

**Advisory Council Minutes  
June 23, 2016  
Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency**

Members Present:

Doug Bleeker, Fire Protection  
Jana McDonald, Air Pollution Control  
Doug Pottratz, Member at Large  
Hal Opus, Business Community  
Adriane Borgias, Environmental  
Ron Edgar, Chemistry  
Raymond Byrne, Public Health Director  
Bernard Leber (Bud), Industry

Staff Present:

Julie Oliver, Executive Director  
Joe Southwell, PE, Air Quality Engineer  
Barbara Nelson, Finance & Personnel Admin.

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

**1. Approval of the May 26, 2016 Minutes**

Doug Bleeker moved to approve the amended May 26, 2016 minutes and Ron Edgar seconded it. Minutes approved.

**2. Follow-Up from June 2<sup>nd</sup> SRCAA Board of Directors Meeting including budget approval for next fiscal year**

SRCAA has received the two Beta Attenuation Monitors (BAMs) for measuring PM. The Spokane River Atmospheric Deposition Study (SRADS) for PCBs conducted by Ecology is up and going. In May the router, modem, and other items were stolen from the Airway Heights monitoring site which is located on an elementary school roof. The components have been replaced and are operational again. Julie participated in the City of Spokane's focus group meeting to discuss the City of Spokane's infill development project. She was asked to provide an air quality perspective at the meeting June 7<sup>th</sup>. The Marijuana Advisory Committee (MAC) meeting went well. The MAC will be taking a break for several months to review everything they learned to see what they can come up with for a program. SRCAA staff worked with the Spokane Fire Department and County Department of Emergency Management in reviewing a proposal from a Washington National Guard training exercise involving several government

agencies to release a chemical meant to simulate an industrial release due to a major earthquake and an airplane to remotely measure emissions from the release. After further review, a decision was made to move the training exercise to a more rural location on the west side of the state. At the NACA meeting April attended there was some discussion about the negotiations with VW “defeat devices” used to cheat the emissions tests. The settlements do not resolve pending claims for civil penalties and how the civil penalties should be dispersed around the country.

**3. Community Survey: Executive Summary and Observations – Bill Robinson of Robinson Research**

Bill Robinson gave a presentation of the results from the Community Survey and possibilities for future use.

**4. Potential Marijuana Study**

Joe gave an a brief overview of the marijuana growing operations proposed emissions sampling and testing project and its timeline.

**5. Next Month’s Meeting – Keep Advisory Council posted on the Marijuana study.**

**The meeting adjourned at 9:04 A.M.**

The next Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for July 28, 2016, at Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency’s office located at 3104 E. Augusta Ave.

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JULIE OLIVER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR