

TO: Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency Board of Directors

FROM: Juanita Shanley, Administrative Secretary

SUBJECT: July 11, 2011

DATE: August 18, 2011

Please find attached a copy of the **APPROVED MINUTES** from the July 11, 2011 Board Meeting. The next meeting of the WNCRAQA Board is scheduled for **Monday, September 12, 2011** in the Agency Board Room at 49 Mt. Carmel Road, Asheville, NC.

The Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency Board of Directors met on Monday, July 11, 2011, at the boardroom of the Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency, located at 49 Mt. Carmel Road, Asheville, NC.

The attendance of the Board members was as follows:

Members Present:

Britt Lovin

Loyd Kirk

Vonna Cloninger

Members Absent:

Dean Kahl

Karl Koon

Staff Present: *David Brigman, Director; Juanita Shanley, Administrative Secretary; Ashley Featherstone, Engineering Supervisor; Mike Matthews, Engineer; Vic Fahrner, Engineer; Kevin Lance, Enforcement and Monitoring Supervisor; James Raiford, Engineer; Arnie Lingle, Inspector*

Media Present:

Others Present: *Curt Euler, Attorney; Mike Plemmons, CIBO*

Mr. Lovin called the meeting of the Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency Board of Directors to order on July 11, 2011, at approximately 4:00 p.m.

The order of business was as follows:

I. PUBLIC COMMENT PROTOCOL ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Lovin started the meeting by reading the announcement about the public comment protocol.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

There were no other changes to the Agenda and Mr. Kirk made a motion for approval. Ms. Cloninger seconded the motion and it was approved 3-0.

III. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of minutes from the May 9, 2011 Board Meeting: Ms. Cloninger made a motion to approve the minutes with no changes and Mr. Kirk seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Proposed Fee Charges for City and County Permit Review: Mr. Lovin explained that the Agency reviews city and county permit applications and is proposing a charge of \$25 to review a single family residential application and \$50 for a commercial application. The proposal has gone out for public comment and none were received. Ms. Cloninger asked if a large commercial operation should be charged more, and Mr. Brigman explained that we did not want to overcharge and were trying to keep the fees simple. Mr. Kirk made a motion that the Board approve the proposal. Ms. Cloninger seconded the motion and it was approved 3-0.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

A. Presentation of Public Service Announcement by Buncombe County TV on Fire Engine Retrofit Project: The Board members watched the video put together by Buncombe County TV on the fire engine retrofit project and Ms. Featherstone explained the process as the video played.

Mr. Brigman had several items to pass along to the Board members. The Public Health Regional Surveillance Team 6 employees that had been renting space in the building have left and the Agency is working on a new one year lease with the state for the new employees that were to start July 1st. This would be an increase in rental income of approximately \$5,000. The state legislature has changed the regulations on toxics and opening burning but we are not sure how this will affect the agency yet. The ozone standard is due out this month but we are not sure what it will be. Congress is looking at reducing EPA funding which could affect our grant funds by as much as 15% for next year. However, we may get extra money this year in the 105 grant and are looking at purchasing ozone monitors if we do.

B. Facility Operating Permits (Modifications)

Facility Name	Type of Facility	Facility Classification	Location	Changes from Existing Permit
Carolina Colortones	Wood & Cement Siding Finishing Facility	Small	Industrial Drive, Arden	Update the equipment list
Mill Tek Toll Grinders, LLC	Mineral Product Grinding Facility	Small	Rutledge Road, Arden	Reconfiguration of equipment list, addition of a new crushing and grinding system and a new screening system and a new screening system, and change in physical location of facility.

There were no questions regarding the permit modifications and Mr. Kirk made a motion to approve the permits. Ms. Cloninger seconded the motion and it was approved 3-0.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Legal Council Report – Mr. Euler: Mr. Euler had nothing to report at this time.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. Advisory Committee Report – Dean Kahl: Mr. Lovin informed the Board that since Dr. Kahl was on vacation, he would report on the committee at the next meeting.

B. Calendar: The next meeting for the Board will be September 12, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

C. Announcements: Mr. Brigman informed the Board that they have an appeal hearing that needs to be scheduled. Mr. Lovin felt the hearing officer needed to be an outside source. They would check with Mr. Jim Siemens to see if he would preside as hearing officer for this appeal.

There were no other announcements.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Ms. Cloninger moved that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 4:25 p.m. and Mr. Kirk seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.