

MINUTES

REGIONAL AIR QUALITY COUNCIL

Thursday, October 4, 2007

RAQC MEMBERS/ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Andy Spielman, Chairman, *Hogan and Hartson, LLP*
Brad Beckham, *Colorado Department of Transportation (alternate)*
Theresa Donahue, *Metro Denver Health & Wellness Commission*
Doug Lempke, *Colorado Department Public Health and Environment (alternate)*
Ben Manvel, *City of Fort Collins*
Joan Ringel, *Citizen Member*
Nancy Severson, *Denver Department of Environmental Health*

RAQC MEMBERS/ALTERNATES NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Russell George, *Colo. Dept. of Transportation*
Mark Johnson, *Jefferson County Department of Health and Environment*
Jim Martin, *Colorado Department Public Health and Environment*
Jana Milford, *University of Colorado at Boulder*
Nathan Rabinovich, *National Jewish Medical and Research Center*
Melanie Worley, *Douglas County/DRCOG*

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ken Lloyd, RAQC; Misty Howell, RAQC; Sara O'Keefe, RAQC; Sarah Anderson, RAQC; Sarah Sullivan, RAQC; Steve McCannon, RAQC; Jerry Dilley, RAQC; Paul Tourangeau, APCD; Rick Griffith, ERAS, Inc.; Gail Hottman, CDOT; Kevin Lynch, Environmental Defense; Zac Graves, CDOT; Erin McVeigh, Williams Production; Rick Matar, Williams Production; Rebecca Cales, Transportation Solutions; Carly Gilbert, Environmental Defense; Barbara Charnes, Coloradoans for Clean Air; Lucy Nolan, ERAS; Cindy Cody, EPA; John Jacus, Davis Graham & Stubbs, LLP; Christopher Dann, APCD; Ken Wonstolen, Fulbright COGA; Jim Scrack, City of Aurora; Jim Brandon, ESP; and Diana Orf, Orf & Orf PC.

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Chairman Andy Spielman. A quorum was present at 3:45 p.m.

Informational Items

Chairman

Andy Spielman stated the ozone stakeholder process is moving forward at a good pace. RAQC staff has worked hard to gather strategy information to be used in the stakeholder process.

Executive Director

None.

Committees

None.

Members

Doug Lempke reminded Council of the October 18 AQCC meeting where there will be a rule making hearing on the inspection and maintenance program to allow the pilot high emitter/repair program (HB1302) to move forward. There will also be a briefing on oil and gas operations.

Public Comment

None.

Ozone Plan Update

Report on Stakeholder Meeting

Joan Ringel gave an overview of the Ozone Stakeholder meeting that was held on October 3. There was discussion regarding how the meetings should be organized to help focus discussion. The topic for the next meeting will be the modeling protocol.

Sara O'Keefe informed Council that all Ozone Stakeholder meeting information will be kept on the RAQC's ozone website, ozoneaware.org. There is also a feedback form for stakeholders to provide input if they are unable to attend meetings.

Council discussed the need to categorize strategies as short-term, 2010 implementation and long-term. These categories could include voluntary and regulatory strategies. It was noted that any short-term regulatory strategies would need to occur quickly due to the notice requirements of the AQCC.

Joan indicated a goal for the stakeholder group is to have a list of strategies by December 2007 or January 2008. Ken Lloyd stated that RAQC and APCD staff have begun looking at possible strategies for the 2008 ozone season. He suggested that this could result in a discussion paper that could facilitate the RAQC's consideration of these short-term strategies. This paper will be presented for discussion at the RAQC's November meeting and subsequent stakeholder meetings.

Staff will work to schedule meeting for each sector discussion.

Modeling Workplan

Jerry Dille provided an overview of the modeling workplan. He explained how the different modeling components will work together to give the best set of options for the area. He indicated that Task #6a, control strategy modeling, is the point where the stakeholder strategy recommendations will be used.

There was discussion on conformity budgets and how this process will affect them. Jerry said the mobile sources emission estimates used in the modeling process will become the budgets. There is a meeting with transportation planners on October 10 to discuss this issue.

The Board will formally approve the work plan at the November 1 meeting.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Theresa Donahue moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Doug Lempke. Motion passed unanimously.

Joan Ringel moved to approve the September 6, 2007 minutes. Seconded by Nancy Severson. Motion passed unanimously.

Theresa Donahue moved to approve the September 20, 2007 minutes. Seconded by Ben Manvel. Motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Items

Misty Howell indicated that counsel from CDPHE reviewed the bylaws as requested by the Council. She outlined the changes.

Amended Bylaws

Theresa Donahue moved to approve the Amended Bylaws of the Regional Air Quality Council. Seconded by Joan Ringel. Motion passed unanimously.

Amended Bylaws for the RAQC Clean Air Fund

Doug Lempke moved to approve the Amended Bylaws of the RAQC Clean Air Fund. Seconded by Nancy Severson. Motion passed unanimously.

Election of Vice Chair

Postponed for a later date.

Repair Your Air Campaign and Development of a High-Emitter Program

Steve McCannon provided Council with an overview and history of the Repair Your Air Campaign. There was discussion on how the HB1302 high emitter pilot program will work. Ken Lloyd indicated that at its October meeting, the Air Quality Control Commission will consider changes to Regulation No. 11 to implement the program.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.