

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

FROM: Juanita Shanley, Administrative Secretary

SUBJECT: July 16, 2013

DATE: August 15, 2013

Please find attached a copy of the **MINUTES** from the July 16, 2013 Board Meeting. The next meeting of the WNCRAQA Board is scheduled for **Monday, September 9, 2013**, 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 Tuesday, July 16, 2013, 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

Vonna Cloninger (via Teleconference)

Karl Koon

Members Absent:

Loyd Kirk

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

Media Present:

Others Present: *Michael Frue, Attorney;*

Mr. Lovin called the meeting of the Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency Board of Directors to order on July 16, 2013, 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 was one addition to the Agenda, Item V. G. Budget Amendment. There were no other changes and Mr. Koon made a motion for approval. Dr. Kahl seconded the motion and the Agenda was approved 4-0.

III. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of minutes from the May 14, 2013 Board Meeting: Ms. Cloninger made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Koon seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

IV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

A. Ozone Monitoring Station Update: Mr. Brigman informed the Board that all equipment has been moved into the new building and everything is operating. The equipment was only down for one half day. The Home Owners Association seems to be happy with the building and landscaping. The old building at the Forest Service Station needs to be disposed of. Mr. Brigman will check with the Forest Service to see if they would like to keep the building and Mr. Frue will check on the process of disposing of the building.

B. Grant for Retrofitting Fire Engines in partnership with Reems Creek Fire Department: We received another grant to retrofit a few more fire engines at the Reems Creek Fire Department. Clark Power Equipment out of Greensboro has been awarded the contract for this retrofit.

C. Gas Can Swap: Suzuki sent us another shipment of gas cans to give away and we are planning to have the swap out at the Buncombe County Landfill on August 16th. It will be publicized on the county web site, our web site, Facebook, and we will send a notice out to all our media contacts. Ms. Cloninger offered to have the swap at her business location if we want to have it closer to town. She also has a recycling center for gasoline. After some discussion, Mr. Brigman decided to look at both locations before making a decision.

D. Facility Operating Permit (Renewal)

Facility Name	Type of Facility	Facility Classification	Location	Proposed Equipment
Asheville Metal Finishing	Industrial Electroplating and Anodizing Facility	Small	Clingman Avenue, Asheville	Insignificant activity list will be updated.
Basofil Fibers, Inc.	Synthetic Fiber Manufacturing Facility	Small	Sandhill Road, Enka	Insignificant activity list will be updated. NSPS applicability for the tanks will be reviewed for changes since last renewal (tanks may no longer be subject to the requirements).
Carolina Ready Mix and Builders Supply, Inc.	Ready-mix Concrete Facility	Small	Old U.S. Highway 70, Swannanoa	Insignificant activity list will be updated. One cement silo will be renamed for clarification.

Eaton Cutler Hammer – Avery Creek Facility	Electrical Distribution Facility	Small	Vista Boulevard, Arden	None
Forest Lawn Memorial Park, LLC	Pet Crematory	Small	Sand Hill Road, Candler	None
Mission Hospital	General Medical and Surgical Hospital	Synthetic Minor	Biltmore Avenue, Asheville	Synthetic Minor limitations associated with fuel combustion will be revised. PM emissions limits for the boilers will be recalculated. The insignificant activity list and permitted equipment list will be updated. Conditions relating to NSPS and MACT requirements for the emergency engines and boilers will be updated to reflect recent revisions to these subparts.
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center	General Medical and Surgical Hospital	Synthetic Minor	Tunnel Road, Asheville	The permitted equipment list will be updated. Conditions relating to NSPS and MACT requirements for the emergency engines and boilers will be updated to reflect recent revisions to these subparts.
Western Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory	Veterinary Testing Laboratory	Small	Airport Road, Arden	None

Mr. Lovin wanted to pull the Department of Veterans Affairs for discussion and asked if anyone had questions on any other permits. There were no questions regarding the permit renewals and Mr. Koon made a motion to approve the permits. Dr. Kahl seconded the motion and they were approved 4-0.

Mr. Lovin asked if we had received payment from the VA Medical Center for their permit and Mr. Fahrer told him we received it yesterday. There were no further questions and Mr. Koon moved to approve their permit. Dr. Kahl seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.

E. Facility Permit Modifications

Facility Name	Type of Facility	Facility Classification	Location	Changes from Existing Permit
Arvato Digital Services, LLC	Media Replication Services Facility	Title V	Monticello Road, Weaverville	Name and Ownership Change

Buncombe County Landfill	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Title V	Panther Branch Road, Alexander	Best Available Control Technology Requirements for the landfill gas to energy project will be incorporated into the permit. NSPS requirements will be updated.
Shakespeare Conductive Fibers, LLC	Synthetic Fiber Coating Facility	Small	Sand Hill Road, Enka	Addition of a new process line
Southern Concrete Materials – Biltmore Plant	Ready-mix Concrete Facility	Small	Meadow Road, Asheville	Replacement of particulate collection and control system. Insignificant activity list will be updated.

There were no questions regarding the permit modifications and Ms. Cloninger made a motion to approve the permits. Mr. Koon seconded the motion and they were approved 4-0.

F. New Facility Permits

Facility Name	Type of Facility	Facility Classification	Location	Changes from Existing Permit
D.H. Griffin Wrecking Company, Inc.	Portable Concrete and Stone Crusher	Small	Various sites with local zoning authority approval	Crusher, screen, conveyor belts, generator
WNC Pallet & Forest Products Co., Inc.	Pallet Mfg. And Grinding Facility	Small	Smokey Park Highway, Candler	Pallet Manufacturing Operation

Mr. Lovin asked that these two facilities be discussed individually, since Ms. Cloninger did not have the latest information on WNC Pallet. Mr. Brigman briefly explained the permit for D H Griffin Company. They had a permit previously and let it expire and now have decided they need a permit so they had to reapply for a new permit. There were no further questions and Mr. Koon made a motion to approve the permit. Ms. Cloninger seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.

Ms. Cloninger asked if WNC Pallet had ever been permitted before. Mr. Brigman explained that they had been permitted by us previously and then shut down operations a few years ago. They subsequently restarted a portion of the business and we determined that the pallet operation needed a permit. There were no further questions and Dr. Kahl made a motion to approve the permit. Ms. Cloninger seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.

G. Budget Amendment: Mr. Brigman explained that we need approval to increase our budget for the diesel retrofit grant. This is a pass through grant but we still need to change the budget to show the money coming in and going out. There were no questions and Mr. Koon made a motion to approve the amendment. Dr. Kahl seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.

V. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. **Proposal of Regulatory Changes:** We are proposing to adopt the changes to the state rules. Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) rules require emissions reductions for VOCs if you are in a non-attainment area. We have never had to require any of our facilities to comply with these rules since we are in attainment. EPA has required that the state make some changes to these rules to make them more broadly applicable in non-attainment areas. The state has made these updates and we are recommending that we adopt these changes to the RACT rules. Mr. Koon moved to approve the changes as presented and Dr. Kahl seconded the motion. It was approved 4-0.

B. **Legal Council Report – Mr. Frue:** Mr. Frue had nothing to report.

VI. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

A. **Advisory Report:** The Committee met on June 4th and Dr. Kahl briefly discussed the items presented. One suggestion was to clarify the guidelines for the air quality awards program. The committee wanted to ensure that businesses and organizations got awards for going above and beyond the requirements and for activities that were not part of their primary business or stated mission. They also suggested an amendment to the guidelines stating that the award cannot be given to an organization for the same activity they have previously been recognized for, unless they have done something else to trigger eligibility. They also discussed doing a case study on the retrofit projects the Agency has done over the last few years. The case study idea will be discussed at the next meeting on August 6th.

B. **Calendar:**

1. The next meeting for the Board will be Monday, September 9, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

B. **Announcements:** None

VII. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business, Ms. Cloninger moved that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 4:35 p.m. and Dr. Kahl seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.