

OLYMPIC REGION CLEAN AIR AGENCY
2940 B Limited Lane NW
Olympia, Washington 98502

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 10, 2010

Members present: Mike Doherty, Clallam County
Phil Johnson, Jefferson County
Cynthia Pratt, City of Lacey
Terry Willis, Grays Harbor County
Dan Di Giulio, City of Port Angeles
Art Starry, Thurston County
Craig Ottavelli, City of Olympia (Vice Chair)
Lynda Ring-Erickson, Mason County

Members absent: Clay Harwood, Pacific County (Chair)

Ecology: Phyllis Baas

Legal Counsel: Fred Gentry of Bean, Gentry, Wheeler & Peternell

Staff Present: Fran McNair, Executive Director; Robert Moody, Compliance Supervisor,
Mark Goodin, Professional Engineer; Dan Nelson, Public Information
Officer; Lynn Harding, Administrative Services Manager; Jimmy Werner,
Senior Air Monitoring Technician; and Debbie Moody, Recorder

Noting the absence of our Chair and Vice Chair, Counsel advised the Board to choose a member to chair the meeting. Pratt moved to have Doherty chair the meeting. Johnson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

Doherty introduced Cynthia Pratt, City of Lacey. Pratt thanked Doherty and noted her background is water however she has had a little experience with air. McNair noted Pratt is also very familiar with SEPA. Doherty introduced Dan Di Giulio, Mayor of Port Angeles. Di Giulio thanked Doherty and noted he was recently appointed Mayor and had retired after 30 years with public transportation.

There were no additions or omissions to the Agenda. Doherty stated if there were no objections we would adopt the Agenda. There were no objections.

Doherty noted the Consent Agenda consisted of January 13, 2010 Minutes as well as the Warrants and wire transfers 63002603 through 63002648 in the amount of \$20,748.53; and Payroll 298283 through 298300 in the amount \$118,446.40 for January 7, 2010 through February 4, 2010. Johnson moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Starry seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 248 – KING 5 Recognition

McNair explained we had called 2 burn bans this winter. Dan Nelson, Public Information Officer, has worked very closely with the media; however, due to our close proximity with Seattle we are often forgotten on the news. Nelson made a point to go meet with KING5, KOMO4, and KIRO7 and the weather team at KING5 was fabulous. McNair wanted to support KING5 and the work they have done in getting our information out there. Nelson noted KING5 has gone so far to include a burn ban map on their web site. McNair felt it was appropriate to present them with some recognition.

Willis moved we adopt Resolution 248, supporting KING5's work with ORCAA. Starry seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Audit Results

Troy Niemeyer, Washington State Auditor's Office, noted they had met with staff prior to this meeting to go over ORCAA's most recent audit. Niemeyer stated there were no findings, nor were there any management letters. He noted this was a very good audit and also noted ORCAA has never had a finding since their inception. The Board thanked the Auditors.

Rule Revisions

McNair explained we are planning on holding a public hearing on the regulation changes at our April meeting. McNair noted the changes include removal of rules that are antiquated and definitions that are not used. We had a discussion about consistency across the state and we want to be consistent with the RCWs. Robert Moody, Compliance Supervisor, explained the changes are inconsequential. Basically we are bringing some rules into compliance with state laws. One minor change came about during a legal case with regards to ownership of property. We had several definitions that were no longer used in our rules, so we removed them. They do still exist in state law so if they are ever needed we can call them up from there.

Craig Ottavelli and Lynda Ring-Erickson 10:21am – Doherty requested Ottavelli Chair the remainder of the meeting. Ottavelli apologized for his tardiness and the meeting continued.

R.Moody noted wigwam burners were outlawed and we had not yet removed the section from our rules. The woodstove rules had not been changed since 1992 and we wanted to bring them up to speed with the state laws. The definition for impaired air quality was changed to match the RCW which should support the federal standards for PM2.5. Ottavelli asked if we are just referencing the RCWs so we won't have to make the changes in our regulations as often. R.Moody stated we did not do it that way. The RCWs are referenced however we have the language we want in our regulations.

Willis asked about the definition for agricultural operation; do you work with the shellfish growers. McNair stated we have a few sources that use crab shells and fish waste. R.Moody noted we can regulate a business growing spat; however we don't have any direct impact on oyster beds, for example.

Starry asked how the agricultural definition is used in our code. Is it in our rules because certain agricultural activities are exempt? R.Moody noted the agriculture definition is used with outdoor burning and odors. As for shellfish beds, low tides are exempt so we would not have any direct involvement in those types of operations. Some further conversations with regards to shellfish and aquaculture followed.

Ottavelli asked if there would be a hearing for these rules and do we need a motion to set it? Gentry noted the hearing is scheduled for April and we should have a motion from the Board. Ottavelli entertained a motion to set the public hearing for the rule revisions to be held April 14. Willis moved approval of the hearing date and revisions. Pratt seconded the motion. Ring-Erickson added we should probably note the time we are formalizing the hearing. Ottavelli added the motion will include the start time of 10:00am and will occur during a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Compliance Update

Robert Moody, Compliance Supervisor, noted we have been receiving complaints regarding Silver Springs. We have been working cooperatively with Thurston County Health to work through the issues. We will continue to work with Silver Springs in order to help them deal with the problems.

Pratt was looking over the compliance reports noted the LOTT inspection is listed as a business assistance and she was wondering what that means. Mark Goodin, Professional Engineer, noted he has been working with LOTT. Basically it was an assistance inspection regarding their co-generation plant. The inspection was connected with the permitting, working with them to fine-tune the permit.

ORCAA Permit Actions

Goodin explained, in brief, the permitting process to the new Board members. Goodin stated there were a couple of projects he wanted to highlight. The first project is the Washington State Department of Informational Services diesel generator project. DIS is proposing to put in a fleet of five diesel generators for backup power. Each generator is approximately the size of a locomotive engine, by way of horsepower. This is a large project is taking quite a bit of time due to the fact that we are pushing for more controls than were proposed by DIS' consultants.

The second project, Goodin continued, is the Forks School District. This project proposes to take an existing diesel boiler and replace it with a wood-fired boiler. This is located at the high school and has been in the planning stages for over a year. The school district received some funds from the fuels for schools project and submitted their permit to us. This boiler will have elaborate controls for this size boiler. They are proposing a multi clone up front, followed by a bag house. The boiler will be fueled by wood waste that is collected from the peninsula. We do expect to approve this permit soon.

Education and Outreach

Dan Nelson, Public Information Officer, stated we have updated our general agency brochure and have placed a copy in the Board packets. We continue to update our website and we are now optimized for mobile browsing. Nelson noted we have received our stand alone table top

displays and we have been distributing them to the city and county offices. The cards will help people become more aware of what permits they need from us while they are going through the planning/building process at their city or county office.

Nelson noted that project, along with some of our web innovations has garnered him an invitation to present at the National Air Quality Conference, hosted by EPA and the National Association of Clean Air Agency. The conference is scheduled for March.

Nelson stated there had been a one day, clean home heating-clean woodstove use clinics last month. There were three clinics; Olympia, Port Angeles, and Port Townsend. The three clinics were very well attended; in fact, the Port Angeles clinic hosted over 80 people. We are looking at ways to continue this type of education. We want people in our jurisdiction to burn their stoves as cleanly and efficiently as possible.

Administrative Services Update

Lynn Harding, Administrative Services Manager, noted the vouchers are available for review. She stated it was nice to get back a positive audit and we will continue to do a good job. Willis congratulated ORCAA on their clean and successful audit.

McNair stated her one year anniversary is coming up in March and she is prepared for her evaluation at the next meeting. McNair noted she had emailed everyone a copy of the evaluation packet and a return envelope is in the Board packets this morning. Send your comments to Ottavelli either by mail or email. We have scheduled the evaluation during Executive Session at the March meeting. McNair explained she has added goals and objectives so there is more to assess next year. Ottavelli encouraged the Board to look over and review what McNair has provided and let him know if there is anything else we might want to discuss.

We are about halfway through the legislative session and we have included an update sheet in your packets. McNair went over a few of the bills. She did note the HB2481; the Forest Biomass bill should be on its way to rules. Greenhouse Gas Reporting, HB2545, is now in rules as well. McNair noted several bills that died in committee. SB6236 is the companion bill to HB2481 died, but that isn't unusual to have one or the companion bills not make it through.

McNair stated she would forward the updates to the Board, once she receives it. McNair reminded the Board that we will be holding a refresher/new member orientation meeting directly after this meeting adjourns.

Air Quality Summary

McNair noted at the last meeting a couple of members had asked how we define the area we monitor. McNair stated Jimmy Werner, Senior Air Quality Technician will be explaining that we really can't define the neighborhood due to wind patterns make the areas change.

Werner briefly went over the newsletter. He noted the primary pollutants in the northwest are fine particulate and ozone (smog). Werner noted there were maps that showed where the monitors are located. Werner explained the air pollutant that drives our air quality index on a daily basis is the PM2.5. It was noted EPA is coming out with several new standards. We use a continuous monitoring approach with regards to PM2.5, Werner continued. Werner noted Lacey's monitor shows the higher values, while our coastal sites, including Cheeka Peak, show

