

# Bloomington Environmental Commission Meeting

**Public Notice for Thursday, March 26, 2026 at 6pm**

This meeting will be held in the Hooker Conference Room (Suite #245, City Hall, 401 N. Morton St) and may also be accessed via Zoom at the following link:

[Bloomington Environmental Commission Zoom Link](#)<sup>1</sup>

As a quorum of this Commission or its committees may be present, this gathering constitutes a meeting under the Indiana Open Door Law (I.C. § 5-14-1.5). For that reason, this statement provides notice that this meeting will occur and is open for the public to attend, observe, and record what transpires.

Bloomington Environmental Commission meetings can be watched on the following websites:

- [Link to CATS TV](https://catstv.net/index.php) can be found here: <https://catstv.net/index.php>

Materials for this meeting can be found on the [Bloomington Environmental Commission's website](#)<sup>2</sup>.

## Board Membership

Pursuant to applicable law and policy, and in compliance with Indiana Code 5-14-9-6, the following details are provided regarding the officers serving on this committee:

<b>Commission Member</b>	<b>Appointed By</b>	<b>Appointment Date</b>	<b>Term</b>
Carrie Albright	Mayor	02/01/2026	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
Heidi Brown	Mayor	08/29/2025	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Matt Caldie	Mayor	02/01/2025	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Adam Fudickar	Common Council	03/05/2025	02/01/2025-01/31/2027

<sup>1</sup> Zoom Link:

<https://www.google.com/url?q=https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/8657231124?pwd%3DmPqboSiD0AhVwK SgkuW2aO7NHixih0.1%26omn%3D81563021562&sa=D&source=calendar&ust=1774096922177101&usg =AOvVaw1kHWcvSnKwgoBVFFYCopfj>

<sup>2</sup>Bloomington Environmental Commission website: <https://bloomington.in.gov/boards/environment>

<b>Commission Member</b>	<b>Appointed By</b>	<b>Appointment Date</b>	<b>Term</b>
Karl Gaisser	Common Council	03/04/2026	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Shannon Gayk	Common Council	02/01/2026	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
Adam Martinez	Common Council	02/01/2025	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Justin Meschter	Common Council	03/04/2026	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
Mitchell Owens	Common Council	02/01/2026	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
Vacancy	Mayor	Not Applicable	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Vacancy	Mayor	Not Applicable	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
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**Agenda**

**1. Roll Call**

**2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

- A. Approval of March 26, 2026 Agenda\*
- B. Approval of February 19, 2026 Meeting Minutes\*
  - a. [February 19, 2026 Meeting Minutes \(to be approved\) Link](#)<sup>3</sup>

**3. Public Comments**

Limit 5 minutes per person, 20 minutes total

**4. New Business**

- A. Welcome New Members
- B. Department Update & Accessibility Discussion
- C. Question & Response with City of Bloomington Legal Department
- D. Invasive Animals: Implications for Biodiversity
  - a. Presented by Adam Fudickar

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<sup>3</sup> February 19, 2026 Meeting Minutes (to be approved) Link:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HSXGSLmHwa7MpdgKkb136kET1ZHBBYgN/edit?usp=sharing&oid=111225598917909656100&rtpof=true&sd=true>

- b. [Invasive Animals Presentation Link](#)<sup>4</sup>
- E. Tree Commission
  - a. Resignation
  - b. Application\*
    - 1. [Nicole Locke Application Link](#)<sup>5</sup>

## 5. Old Business

- A. Handbook Discussion (continued)\*
  - a. [Bloomington Environmental Commission Handbook Link](#)<sup>6</sup>
  - b. Matt Caldie's Proposed Amendments
    - 1. [Proposed Amendments Link](#)<sup>7</sup>
- B. Bloomington Commission on Sustainability and Resilience - Capstone Update
  - a. Presentation to be held in Council Chambers on April 28, 2026 at 5:30pm
- C. Working Group Updates
  - a. Biodiversity Working Group
  - b. Eco-Heroes Working Group
    - 1. Printed Materials\*
      - a. [Sticker Document Link](#)<sup>8</sup>
      - b. [Participant Certificate Document Link](#)<sup>9</sup>
      - c. [Winner Certificate Document Link](#)<sup>10</sup>
  - c. Environmental Commission Plan Committee (ECPC)
  - d. Light Pollution Working Group

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<sup>4</sup> Invasive Animals Presentation Link:

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<sup>5</sup> Nicole Lock Application Link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pi3YX7WhGmZmJjCn0nnRjXB5P9nf5r3ux7LTjufRnqU/edit?usp=sharing>

<sup>6</sup> Bloomington Environmental Commission Handbook Link:

<https://bloomington.in.gov/onboard/reports/438/download>

<sup>7</sup> Proposed Amendments Link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1651Y7-lzaJS4wK9SWKf6f8XqNp8X7qeY/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=111225598917909656100&rtpof=true&sd=true>

<sup>8</sup> Sticker Document Link:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yc\\_-PduSbNWOGc3nR6l2i-hltwfOnILL/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yc_-PduSbNWOGc3nR6l2i-hltwfOnILL/view?usp=sharing)

<sup>9</sup> Participant Certificate Document Link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qj67B65oUx8RZTxighQsnKA0iV0Kpp7Y/view?usp=sharing>

<sup>10</sup> Winner Certificate Document Link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1szNaMBD683JMxsZvkoaecxQjggcuWPsW/view?usp=sharing>

- e. Outreach and Education Working Group
- f. Special Projects Working Group

## **6. Reports**

- A. Tree Commission (TC)
- B. Environmental Resource Advisory Council (ERAC)
- C. Friends of Lake Monroe (FOLM)
- D. Bloomington Commission on Sustainability and Resilience (BCOSR)
- E. Monroe County - Identify and Reduce Invasive Species (MC-IRIS)
- F. Clean Community Program

## **7. Commissioner Announcements**

## **8. Upcoming Events**

- A. Eco-Heroes Judging – Thursday, April 9, 2026
  - a. 8am to 5pm at Planning and Transportation Department (Suite 130)
  - b. Contact Rachael Johnson with any questions
- B. 2026 Monroe County Master Gardener Garden Fair – Saturday, April 11, 2026
  - a. 9am to 4pm at Switchyard Park Pavilion, 1601 S Rogers Street, Bloomington, IN
  - b. Contact Heidi Brown with any questions
- C. Earth Day – Saturday, April 18, 2026 12pm - 3:30pm
  - a. 12pm to 3:30pm at Switchyard Park Pavilion, 1601 S Rogers Street, Bloomington, IN
  - b. Vendor set up begins at 10:30am
  - c. Contact Carrie Albright with any questions

## **9. Upcoming Meeting**

- A. April 16, 2026, 6:00pm, Hooker Conference Room at Bloomington City Hall, Zoom and CATS

## **10. Adjournment**

\* Item to be voted on

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