

TO: Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency Board of Directors  
FROM: Juanita Shanley, Administrative Secretary  
SUBJECT: January 14, 2013  
DATE: April 25, 2013

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Please find attached a copy of the **APPROVED MINUTES** from the January 14, 2013 Board Meeting. The next meeting of the WNCRAQA Board is scheduled for **Monday, March 11, 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 Monday, January 14, 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*

*Loyd Kirk*

*Vonna Cloninger*

*Karl Koon*

Members Absent:

Staff Present: *David Brigman, Director; Juanita Shanley, Administrative Secretary; Ashley Featherstone, Engineering Supervisor; Vic Fahrer, Engineer; Kevin Lance, Enforcement and Monitoring Supervisor; Arnie Lingle, Inspector; Mike Matthews, Engineer; Betsy Brown, 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 January 14, 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 were no changes to the Agenda and Dr. Kahl made a motion for approval. Mr. Kirk seconded the motion and it was approved 5-0.

**III. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Approval of minutes from the November 13, 2012 Board Meeting:** Dr. Kahl suggested we add Evan Jones as attending the meeting. Mr. Koon made a motion to approve the minutes with this change and Ms. Cloninger seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

A. **New Monitoring Station Location:** Mr. Brigman stated that we would be getting the lease with the homeowners association signed this afternoon. The Agency will have a general contractor build the building on-site since it needs to conform to commercial building codes.

**V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

A. **Quarterly Report – 4th Quarter 2012:** There were no questions regarding the quarterly report.

B. **Clean Air Excellence Awards:** Ms. Featherstone informed the board that letters to facilities were mailed out last week and media contacts were emailed today. We will be taking nominations until February 15<sup>th</sup>. The Advisory Committee will be meeting on February 21<sup>st</sup> and will go through the nominations at that time.

C. **Radon Awareness Month:** Every year the Agency partners with the NC Radon program to give out free radon test kits in January. Citizens can come by the office to pick up a free kit.

D. **NC DENR Has a New Secretary:** The Governor has appointed a new Secretary for DENR, John Skvarla, III. We are not sure what changes he will make in the near future.

E. **NC Gas Tax Discussion:** Mr. Brigman stated he had a conference call meeting with the local program directors and the state regarding the NC gas tax. The state air program and the locals get a portion of the tax to fund environmental programs. There was a push last year to do away with the funds going anywhere but the DOT; however, nothing definite has been decided yet.

F. **Agency Website:** The Agency website has been turned over to the county IT Department, who will be updating the site for us. The site is outdated, and when Mr. Raiford left, we had no one to handle the updates and changes. Now IT will maintain and update the site and will eventually redo the website.

G. **New PM2.5 Standard:** The map handout shows the PM2.5 standards for North Carolina. It shows we are meeting all standards at this time.

**H. Facility Permit Modifications**

<b>Facility Name</b>	<b>Type of Facility</b>	<b>Facility Classification</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposed Equipment</b>
Black Rock Crushing, LLC	Portable Concrete, Stone, and Recycled Asphalt Pavement Crusher	Small	Three APAC Atlantic sites in Buncombe Co. and various other sites with local zoning authority approval	Permit will be updated to remove two conditions that the Agency has determined do not apply to the facility.
East Coast Drilling & Blasting, Inc.	Portable Concrete, Stone, and Recycled Asphalt Pavement Crusher	Small	Charlotte Highway, Fairview, and various sites with local zoning authority approval	Permit will be updated to remove two conditions that the Agency has determined do not apply to the facility.
Pace Construction	Portable Concrete, Stone, and Recycled Asphalt Pavement Crusher	Small	Various sites with local zoning authority approval	Permit will be updated to remove two conditions that the Agency has determined do not apply to the facility.
Taylor & Murphy Construction Company, Inc.	Portable Concrete and Stone Crusher	Small	Various sites with local zoning authority approval	Permit will be updated to remove two conditions that the Agency has determined do not apply to the facility.

Mr. Lovin read the changes for each modification and ask if there were questions. There were none and Dr. Kahl made a motion to approve the permits. Ms. Cloninger seconded the motion and it was approved 5-0.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Legal Council Report – Mr. Euler:** Mr. Euler informed the Board that Mr. Wimer had filed for Ms. Pitrolo with the US Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and asked that the judge be recused. We are still waiting on a ruling.

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS:**

**A. Calendar:**

- 1. The next meeting for the Board will be Monday, March 11, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

- B. Announcements:** Mr. Lovin informed the Board of an appeal hearing for Matthey Newby, held on December 12, 2012. He hopes to have information for the Board at the March meeting. Mr. Newby has been notified and will probably be here. Mr. Lovin also welcomed Betsy Brown, who replaced James Raiford, to the Agency.

***VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT:***

None

***XI. 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 5-0.