

New Castle Climate & Environment Commission Minutes
September 18, 2025

Attendees: Commissioner Bruce Leland, Chair Sharon Morris, Commissioner Ryan Deyarmond, and Commissioner Nancy Barnes

Chair Morris called the meeting to order at 4:24 p.m.

Introduction of New Commissioner Ryan Deyarmond

The commission welcomed new Commissioner Ryan Deyarmond to the CEC and his first meeting. He introduced himself and explained his interest in the work of the CEC.

Remaining 2025 CEC Budget

The CEC has approximately \$600 left to spend in 2025. The commission agreed to spend the funds on items to support Earth Day 2026. Suggestions include reusable sandwich bags and reusable cling wrap, more wildflower seeds, an instruction guide for making homemade detergents and soap, and stickers.

Action: Chair Morris will investigate the homemade detergents and soap and the cost of printing a book. Commissioner Deyarmond will investigate prices of reusable bags, and Commissioner Leland will investigate the price of more wildflower seeds.

Community Trash Pick-up

Members discussed the trash pick-up project plan and confirmed details. Commissioner Deyarmond volunteered the use of his trucks to pick up the bagged trash. The CEC will provide lunch and gift cards to volunteers. Volunteer registration will be arranged with Kelley Cox. Commissioner Leland will post to the town's Facebook page.

Motion: Commissioner Leland moved, and Commissioner Deyarmond seconded, to approve spending up to \$300 on food for trash pick-up volunteers. The motion carried unanimously.

Action: Commissioner Barnes will confirm lunch arrangements with Commissioner Candrea and will send volunteer information to Kelley Cox.

CEC Stickers

Chair Morris will print "Guardians of Nature" stickers for distribution at CEC events with a budget of \$300.

Approval of August Minutes

Commissioner Leland added the word "budget" to the first sentence of the budget update paragraph and suggested the minutes name the two businesses receiving grants.

Motion: Chair Morris moved to accept the minutes with changes. Commissioner Deyarmond seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Leland confirmed that the commission will contact Commissioner Candrea to confirm her food assignment for the trash pick-up. He also discussed the upcoming Town Council retreat and will provide an update at the next meeting. He plans to ask Town Manager Dave Reynolds to speak to the commission about the town's water-wise focus. Commissioner Deyarmond will coordinate with West Canyon Nursery for a presentation to the commission. Leland also recommended that the CEC submit budget proposals for the 2026 budget.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Nancy Barnes in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.

Commissioner Nancy Barnes

Handwritten signature of Sharon Morris in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

Commission Chair Sharon Morris