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## Advisory Council Minutes

March 23, 2023

### Members Present:

Ron Edgar, Chemistry (Zoom)  
Hal Ophus, Business Community (Zoom)  
John Dietzman, Environmental  
Tony Masiello, Member at Large  
Jackie Etter, Agriculture  
Doug Bleeker, Fire Protection (Zoom)

### Staff Present:

Scott Windsor, Executive Director  
Mary Kataoka, Administrative Assistant

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

1. **Introductions:**

2. **Approval of the February 23, 2023, Minutes:**

Tony Masiello moved to approve the February minutes and John Dietzman seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Executive Directors Report for February 2023:**

The EPA is finalizing the details of initial grants from funding of the Inflation Reduction Act. Planning grant details for State and Local Agencies will be released March 1<sup>st</sup>. 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 awarded its 2023 Clean Air Award to Rob's Demolition for the outstanding work they do in asbestos management at the 2023 CTR Awards banquet. Calie and Margee were recognized with awards for their efforts in CTR. The Executive Director has participated with Priority Spokane concerning Environmental community metrics. The Agency has requested and received an extension on grant funding from the American Rescue Plan. This was due to difficulties with the new equipment that was purchased. The Agency is waiting to hear back from the state auditors concerning our audit. The WAQMG meeting took place yesterday, March 1, and distribution of IRA funds to locals was discussed. The office was closed February 27<sup>th</sup> due to the Enduris building having a water pipe freeze and the water had to be turned off. Some discussion ensued.

4. **IRA Grant Ops – Scott:** Scott gave an overview of the IRA Grant Ops and went over the presentation documents from his EPA's Large Municipal Waste Combustors and NACAA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Overview meetings he attended. Discussion ensued.

5. **Upcoming Board Meeting Agenda/Retreat:** The retreat will follow the April 6, 2023, board meeting, which will run from 9:30 to 10:30 and the retreat from 10:30 to approximately 12:30. There will be introductions, budget discussions, presentations from each of the supervisors, closing remarks and then the around the room discussion.

6. **Open Discussion – Current Topics:** The Advisory Council would like to here about what the EPA is looking at versus what SRCAA is already doing and what the numbers will be. A little discussion ensued on the WTE Plant, and it's permit.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:52a.m.**

The next Advisory Council Meeting is scheduled April 27, 2023.

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Scott Windsor, Executive Director