)

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Individual/Group/Organization _____

This form is valid through the end of the calendar year of the year signed.

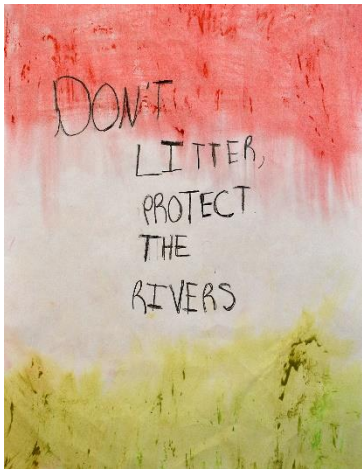
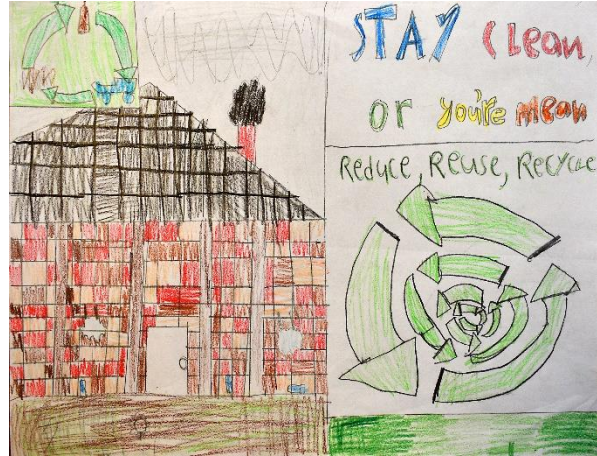


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Keep Our Clarke Clean



PLEASE Keep Clarke County
Clean and Green!



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- Signs, Banners & Posters
- Labels, Stickers & Packaging
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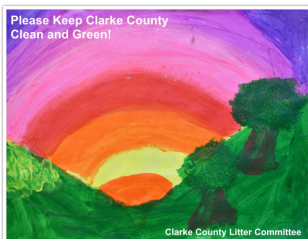
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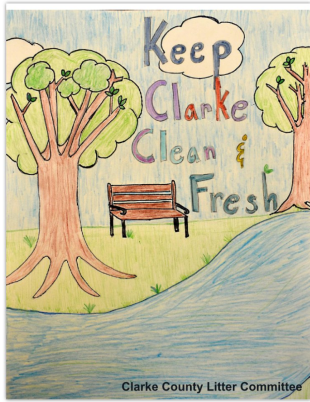
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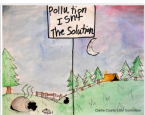
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2023 Clarke County Litter Committee

Estimated 2023 Budget for DEQ Grant

\$10,999.50 FY-2023 DEQ Non-competitive Grant (July 2022-June 2023) -- REVISED 5.11.2023

\$ 460.74	YTD Spent (Conv Center waste bins, materials)	PAID
\$ 3,000.00	Est amount spent by County on various public waste and recycle bins (Conv Ctr)	
\$ 1,429.50	EPS Campaign (Paper, Stamps, Envelopes, Labels, Sample Products)	SEE NOTES
\$ 2,100.00	Purple Bin Program (Conv Center bin + travel to Frederick County; \$700 per month)	
\$ 1,190.00	Amount paid to Pack Rat Hauling (Gregg Property x2 dumpsters)	PAID
\$ 1,000.00	Est Signage Cost (Vital Signs)	
\$ 500.00	Est Farmer's Market and Promotional Items (Give Away) CarFridge Magnets	
\$ 49.67	Staples Supply Purchase: Litter Committee Brochure Holder, Sign Holder, Plaque	PURCHASED
\$ -	Est \$120 Safety Cones (Suggested Purchase by Citizen)	
\$ 707.00	Pack Rat Hauling Invoice: 60+ tires pulled out of Shenandoah (SRK request)	PURCHASED
\$ 401.55	Harbor Freight Purchase: 30 Cargo Nets	PURCHASED
\$ 10,838.46	Total Amount Projected	
\$161.04 Remaining Grant Funds		
\$ 1,429.50	<u>EPS CAMPAIGN BREAKDOWN</u>	
\$ 72.55	Paper, Stamps, Envelopes, Labels	PURCHASED
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David,

The article below was written by Clarke County Litter Committee member John Keim. I simply edited it and am passing it along to you for the June issue.

I have photos if you need one or two; let me know. **Note:** Name of boat ramp and road are Lockes Landing and Lockes Mill Road (no apostrophe); only the old mill building is Locke's.

They Pick Up Trash Because They Care About Clarke

By John Keim

More than 30 years ago, Liz Gregg and her father Michael used to ride their bicycles along Lockes Mill Road, admiring the Shenandoah River while peddling to the boat ramp. Gregg, who was not yet 10-years old, loved those moments. Other times, they would drive along the road in her father's 1953 Dodge pickup truck.

"That river road holds a special place in my heart," Gregg said.

That is, in large part, why she and her father jumped at the opportunity to help during the Clarke County Litter Committee's spring boat ramp clean-up day in April. In fact, while all the other volunteers started at the Castleman's Ferry boat landing under the Va. 7 bridge, Michael Gregg began picking up trash at 9 a.m. at Lockes Landing.

By the time the other volunteers arrived 90 minutes later, the place was clean as a whistle, and the Greggs had filled two big bags with trash.

Over four hours that one Saturday morning, the boat ramp clean-up volunteers collected 10 big bags of trash from Castleman's Ferry, Lockes Landing, and the Berry's Ferry boat landing under the U.S. 50 bridge.

For the Greggs, it was a chance to spruce up an area that means a lot to them. They moved away from Clarke County in the early 1990s when Michael Gregg took a teaching job at Virginia Tech. However, Liz Gregg returned eight years ago, and her parents came back to Clarke five years later.

"Clarke County is so unique; it's a beautiful diamond," Liz Gregg said. "Picking up trash is a way to give back and say 'thank you.'"

Community members have more opportunities to help clean Clarke County. The Litter Committee will distribute trash bags and safety vests to all on these days:

9 a.m. Saturday, June 10: Volunteers meet in the Chet Hobert Park parking lot and clean up areas throughout the 107-acre park located west of Berryville, opposite the Clarke County Ruritan Fairgrounds.

9 a.m. Saturday, July 15: Volunteers meet in the Martin's grocery store parking lot in Berryville and pick up trash at the U.S. 340/Va. 7 intersection.

5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 15: The Clarke County Litter Committee hosts a booth during the annual county fair, and volunteers will help clean up the fairgrounds, including its parking lot.

Volunteers must sign waiver forms in advance. Find the form on the Litter Committee web page at www.clarkecounty.gov. The committee recommends young volunteers be at least 10-years old, but parents must decide if their children should work along roadways.

Volunteers who help with two cleanup events this year will receive free cargo nets for pickup trucks. Cargo nets help prevent trash and other items from flying out of the truck and littering the roads.

The five-member Clarke County Litter Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the second-floor meeting space of the Berryville-Clarke County Government Center. Contact the Committee at litterfree@clarkecounty.gov.

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