

**Advisory Council Minutes
September 25, 2014
Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency**

Members Present:

Jana McDonald, Air Pollution Control
Chester Jahns, Jr., Agriculture
Doug Pottratz, Member at Large
Adriane Borgias, Environmental
Hal Ophus , Business Community
Bernard Leber, (Bud), Industry

Staff Present:

Julie Oliver, Director
Barb Nelson, Finance & Personnel Administrator
Matt Holmquist, Compliance Administrator
Joe Southwell, PE, Air Quality Engineer
Mark Rowe, Air Monitoring ; Supervisor
Lisa Woodard, Public Information Officer
Debbie Riley, Secretary II

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

1. Approval of the July 24, 2014 Minutes

Chet Jahns made a motion to approve the July 24, 2014 minutes and Hal Ophus seconded it. Minutes approved.

2. Introduction of New Director and Advisory Council Members

Jana McDonald introduced Julie Oliver, SRCAA's new Director. Julie shared a brief summary of her education, work history and some personal information. The Advisory Council members and SRCAA staff introduced themselves and also shared personal information.

3. Advisory Council Members Air Quality Interest

Julie asked the Advisory Council members what air quality issues they are interested in and would like to discuss in future meetings. Bud is interested in Ambient Air Quality standards and where we are within that standard. PSD regulations long term for his facility and how close we are to the standards are important. He is also interested in greenhouse gas, the Governor's Carbon Emissions Reduction Taskforce, cap and trade and the impact on industry. Doug would like to know what the Advisory Council's relationship is with the Board of Directors, how best to advise the Board to feel valuable and see the issues as they evolve. He is very interested in climate change and thinks it's important to inform the public on the topic. Adriane is interested in the genesis of dust storms and evaluating issues outside the county and how they affect this

agency. She is also interested in the SIP and being involved in emergency planning and how the agency will address unexpected events. She thinks SRCAA is doing a good job with the regulations. Hal is still learning. Chet thinks Agricultural issues are important and there should be fewer restrictions on agriculture.

Julie discussed some internal issues with the agency's building. The building needs to have a maintenance plan. She will be working on the employee manual and the State Implementation Plan (SIP) that is coming due soon. She also mentioned that EPA will have a new ozone standard in January. She has been working with Ecology, State Health and the Emergency Management Division to add air quality incidents into the state emergency management plan. She would like to represent the perspective of the local Clean Air Agencies.

Adriane would like to have a better understanding of the SIP because it is important to the area. Julie asked if the council would be interested in a presentation regarding the SIP. There was interest expressed so Julie will prepare a presentation for the October meeting and for the Board of Directors at their November meeting.

There was discussion about meeting in November and December because of holiday conflicts. The council will set November and December meeting dates at the October meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 A.M.

The next Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2014 in Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency's office located at 3104 E. Augusta Ave.

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER

JULIE OLIVER, DIRECTOR