

# Maryland Biodiversity Project

## Board Meeting - 2024.04.16

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The Maryland Biodiversity Project (MBP) board met on Tuesday, 16 April 2024. Bill, Dan, Jane, Jim, John, and Maren were in attendance.

### Minutes

- Mission Statement: Catalog the living things of Maryland. Promote science, education, and conservation by helping to build a vibrant nature study community.
  - Treasurer's Report
    - The Treasurer provided a high-level summary of finances including current bank accounts, recent donations, and upcoming actions.
  - Updates on 2023 Data Collection Activities
    - Turkey Point and Dan's Rock Morning Flight Counts started on August 1 and ended November 30. Data are available at the links below.
      - <https://www.marylandbiodiversity.com/project/turkeypoint/viewTurkeyPoint2023.php>
      - <https://www.marylandbiodiversity.com/project/dansrock/viewDansRock2023.php>
    - Reports for both counts have been submitted to Maryland Birdlife for publication (in review)
  - General report on 2024 field trips (so far)
    - Future field trips will be posted to MBP social media
  - Future events
    - We anticipate doing bird counts at Turkey Point and Dans Rock starting August 1, 2024
    - We are monitoring access to Turkey Point in light of ongoing construction on the access road
    - Plans for upcoming field trips and the 2024 BioBlitz were discussed
  - Webpage updates
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- Updates to make the website mobile friendly continue
  - Updates to checklists complete
    - You can now generate a checklist of genera, families or categories of species (e.g., Freshwater Sponges).
  - The next meeting of the MBP Board will be held in late 2024

### **Board composition today**

- Jim Brighton - President
- John Hall - Secretary
- Bill Hubick - Treasurer
- Maren Gimpel - Member at large
- Jane Hill - Member at large
- Dan Small - Member at large

As always, thank you to our fantastic community of contributors and editors!

[Donations](#) are always appreciated and increase/accelerate the good we can do.