

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

JOINT ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS BOARD

	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reappointed Date</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
<u>City Appointed:</u>			
Brooks Gage	06-18-13	06-21-22	06-30-25
Emily Braren	08-06-24		06-30-25
Kelsey Crowley	03-18-25		06-30-27
<u>County Appointed:</u>			
Berkley Griffin Hillis	06-21-22		06-30-25
Lloyd Smith	06-19-23		06-30-26
Michael Luke Cranford	06-21-21		06-30-25

Broadway Appointed:

Eugene Jeffrey "Jeff" Griffith

Walter Ferguson – Council Liaison 02-09-24
Marshall Downey –
Community Development Director

Purpose

The general purpose of the Joint Environmental Affairs Board is to maintain and improve the quality of the environment in Lee County.

Appointment Authority

Effective May 1, 2015, the Sanford Environmental Affairs Board ("EAB") was dissolved by the City Council of the City of Sanford as provided by Resolution No. 2015-08, adopted March 17, 2015. Effective May 1, 2015, the Environmental Review and Advisory Committee ("ERAC") was dissolved by the Lee County Board of Commissioners as provided by Lee County Resolution No. 2015-6, adopted March 2, 2015.

Effective May 1, 2015, and under the authority granted in Chapter 153A-76 of the North Carolina General Statutes and resolution dated March 2, 2015, the Lee County Board of Commissioners created a joint Environmental Affairs Board ("Joint EAB"), in an effort to avoid duplication and unify the strong team of advisors of ERAC and EAB, with representatives from Lee County, the City of Sanford and the Town of Broadway. By-laws were adopted by Council on July 21, 2015.

The Joint EAB shall be comprised of seven (7) voting members: three (3) appointed by the Lee County Board of Commissioners, three (3) appointed by the Sanford City Council, and one (1) appointed by the Broadway Town Council. In addition, three ex-officio, non-voting members shall serve on the Joint EAB: a representative of the Lee County Board of Commissioners who serves at the appointment of the Chairman; the City of Sanford Manager or his designee; and the Mayor of Broadway or his designee. All appointments or reappointments will be for three-year terms.

Authority of Board

To advise as requested regarding environmental issues.

Duties

The specific duties of the Joint EAB include: 1) advising the local governments of the County of Lee, the City of Sanford, and the Town of Broadway on environmental policy; 2) educating the public and local officials about environmental issues; 3) performing special studies and projects on environmental questions; 4) facilitating citizen participation; 5) remaining informed about changes in environmental laws and regulations affecting the County (and informing the public and local officials about such changes); and 6) promoting the State/County and public/private cooperation and coordination. This list is not exhaustive, and the Joint EAB shall construe its duties broadly. The Joint EAB shall not have authority to enforce any regulations, rules, ordinances, or laws.

Meeting Time and Location

The Joint EAB shall meet at least every other month and shall meet at the call of the Chairman or at the written request of six (6) members. Meetings may be held anywhere within Lee County. Written notice of each meeting, specifying date, time, and place shall be given to each member of the Joint EBA not less than five (5) days prior to the meeting unless an emergency or other special situation exists making it impossible or impractical to give five (5) days prior notice; in which event, notice may be given by a reasonable means prior to the meeting. All meetings shall be open to the public.

Addresses and Phone Numbers

Joint Environmental Affairs Board-

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Member from Broadway:

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County Liaison: Mark Lovick

City Liaison: Walter Ferguson