

# Summary of the Governing Board of Directors Meeting

Location, Date and Time: Yakima City Hall Council Chambers,

February 12, 2015

Time: 2:00 p.m.

- **1.** John Gawlik, Board Chair, called the Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
- 2. Patty Walker, Clerk of the Board, conducted roll call. There was a quorum.

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- 3. Additions and Deletions to Agenda John Gawlik, Board Chair, asked if there were additions or deletions. There were none.
- 4. **Public Comment** –Board Chair, John Gawlik, opened the comment period. There were none. Board Chair closed the comment period.

#### 5. Consent Agenda

- 5.1 By consent, approve January 8, 2015 Board Meeting Summary;
- 5.2 By consent, approve February 3, 2015 Special Board Meeting Summary; and
- 5.3 By Consent, accept January, 2015 Monthly Activity Report;

Chair asked for a motion. Jon DeVaney requested staff to change the Monthly Activity Report to show the monthly comparison between years. Staff agreed to make the changes. Jon DeVaney moved to approve Consent Agenda. Steven Jones, seconded – Board approved.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

## 6. Director's Report

#### **Ag Task Force**

Mr. Pruitt reported the next task for the Ag Task Force is to aid the Agency in a comprehensive evaluation of the Air Quality Management Policy for Dairy Operations which has been assigned to the Dairy Workgroup. The Dairy Work Group is tentatively scheduled to meet in April to begin work on the task.

## **PM Advance Program**

The Clean Air Task Force has completed its evaluation of the PM Advance Path Forward. The focus of the evaluation was improving upon, and adding to, Agency measures and programs currently being implemented to reduce  $PM_{2.5}$  emissions. The group met January 13<sup>th</sup> at which time consensus was gained on the updates. The meeting summary was included with the report.

The Path Forward was posted on the website and received no further comments. The final 2015 Updated Path Forward is now posted on the website. The Path Forward will be forwarded to EPA.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5.1

# FY2016 Budget

Mr. Pruitt advised the Board staff has begun work on the FY Budget. Staff will use known values through March, 2015, and estimate the remaining three months to reconcile the FY2015 budget. That concluded the Director's report.

# **ACTION ITEMS**

# 7. Fiscal Program Report

Ms. Quatandra Jarvis provided the report as Ms. Owen was not able to attend. Ms. Jarvis asked Board to approve January Accounts Payable totaling \$9,847.03. There are no reimbursements from the Wood Stove Grant, or Enterprises expenses. Ms. Jarvis asked approval of January payroll, \$66,501.72. Steven Jones moved to approve payables. Jon DeVaney seconded. Payables were approved. The BVA and Supplemental Income reports are included.

# **DIVISION/PROGRAM REPORTS**

(See written reports for complete details.)

## 8. Engineering and Planning Division Report

Dr. Hasan Tahat informed Board the grant submitted to EPA in collaboration with WSU on October 6, 2014, Community-based Air Quality Monitoring for the Yakima Valley was not selected. A copy of the response from EPA was included with the report which showed the weakness and strengths of the application. The grant will be resubmitted at a future date.

Dr. Tahat discussed the air quality graphs. The initial 2014 design value for the FEM was, 27.4, and 30.2 for the FRM. Both values are below the standard of 35. Staff continued with Division activities. A burn ban was called for eight days. There were no questions from the Board. That concluded the Division report.

# 9. Compliance and Air Monitoring Division Report

Mr. Keith Hurley reported to the Board there was problem with the E-BAM. It has been sent for repairs. He explained that the FRM was also inoperative for ten days and that, for the samples that were missed, three out of 10 were made up.

Staff continued with Division activities. Mr. John Gawlik asked if we are able to make up the missing samples. Staff responded no. We may be below the 75% data rate average on the next quarterly report. Ecology could use FEM data to fill the gap.

Staff continued with information about the new EPA standards for woodstoves, pellet stoves, wood-fired hydronic heaters, and wood-fired forced air furnaces. Pellet stoves are now required to be certified. The new woodstove and pellet stove standards to be achieved by 2020 are 2.0 grams per hour (if tested with crib) and 2.5 grams per hour (if tested with cord wood).

Jon DeVaney asked if there was an estimated repair date on the E-BAM. Staff responded no. There were no other questions. That concluded the Division report.

## 10. Executive Division Report

Mr. Mark Edler reported the Wood Stove Change-Out Program is idle and we have 84 customers waiting to be funded.

Mr. Edler continued with the Education and Outreach Program. Staff reported on the presentation to the Lewis and Clark 7<sup>th</sup> Grade science classes on January 9, 2015 which included 500 students.

Staff gave an invitation to the Board to attend the "Care About the Air Affair" scheduled for March 6, 2015 at YV Tech Skills Center which provided information about the exhibits and presentations. There will be about 600 students participating.

Staff concluded that a new website, to include a comprehensive Compliance Assistance Program, will replace our current one next month.

# 11. Other Business and Adjournment

Board Chair asked if there was any other business. There was none. Steven Jones moved to adjourn. Jon DeVaney seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

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Audio CD of this meeting is available at the YRCAA. Meeting Summary submitted to Board for approval March 12, 2015