

Minutes

Asbestos Advisory Group Meeting

Thursday November 5, 2015
Room 45 1:30p – 3:30p

The goal of the Asbestos Advisory Group is to advise DEQ on various issues relating to asbestos regulation.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Jim Devlin – Citizen at Large
Joe Radonich- State & Federal Public Works
Bruce Kirby – Contractors & Consultants
Ed Surbrugg – Consulting Engineers & Architects
Peggy Trenk – Trade Associations
Barb Butler – Waste & Materials Management
Gayla Benefield – Environmental Advocacy (via Lync)
Brad Evanger – Minor Facilities (via Lync)
David Keller (replacing David Galt) – Major Facilities (via Lync)
Annette Satterly – School Organizations

Committee Members not in Attendance:

Harold Blattie- City & County Public Works & Permitting
Nick Van Tighem - General Construction Contractors
Jennene Lyda- Worker Protection

Others in Attendance:

Cody Clarke – Ingraham Environmental
Bruce Ingraham – Ingraham Environmental
Judy Kirby – Kirby Environmental
Jessica Smith – DEQ REM State Superfund

AAG Support Staff in Attendance:

Ed Thamke – DEQ WUTM Bureau Chief
Deb Grimm – DEQ Asbestos Control Program
Emily Ewart – DEQ Rule Writer
Kerri Blanton – DEQ Minutes
Mark Hall – DEQ Hazardous Materials Section
Lisa Peterson – DEQ Public Information Officer
Bob Habeck – DEQ Facilitator

Meeting Called to Order at 1:30 p.m. by Bob Habeck

Welcome & Opening Remarks:

- Bob Habeck, facilitator from DEQ, provided the Welcome and Opening Remarks and review of October meeting. Bob asked for those on the phone to identify themselves.

Action Item:

- October Minutes. Motion to approve was moved by Peggy Trenk and second by Bruce Kirby. No further discussion. There was unanimous approval.
- Bob reviewed the November agenda items.

Old Business:

- Discussion of 2016 meeting schedule. Discussion of the results of Doodle Pool for 2016 1st quarter results. The dates of January 6th, February 3rd, and March 2nd were clearly the day's most members could attend. It was discussed that members who could not make a scheduled monthly meeting can continue to stay engaged through the focus group meetings, via proxy, and /or through DEQ.

Floor Motion:

- AAG 2016 1st Qtr Meeting Schedule. Motion to approve was made by Peggy Trenk and second by Jim Devlin. No further discussion. There was unanimous approval.
- Lisa Peterson from DEQ discussed the use of an online project management tool called 'Basecamp' and showed members the tools that that can be useful to exchange information by the focus groups. Lisa mentioned that using Chrome works much better than Internet Explorer (IE). Lisa agreed to send members Basecamp invites to establish their participation using this tool.
- No public comment on old business.

New Business:

- Emily Ewart and Deb Grimm from DEQ discussed the Asbestos Regulation 201/HB 434 directives flow charts that illustrated four focus groups: State & Federal Regulations; Permitting; Funding; and Enforcement & Cleanup. DEQ had suggested possible member participation in each group. Bob re-affirmed that the eight directives from HB 434 continued to break themselves into four primary groups and that the workload was equitable between them.
- Bruce Kirby had a question regarding what counted as NESHAP's mandatory wait 'days' for an asbestos project before the project could start. Business and work days consist of holiday, work week days and no weekend days. Members discussed local building

permit programs and the use of permit checkboxes. How could that practice be institutionalized across the state? Further discussion ensued regarding landfills and the relationship between permitting up front and the disposal at the end. Bob mentioned capturing proposed recommendations and adding them to a 'Green Room' – a place similar to the Parking Garage where recommendations can be queued-up for further evaluation.

- AAG members volunteered for the following focus group(s):

State & Federal Regulations

Annette Satterly
Bruce Kirby
Brad Evanger
Gayla Benefield
David Galt
Joe Radonich
Peggy Trenk
Barb Butler
Jennene Lyda

Permitting

Annette Satterly
Brad Evanger
Peggy Trenk
Ed Surbrugg
Harold Blattie
Nick Van Tighem
Jim Devlin

Funding

Annette Satterly
Peggy Trenk
Jim Devlin

Enforcement & Cleanup

Gayla Benefield
David Galt
Joe Radonich
Peggy Trenk
Ed Surbrugg
Barb Butler
Jennene Lyda

- Ed Thamke discussed the status of the proposed asbestos fee rule. Based upon public comment and the AAG, DEQ has decided to not continue the rulemaking process. The proposed rule notice will simply timeout and not be in effect. DEQ will track AAG discussions and comments made through the focus groups to ensure the draft rule is reflecting stakeholder concerns. The status of the rule making information is listed on the DEQ Asbestos website under Proposed Fee Rule Making in Process link.
- Dave Keller had a question and discussion ensued on what the asbestos permit funding fees proposed are.
- Annette Satterly asked a clarifying question regarding funding – state to request delegation from EPA for the AHERA program? This topic was moved to the Parking Garage.
- No public comment on new business.

Public Comment:

- No public comment on any matter not contained on the agenda but is within the scope of the AAG.

Action and Discussion Items for December's Meeting:

- Review November minutes for approval.
- Further review of Basecamp.
- Review of recommendations in the Green Room / Parking Garage.
- Discussion of Focus Group priorities.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:30 p.m.