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SpokaneCleanAir.org

Advisory Council Minutes

April 27, 2023

Members Present:

Ron Edgar, Chemistry
Hal Ophus, Business Community (Zoom)
John Dietzman, Environmental
Tony Masiello, Member at Large
Doug Bleeker, Fire Protection (Zoom)
Brent Downey, Industry (Zoom)
Jana McDonald, Air Pollution Control
Jackie Etter, Agriculture (Absent)
Raymond Byrne, Environmental Public Health Director

Staff Present:

Scott Windsor, Executive Director
Amber Ellis, Administrative Assistant
Lisa Woodard, Communication/Outreach Sect. Mgr.
Michelle Zernick, Finance & HR Sect. Mgr.

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

1. **Introductions:**

2. **Approval of the March 23, 2023, Minutes:** Raymond Byrne moved to approve the March minutes and Tony Masiello seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Executive Directors Report for March 2023:** The EPA finalized the details of initial grants from funding of the Inflation Reduction Act. Planning grant details for the 67 largest population centers were released March 1st. The EPA has stated that collaborative efforts in planning for grants from the IRA will be highly scored and that planning grants will be for 23-24 with implementation grants available in 24. The Agency has two staff members participating with the DOE Landfill Methane Emissions regulation meetings. The Executive Director is planning outreach to our small city partners this spring. The Agency has requested additional one-time grant funding from DOE to collaborate with our Black Carbon Studies. This funding was awarded to the DOE by the EPA Region 10. The Agency is still waiting to hear back from the state auditors concerning our audit. As of last week, over 95% of our registered sources are up to date and accounted for. Some discussion ensued.

4. **Education/Outreach – Lisa:** Lisa gave a presentation of the communications and outreach section goals/aspirations, programs supported by communications, sample communications tools utilized, intergovernmental collaboration (messaging, tools/assets), community engagement, youth engagement, grants, and challenges. Some discussion ensued.

5. **Registration Budget – Michelle:** Michelle gave a presentation on the FY-24 budget, current fee structure, registration program costs, registration fee structure, and the four

registration fee options to get to cost recovery for the registration program. SRCAA would like to recommend option two. The Advisory Council suggested going with option one or two and possibly figuring out a way to charge for the change of ownership process. Discussion ensued.

6. Open Discussion – Current Topics:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

The next Advisory Council Meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2023.

Advisory Council Member

Scott Windsor, Executive Director