

**Advisory Council Minutes
September 24, 2015
Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency**

Members Present:

Jana McDonald, Air Pollution Control
Doug Pottratz, Member at Large
Raymond Byrne, Public Health
Ron Edgar, Chemistry
Hal Ophus, Business Community
Doug Bleeker, Assistant Chief
Adriane Borgias, Environmental

Staff Present:

Julie Oliver, Executive Director
Debbie Riley, Secretary II
Lisa Woodard, Public Information Officer

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

1. Approval of the August 27, 2015

Doug Pottratz moved to approve the August 27, 2015 minutes and Ron Edgar seconded it. Minutes approved.

2. Follow-Up from Last SRCAA Board of Directors Meeting

The inspection on the roof was done and went well. SRCAA needs to do some updates to the Safety Plan based on a recent L&I consultation. We are continuing presentations to the cities and towns. SRCAA presented to the Spokane County commissioners and we will be presenting to Fairfield in October. All staff, Advisory Council members and the Board are invited to attend the Fall Advance (formerly retreat) meeting on November 6, 2015. The Board appropriated the funding for the railing for the roof. SRCAA is working on bids for better lighting for the parking lot. Jake Blanchett, one of our engineers, accepted a position with Spokane Valley Fire Department. His last day will be September 30th. SRCAA will be working on an updated job description and filling that position.

3. Introduce Lori Rodrigues

The introduction of Lori Rodrigues as Compliance Section Manager was made.

4. AQI Recap

On August 21st the current AQI reached 330 the hazardous category for PM 2.5 for a brief period of time due the fires in the area and the smoke. Although the accurate value was displayed, the color graphics didn't extend to that high of levels. SRCAA staff coordinated with the Spokane Regional Health District and the media. Due to the large fires an Air Resource Advisor was brought in to help with the fires. The Air Resource Advisor and their information was very valuable to SRCAA.

5. Lessons Learned from August Smoke Event

The Air Quality Index chart has been updated to hazardous. A few new icons have been added. The agency identified the need for more IT backup persons and cross training other employees. We are looking at more ways to boost data transmission signals.

6. Position Proposals

Margee Chambers will fill the new Rule Writer/AQ SIP Planner position effective September 16th. An updated position description for the Public Information Specialist position Margee is leaving will be presented for action at the October 1, 2015, Board Meeting

7. Advisory Council Comments/Concerns

There were no other comments or concerns from the Advisory Council.

8. Next Month's Meeting

Recap on the Marijuana Symposium and what direction the Board would like SRCAA to take. Discuss engineering position

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 A.M.

The next Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2015, at Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency's office located at 3104 E. Augusta Ave.

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER

JULIE OLIVER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR