

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

FROM: Juanita Shanley, Administrative Secretary

SUBJECT: January 9, 2012

DATE: January 17, 2012

Please find attached a copy of the **APPROVED MINUTES** from the January 9, 2012 Board Meeting. The next meeting of the WNCRAQA Board is scheduled for **Monday, March 12, 2012** 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, January 9, 2012, 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
Dean Kahl
Karl Koon*

Members Absent:

*Vonna Cloninger
Loyd Kirk*

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

Media Present:

Others Present: *Mike Plemmons, CIBO; Keith Einsmann & Jay Maveety, Mission Hospital*

Mr. Lovin called the meeting of the Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency Board of Directors to order on January 9, 2012, at approximately 4:02 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. Koon made a motion for approval. Dr. Kahl seconded the motion and it was approved 3-0.

III. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of minutes from the November 14, 2011 Board Meeting: Page 4 was changed to read “*Mr. Koon ask how we would know...*” instead of “*Mr. Kirk.*” Mr. Koon made a motion to approve the minutes with no other changes and Dr. Kahl seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

IV. DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

A. Facility Operating Permits (Modifications)

Facility Name	Type of Facility	Facility Classification	Location	Changes from Existing Permit
Amcor Flexibles, Inc.	Manufacturer of Flexible Packaging Products	Title V	Sweeten Creek Road, Arden	Amendment to correct typographical error in permit

There were no questions regarding the permit modification and Dr. Kahl made a motion to approve the permit. Mr. Koon seconded the motion and it was approved 3-0.

B. New Facility Permits

Facility Name	Type of Facility	Facility Classification	Location	Proposed Equipment
Mission Hospital	Office Facility	Small	Hendersonville Road, Asheville	Two emergency generators
Patton Construction Group, Inc.	Portable Concrete and Stone Crusher	Small	Mistflower Lane, Asheville and various other sites with local zoning authority approval	Crusher, Screen, Conveyor Belts, Generator
Tutco, Inc.	Manufacturer of custom electric heaters	Small	Legend Drive, Arden	One mica sheet processing operation consisting of three routers, a sander, and an electric oven

There were no questions regarding the new facility permits and Mr. Koon made a motion to approve the permits. Dr. Kahl seconded the motion and it was approved 3-0.

Mr. Brigman updated the Board on several items. The EPA has finalized the utility MACT. This new ruling will not affect Progress Energy much since they have already updated their equipment to comply with the Clean Smokestacks Act. Our ozone levels this year were in compliance with the new standard, however if the standard changes in the future, we could be in non-attainment like along with many other areas of the state.

We are having problems collecting a permit review fee from the city. Permits and Inspections does not have a problem collecting the fee for us, but other departments have gotten involved and things have gotten complicated. Hopefully, we will still be able to work things out.

Asbestos removal and demolition is finished at the old CTS site, and we did not receive any calls or complaints.

Blue Ridge Concrete has taken down their equipment from the site in north Buncombe County. Mr. Turner said they are moving the equipment to Charleston SC.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Legal Council Report – Mr. Euler: None. Mr. Euler was not present.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. Advisory Committee Report – Dean Kahl: Dr. Kahl gave a brief overview of the Pat on the Back and Standing Ovation Awards. The Committee has been working on finalizing the guidelines for the Standing Ovation Awards (to be renamed the Clean Air Excellence Awards) along with a nomination form. He thanked Ashley Featherstone for getting everything together for the Board meeting. The staff will send out notices to the facilities in the next couple of weeks with a March deadline for nominations. Then, the committee and staff will make their selections, and the awards will be given out in a ceremony in May. Dr. Kahl made a motion to approve the award guidelines and nomination form and Mr. Koon seconded the motion. It was approved 3-0.

B. Calendar: The next meeting for the Board will be March 12, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

C. Announcements: Mr. Lovin stated that the November 12th meeting would be moved to November 13th if no one had a conflict. Mr. Lovin and Mr. Brigman received a letter informing the Board that Cecil Bothwell would remain the City Council's liaison to the Board.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Mr. Koon moved that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 4:27 p.m. and Dr. Kahl seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.