

## Environmental Quality Advisory Board

### Regular Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2015

- A. Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board (EQAB) was held at the Municipal Training Room. The meeting convened at 7:00 PM with Steve Kenworthy, chairman, presiding.
1. Members in attendance: Bruce Applegate (Staff Liaison), Steve Kenworthy, Rhonda Bogard, Joe Wood, Marisol Bonnet, Pat Imperato, Paige Russell, Donna Kridelbaugh, and Trystan Bordeau
  2. Members Absent: Gray Dean Kaela O'Dell, Emma Milloway
  3. Non-member guest: Kathy Olsen, Ellen Smith, Virginia Dale, Amy Fitzgerald, Doug Coleclasure
- B. Manhattan Project National Historical Park planning activities by Amy Fitzgerald, Government Affairs and Information Services Director: Ms. Fitzgerald reviewed the history of the project starting in 2004 with the legislation to evaluate creating the Manhattan Project National Park to the present. The Dept. of Interior and DOE have until December 19, 2015 to create an MOU defining facilities and assets to be included in the Park. The Central office will be in Colorado. Victor Knox will be the project manager. 2016 will be the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Park Service. Every 4<sup>th</sup> grader will be given a pass to visit the parks. The libraries and convention bureau are working on joint marketing plan. Joe Wood asked how EQAB can help. Ms. Fitzgerald said EQAB could help in identifying artifacts and historically significant assets to include in the Park exhibits.
- C. Approval of Agenda and July 6, 2015 Minutes: The agenda was modified by a motion (presented by Robert Kennedy and seconded by Donna Kridelbaugh) to move discussion of public energy conservation efforts under F2 Cap report and related issues, to add discussion of local waterways as F4. And include discussion of the proposed DOE land transfer to the Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority under new business. Motion was passed by the committee unanimously. Motion to approve the July 6, 2015 minutes was made by Joe Wood, seconded by Donna Kridelbaugh. Motion carried
- D. High School Representative Report: no report
- E. Unfinished Business:
1. Three Bend Area Recommendation for Manhattan Project National Historical Park: Motion to approve final revision to be sent to City Council was made by Robert Kennedy, seconded by Joe Wood. Motion carried.
  2. Climate Action Plan (CAP) report and related issues: Marisol Bonnet said she would like to see fuel blends be included in the CAP model. There needs to be a normalization of data. Between 2010 and 2015, 59 new homes have been built in the city. Schools have shown a 12% decrease in energy use.
- Joe Wood said that page 2 of the CAP report the points made should have bullets, and the report should identify variables that were not taken into consideration.

EQAB members should send recommendations to Mr. Applegate by 8/14/15

TVA might share results from energy audits that they have been performing in the City.

3. Agenda for August 20<sup>th</sup> EQAB work session (Charter review and City Council Engagement): EQAB members asked that Bruce Applegate facilitate the 8/20 work session.

- a. discuss roles and responsibilities by reviewing the EQAB charter
- b. how to interact with City Council
- c. clarify communication protocols including responding to grass roots concerns
- d. review agenda format to align with roles and responsibilities
- e. how to vet items for EQAB discussion
- f. develop an action item tracker

F. Reports and Other Communications: no reports

G. New Business

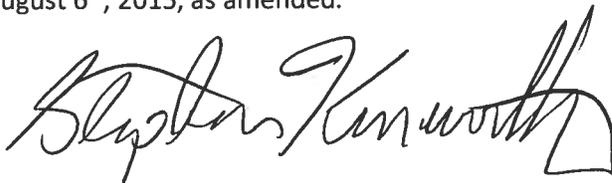
- a. Pat Imperato asked why the schools are not recycling. Ms. Imperato will work with Mr. Bordeau to contact Ms. Beth Adler, science teacher at ORHS) for input on the decision not to recycle.
- b. There will be a public meeting on 8/19/15 at 2 PM at the TDEC office to discuss the proposed low level radiation landfill and the Community Impact Assessment being developed by the Ferguson Group, LLC.
- c. Ronnie Bogard reported that Regan McGahan is in charge of the TDEC Division of Water Resources. TDEC has repaired links on its website.
- d. Steve Kenworthy will send EQAB members the link to the Draft Environmental Assessment on transferring DOE land at the Heritage Center to the Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority to construct an airport on the west end of Oak Ridge.

H. Meeting was adjourned at 9:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted Pat Imperato

8/29/15

Approved August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015, as amended.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Kenworthy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "S" and a distinct "K".