

Minutes
CAAR Public Affairs Group
Wednesday, April 12, 2023 9:00 am
Hillsdale Conference Center

Roll Call:

Present: Pat Crabtree (Chair), Janice O’Hara (Vice Chair) Jim Dickerson, Anita Dunbar, Matt Hodges, Sue Plaskon, Errin Searcy Quinton Beckham

Staff Present: Neil Williamson

Not Present, Excused: Rachel Burns, Hal Johnson, Sharon Merrick

Not Present Unexcused: Peter McFarren, Tony Girard, Sally Neill

Call to Order Chair Pat Crabtree called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Anti-Trust reminder – In addition to providing a printed copy of CAAR’s full antitrust document, Chair Crabtree provided a short synopsis of the policy.

Board Report – Errin Searcy provided a quick update on the March Board of Directors meeting. The meeting was brief and mainly discussed Awards and lockboxes.

Issue Mobilization Grant Application Update – This is the largest campaign budget to date. \$100 thousand grant and \$25 thousand RPAC funds. Ads to be launched once a public hearing date has been set for the Charlottesville Zoning Ordinance. The project team is working on scripts.

Property Rights Luncheon – Topic decision was made. See Strategic Discussion

Issue and Reports

RPAC: RPAC Anita shared that the system was down this morning, so she did not have updated figures to report. The Major Investor Dinner is scheduled for April 27th,

Locality Reports:

- **Charlottesville** – Neil explained Zoning Module 2 is now released.
- **Albemarle** – Neil detailed the county’s continuing efforts to modernize the zoning code process the AC44 survey results.
- **Greene** – Decided to interview additional candidates for County Administrator.

Strategic Discussion – Albemarle County Comprehensive Plan (AC'44) Focus Group

After reviewing the suggested topics, Sue Plaskon moved we select Zoning as the topic for the August Property Rights luncheon topic. Quinton Beckham seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Neil will work on fine tuning the scope for discussion at our next meeting.

New Business for Future Meetings - Chair Crabtree asked for any new business to be added to a future agenda. Neil reminded everyone to consider participating in the upcoming CAAR Blood Drive

Next Meeting – The May PAG meeting is set for May 10th.

There being no more business to come before the PAG, the meeting was adjourned at 09:45 AM