

**ALLEGHENY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
BUILDING #7 – CONFERENCE ROOM
MEETING 3-17
June 26, 2017**

Committee Members/(Alts) Present

Dan Bricmont, (Chair), Bricmont Law
Chip Babst, Babst, Calland
Sara Marie Baldi, Salvation Army
Jeanne Clark, ALCOSAN
Coleen Davis, USS, Alternate
Rachel Filippini, GASP
Steven Hvozdoch, Clean Water Action
Robert Orchowski, Hillcrest Group
John Palmiere, Allegheny County Council

Others Present

Mark Donatelli
Megan Gould EPA R3
Chris Harding USSteel
Steve Hepler, DEP
Alaina Lantz USSteel
Matt Mehalik AQC
Med Mulcahy GASP
Brett Tunno USSteel

Committee Members/(Alts) Not Present

Dorothy Antonelli, Neville Green
Mark Jeffrey, US Steel
Dave Mazzocco, PPG

ACHD Members Present

Sandra Etzel
Jayme Graham
Jason Maranche
Tom Lattner
Karen M Sagel
Gao, Xifeng (Fiona)

1. Welcome and Call To Order

Dan Bricmont called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Action: A quorum was present. All in attendance made their introduction.

2. Approval of Minutes April 24, 2017

Action: Moved by John Palmiere 2nd by Coleen Davis

3. Subcommittee Reports:

- A. **Criteria Pollutant/Air Monitoring Subcommittee** – Coleen Davis reported that the Subcommittee met on June 15, 2017. As of the meeting there had been no comments on the annual network review. When network review is finalized the monitoring group will be posting the revised source testing manual for public comment.

The PM2.5 SIP is moving along, the Ozone data so far for 2017 shows four exceedances at South Fayette and one at Harrison.

The next meeting is August 3, 2017 at 1:30 pm.

- B. Pollution Prevention/Education Subcommittee** – Rachel Filippini reported the May meeting was cancelled owing to the appointment of Alaina Conner to a position downtown and Tony Sadar taking over as the liaison of the P2E committee and needing a minute to catch up on where the committee stands.

The committee has chosen not to follow through with the signage and looking forward to finding a more productive way to use the remaining money to educate the public.

The next will be July 20, 2017, at 1:30 PM.

- C. Regulation Subcommittee** – Robert Orchowski reported the committee has not met since the last meeting. Commercial fuel oil regulation, County Council conducted its first read of it so it's moving along for adoption. Upcoming things to be scheduled, Deletion of the low RVP gas requirement. Since the state is obligated by law to delete this, the county must follow suit. An update to Article XXI to address the state's RACT 2 regulation. Possible updated outdoor wood fire boiler regulation to update it to changes made in the regulations.

4. Sulfur Dioxide Proposed State Implementation Plan – Jason Maranche

A recommendation is being made to go to the Board of Health for adoption of the SO₂ SIP. Jason reviewed the various changes that have been made since the final public comment period, and a few additions and revisions to complete the SIP. Bob asked the basis of the single no vote not to recommend to the Advisory Committee, Jason clarified that it was a mixture of a little from each comment but the county is now comfortable sending this version forward. Steve questions if there will be another public comment, Jayme said absolutely hopefully in the next few weeks and have the permits issued beginning of August. Mark Donatelli raised concerns of where local power will come from if coal plants continue to shut down. Motion for recommendation of PM 2.5 SIP to the Board of Health. Moved Jeanne Clark Seconded Steve Hvozdoovich All in favor; Coleen Davis and Rachel Filippini abstained. Robert Orchowski commended Jason Maranche on his dedication and hard work completing this project.

5. Sewage Sludge Incinerator Rule Delegations - Tom Lattner

In 2011 the EPA created new guidelines for sewage sludge incinerators. Alcosan is the only sewage sludge incinerator plant currently under the older regulations. ACHD is now requesting the delegation of authority to implement the federal plan. Tom explained the information required by the EPA and the procedure, including public comment, that will be required by the EPA to follow through with this. Tom is asking the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Board of Health to approve going to public comment. Bob questions

if this would be considered a conflict of interest, Jayme clarified that Alcosan is an independent authority of the county. Coleen asked what happens if the county does not follow through with the. Tom said the Federal Plan says the Federal Government has full authority to step in and handle the situation. Motion to approve moved by John Palmiere seconded by Rachel Filippini. All in favor abstained by Jeanne Clarke and and Chip Babst.

6. Regulatory and Enforcement agenda - Jayme Graham

Jayme gave an overview of the presentation she gave at the Air and Waste Management Conference in Pittsburgh which gave an overview of the history of Allegheny County Health Department, the current goals of the department and what the department is expecting to do in the future. Jayme gave an update on Shenango and Neville Island, explained the Air Quality's use of Smell Pittsburgh, and adopting the State RACT regulations into the Counties. The county asbestos regulations are also being reviewed to change terminology to clarify better what the regulations is and covers. Asbestos and Open Burning enforcement is improving, the new inspectors are working hard and working with the local municipalities to improve communication and working together. Bob question how the backlog of permits is coming and Jayme assured the committee that the department is getting through the backlog and making progress. Bob gave Jayme acknowledgement for doing just a great job with the Air and Waste Management Conference.

7. Report of the Air Program – Jayme Graham

ACHD was a primary sponsor of the A&WMA Conference, the department was also able to send many employees to attend the various programs available. Tony Sadar was in charge of Environmental Challenge International which was a game for college students to figure out a way to deal with an environmental issue. Jayme announced the passing of a long time Air Quality employee who retired last year, John Goodwin. and also the new hiring of a permitting engineer, Bernadette Lipari. The department was informed they will be receiving the full amount of their EPA grant for this year, next year is still not known. The Volkswagen Settlement is moving ahead; Pennsylvania will be receiving around \$118 million dollars. This will be distributed for mostly diesel retrofitting. Hopefully more ideas will be available for various uses for the funding.

8. Citizen Comments –

Mark Donatell questioned how much energy is being created by solar power. Chip Babst asked the website dealing with oil & gas drilling in Allegheny County be reviewed as the way it is currently structured it is a very biased in the information it provides and he feels the links provided are not accurate and should not be recommended by the county as a source of fact. Jayme explained that all data on the Health Department website is going to be reviewed because it will be integrated into the Allegheny County website.

9. Date of Next Meeting and Adjournment.

The next meeting is August 14, 2017 at 5:30 pm. {Editor's note: The August meeting was subsequently cancelled.)

10. Adjournment

The meeting concluded at 7:00 pm. Coleen Davis moved to adjourn and Robert Orchowski seconded the motion.

Draft Minutes transcribed by: Karen M Sagel

Draft Minutes approved by: Jayme Graham