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Minutes of the Governing Board of Directors

Location, Date and Time:

Yakima City Hall Council Chambers

July 14, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m.

1. **Dick Camp, Board Vice-Chair**, called the Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
2. **Patty Walker – Roll Call** There was a quorum.

PRESENT WERE:	
BOARD MEMBERS: Dick Camp, County Representative-Vice-Chair Kevin Bouchey, County Commissioner Bill Lover, Large City Representative Bob Jones, Small Cities Representative	STAFF: Gary W. Pruitt, Executive Director Patty Walker, Clerk of the Board Hasan Tahat, Engineering/Planning Division Keith Hurley, Compliance/Monitoring Division Dave Caprile, Education Outreach Christa Owen, Fiscal Programs Manager
LEGAL COUNSEL: Gary Cuillier, Board Counsel	VISITORS: Jim Dyjak, Citizen Jean Mendoza, Friends of Toppenish Creek Noelle Saluskin, Yakama Nation Nate Sabari, The Pine Shop Derek LaFramboise, Shield’s Bag and Printing DeAndre` Stallworth, GE Aviation Kenneth Hereth, GE Aviation Mark Sieber, GE Aviation Dobbie Byrd, GE Aviation Russ Hart, GE Aviation Robert C Case, Jr., GE Aviation
ABSENT: Tom Gasseling, Member-at-Large, Chair Rand Elliott, Alternate, Co Commissioner Paul Overby, Alternate, Small Cities Rep Rick Ensey, Alternate, Large City Rep	MEDIA: Bonnie Lozano, YPAC

3. **Additions and Deletions to Agenda** –Vice-Chairman, Dick Camp, asked if there were any additions or deletions. There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

4. Dick Camp asked if anyone from the public would like to address the Board to come forward. Jim Dyjak, Moxee, WA, referred to the term “comp time” in the Board Minutes. Mr. Dyjack stated that per RCW comp time had to be off-set for work in lieu of overtime pay, which is a hidden cost. Mr. Dyjak, provided Board with copies of RCW 49.48.040 and RCW 49.46.130. Mr. Dyjak continued that the RCW states the staff member must request to have comp time in lieu of overtime pay. Mr. Camp asked staff to respond.

Gary Pruitt, stated that we allow staff to work a flexible schedule. If a person works over one-day when they reach 40-hours that week they must leave. Staff cannot use comp, or over-time. There was further discussion on the issue and what is allowable by the Department of Labor and Industries.

Mr. Camp then had the privilege of presenting Air Quality Excellence awards to:

Large industry recipient: Shields Bag – Derek LaFramboise. Mr. Camp thanked Shields for installing equipment that reduced their consumption of natural gas. Mr. LaFramboise accepted the award for Shield's and stated that they were able to accomplish their emission reduction with an energy savings program through WSU and Cascade Natural Gas. Shield's is planning a second oxidizer that will provide additional savings.

Medium industry recipient: GE Aviation – Mr. Camp stated that he appreciated their discontinuing the use of TCE as he knows it is difficult to find a substitute. DeAndre` Stallworth, Kenneth Hereth, Mark Sieber, Dobbie Byrd, Russ Hart, and Robert Case, Jr. received the award. DeAndre` thanked staff at Yakima Regional Clean Air Agency for their help. They added that Darryl Robins, who retired from GE Aviation, had worked hard on this project and deserved to be acknowledged in receiving this award.

Small industry recipient: The Pine Shop – Nate Sabari. Mr. Camp thanked Mr. Sabari for his reduction in emissions by changing to water-based stains and paint. Mr. Sabari thanked Gary Pruitt and Hasan Tahat for their help in achieving this reduction.

That concluded the Public Comment Period.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.1 By consent, approve Minutes of June 9, 2011; and
- 5.2 By consent, accept and file June, 2011, Monthly Activity Report.

Kevin Bouchey moved to approve Consent Agenda items 5.1 thru 5.2. Bill Lover seconded. Consent Agenda items were approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

6. Director's Report – Refer to written report for detail

Gary Pruitt, Director, reported on the following:

Mr. Pruitt stated that he and staff would like to be able to have a room full of people like these and thanked Board for their efforts to present these awards.

Dairy Policy Pilot Project– Staff reported that the tenth workgroup meeting was held July 8th. Staff provided those in attendance and stated the next meeting will be August 25th. A copy of the approved April 28th meeting summary is attached to this report.

Staff then outlined discussion of the meeting which consisted of the Pilot Project Budget report. About 52% of the budget has been expended. If more money is needed, staff is sure we will be able to get additional funding. The additional meeting items discussed was the BMP Scoring System Update, Inspection Update, and Ongoing Public Relations Effort.

Staff reported that the inspections should be concluded by September or October. All but one dairy operator that is involved in this project have submitted their plans.

Federal Budget – Staff reported that we have received word from EPA regarding the FY 2012 appropriations legislation, including EPA's budget calling for a reduction for state and local air grants to be cut nearly 15% from the current year's appropriation. It could result in a decrease in federal base grant revenue of \$18,500 from current revenue. Staff will keep Board updated.

That concluded the Director's report.

ACTION ITEMS

7. **Revised FY 2012 Budget**

Gary Pruitt stated that at the June 9th meeting Board adopted FY 2012 Budget with the condition that staffs' salaries be frozen as of June 30, 2011. Staff reported that the Revised FY 2012 Budget reflected Board direction. Resolution 2011-04 Billing Rate Statement was adjusted to meet their direction. Revisions were made as reflected in the Revised FY 2012 Budget per Resolution 2011-07. Staff asked Board to approve Resolutions 2011-04 and 2011-07.

Mr. Camp asked for a motion; Kevin Bouchey moved to approve Resolutions 2011-04 and 2011-07. Bob Jones seconded. Mr. Camp asked if there were any questions or discussion. There was none. Resolution 2011-04 and Resolution 2011-07 were approved.

8. **Fiscal Programs Report**

Christa Owen, Fiscal Programs Manager, asked Board to approve June payroll in the amount of \$63,244.18, and vouchers for June in the amount of \$20,150.07. Kevin Bouchey moved to approve payables. Bob Jones seconded. Payroll and vouchers were approved.

Staff referred Board to the monthly BVA, and Supplemental Income status. Staff asked if there were any questions. There were none. That concluded the Program report.

DIVISION/PROGRAM REPORTS

9. **Accept Engineering and Planning Division Report**

Hasan Tahat, Division Supervisor, reported that staff continues to be involved in the Air Quality Management Policy Pilot Project. Staff reported on their participation in the conference call with the Department of Ecology, TAPASH Collaborative, Department of Natural Resources (DNR), US Forest Service, and the Yakama Nation Environmental Management program regarding the Smoke Management Plan and five criteria to avoid smoke incursions into Yakima County.

Staff discussed the State Implementation Plan (SIP) proposed by EPA. A copy of the Draft SIP was provided for Board. The new SIP will result in the Agency revising Regulation 1 to include New Source Review so that it can be included in the WA SIP.

Staff continued with Division activities for June. There were no burn bans in June and referred Board to the Air Quality Graphs.

Staff asked if there were any questions. There were none. That concluded the Engineering and Planning Division report.

10. **Accept Compliance and Air Monitoring Division Report**

Keith Hurley, Division Supervisor, referred Board to division activities for the month of June. Staff asked if there were any questions. There were none. Staff did a recap of Compliance Division from 2010 through 2011 with percentages of reduction and increases in complaint responses. Staff continued that the Compliance Division continues to focus on areas of concern considering the season, such as dust, asbestos and outdoor burning now, and indoor heating during winter months.

Staff reported that the Minor Source inspections have increased with the inspector not being involved with Enterprise. Inspections are up 43%.

Kevin Bouchey asked staff about the meeting with the Central Washington Home Builders (CWHB). Gary Pruitt responded that it was well received. Staff thanked Joe Walsh for his support in obtaining asbestos awareness training for demolition and remodeler contractors by a state approved trainer. About 10- were certified for site inspecting to understand when asbestos would need to be removed prior to any renovations or demolitions. Staff feels this resulted in strengthening our relationship with CWHB and the industry.

Keith continued that the meeting with CWHB resulted in a policy to enable demolition and remodeling contractors on when they need to contact YRCAA and appropriate abatement contractors.

That concluded the Division report.

11. Public Education and Outreach Program

Dave Caprile, Public Information Officer was absent. Gary Pruitt presented the report on his behalf.

Staff reported that the Public Information Officer did report in depth on the telephone conference that was conducted on June 23rd regarding forest burning. Staff is in support of DNR decision. It appears there will be no burning in the Naches Ranger District that will affect Yakima County. Staff would like to continue looking at the five additional criteria for forest burning, and still allow prescribed burning that is necessary. Staff will continue to dialog with DNR and others to accomplish this.

Staff continued with other activities. June 22nd presentation to the Grandview Rotary Club on the YRCAA mission, dust control, wood stoves and dairy operations were topics given. On June 27th YRCAA participated in the Washington Pupil Transportation (WAPT) Convention representing anti-idling programs. The highlight of the convention was a hybrid school bus that West Valley School District now has. There was discussion on the savings of a hybrid bus over a regular bus.

That concluded the Program report.

12. Other Business & Adjournment

Dick Camp, Vice-Chair, asked if there was any other business. There was none. Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:40 p.m.

Dick Camp, YRCAA Board Vice-Chair

Patty Walker, Clerk of the Board

Audio CD of this meeting is available at the YRCAA.
Minute Summary submitted to Board for approval August 11, 2011.