



MINUTES

Friday, June 3, 2011

RAQC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Andy Spielman, *Chairman, Hogan Lovells*
Eric Doering, *Town of Frederick*
Bob Fitzgerald, *City of Aurora*
Darryl Jones, *Coventry Development*
Ben Manvel, *City of Fort Collins*
Bob Murphy, *City of Lakewood*
Paul Natale, *City of Commerce City*
John Putnam, *Kaplan, Kirsch, & Rockwell, LLP*
Jennifer Schaufele, *Denver Regional Council of Governments*
Nancy Severson, *Denver Department of Environmental Health*
Nancy Sharpe, *City of Greenwood Village*
Skip Spensley, *Environmental Consultant*

RAQC MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Debra Baskett, *City and County of Broomfield*
Reeves Brown, *Colorado Department of Local Affairs*
Melissa Chalona, *CTL|Thompson Inc.*
Rick Garcia, *Department of Urban Housing and Development (advisory)*
Don Hunt, *Colorado Department of Transportation*
Elise Jones, *Colorado Environmental Coalition*
Richard Long, *Citizen*
Linda Morton, *Morton Consulting Co*
Jep Seman, *Corporate Advocates*
David Stewart, *EnCana Oil & Gas (USA)*
Will Toor, *Boulder County*
Chris Urbina, *Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment*
Elena Wilken, *Colorado Association of Transit Agencies*

RAQC ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Jennifer Finch, *Colorado Department of Transportation*
Martha Rudolph, *Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment*
Tareq Wafaie, *Colorado Department of Local Affairs*

RAQC STAFF PRESENT:

Ken Lloyd; Sarah Anderson; Jerry Dilley; Misty Howell; Stephanie Lind; Steve McCannon; Aneka Patel; and Kate Riegle.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Theresa Amoroso, APCD; Barry Andrews, Anten Group; Kris Bohling, Wagner Equipment; Andrew Casper, COGA; Dennis Creamer, Consultant; Karen Hancock, City of Aurora; Scott Jackson, EPA; Chris Martinez, Noble Energy; Rick Matar, Williams; JoDell Mizoie, Williams; Jody Ostendorf, EPA; Mike Silverstein, APCD; and Mathew Wassenberger, City of Aurora.

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chairman Andy Spielman. A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

Paul Natale moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Nancy Severson. Motion passed without objection.

Approval of Minutes

Darryl Jones moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by John Putman. Motion passed without objection.

Informational Items

Chair

Andy Spielman informed Council that he was involved with the ozone season kick-off media event on June 1, 2011. He said that as part of the press conference, he, Jennifer Schaufele and Mayor Vidal were able to share their perspectives on the challenges of meeting the standard as well as some of the simple steps that can be taken to help reduce ozone formation. He noted that he also participated in a live interview with 9 News. Paul Natale asked for a copy of the television coverage.

Executive Director

Ken Lloyd informed Council that current ozone values chart will be available weekly on ozoneaware.org.

He announced Kate Cooke has been hired as the Transportation Program Manager. Kate was previously a planner with the City of Lakewood.

Members

Jennifer Schaufele announced that DRCOG and Region 6 TMAs have formed a partnership to create a regional TDM. This partnership will use a coordinated, comprehensive program approach and will have a comprehensive ad campaign (\$650,000-\$700,000/year).

Martha Rudolph informed Council of a staffing change at CDPHE. Mike Silverstein is now the Technical Secretary for the Air Quality Control Commission and Garry Kaufman is the Deputy Director of the Air Pollution Control Division.

Jennifer Finch announced her retirement from CDOT. She said she would work with Don Hunt before she leaves to appoint a new CDOT alternate in case he is unable to attend meetings.

Bob Fitzgerald said that the City of Aurora is working with partners to get electric fueling pedestal set-up in Aurora.

Public Comment

Randy Harrison, MOVE Colorado, distributed a flyer with information on the Symposium on Mileage-Based User Fees scheduled for June 13 -14, 2011 in Breckenridge. He invited Council members to attend the conference and the pre-conference event on Sunday, June 12, 2011.

Skip Spensley recommended that Council receive a presentation from MOVE Colorado on this topic.

Legislative Wrap-Up

Ken Lloyd provided Council with an update on legislation of interest. House Bill 1291, regarding Regional Haze, passed the House and Senate, was signed by the Governor, and can be forwarded to EPA. Garry Kaufmann confirmed that the State has submitted the SIP to EPA. Ken also noted that a few alternate bills regarding Regional Haze failed.

House Bill 1275, regarding diesel idling, passed the House and Senate and was signed by the Governor. Ken noted that the RAQC will be working with the Colorado Motor Carriers Association to educate the local governments on the program.

Ken informed Council that the bill to remove Larimer and Weld Counties from the emissions program failed.

Formation of Stationary and Area Source Strategy Subcommittees

Andy Spielman proposed the Council create subcommittees, similar to the last round of subcommittees, and begin work over the summer in lieu of monthly Board meetings. He suggested Council reconvene its regular monthly schedule in September at which time the subcommittees can report-out on the work completed over the summer. The fall work plan would be to outline what strategies need additional detail.

RAQC and CDPHE staff have worked to group strategies for subcommittee work. A table, which outlined subcommittee and strategy suggestions, was distributed. Ken provided Council with an overview of how the table was developed. APCD and RAQC staffs have been working on papers to provide a starting point for discussion by each subcommittee. The subcommittees will consist primarily of RAQC members; however the meetings will be open to the public. Ken also noted that work is continuing with the Transportation and Land Use, and Pricing subcommittees.

Council agreed to conduct subcommittee work as outlined. There was discussion on whether EPA will be announcing the new standard in July. Ken noted the important part of the standard announcement will be implementation rule that will come out with it. This will help guide the next steps of the SIP development.

A subcommittee sign-up sheet was distributed at the meeting and Misty Howell will email Council with the subcommittee options so that each Council member can sign up for participation on at least one of the subcommittees.

Public Comment

None.

Wrap-up and Discussion of Upcoming Meetings

Andy Spielman said the meetings through the remainder of 2011 would include subcommittee report-outs. Ken Lloyd noted that Martha Rudolph has reached out to the Governor and will continue to work with his staff to see if he can attend an upcoming meeting. Ken informed Council that TJ Deora, the Director of the Governor's Energy Office, will also be invited to meet with Council.

Bob Fitzgerald informed announced the grand opening of EcoTech (a green college) in Aurora.

John Putman inquired about follow up to the modeling meeting. Ken Lloyd said the modeling is underway and a Modeling Forum to discuss base case modeling is being coordinated for late August/early September. Skip Spensley said it would be helpful to know what Transportation and Land Use strategies can be modeled. Ken indicated the DRCOG/EPA study will help provide information.

Karen Hancock, City of Aurora, announced a Citizen Planning Academy, September 22 – October 27, 5 – 6:30 pm at the Aurora Municipal Center, which is open to the public. She invited Council to participate.

Nancy Severson announced the opening of the new animal shelter which was constructed on a Brownsfield and includes a "green" building.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.