

GARFIELD COUNTY ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD (EAB) MEETING MINUTES

Thursday August 3, 2017

Location: Garfield County Rifle Administration Building

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTION

Chair Scott Stewart called the meeting to order at: 6:00 P.M. Secretary Jake Janicek conducted roll call and read the EAB mission statement.

EAB members in attendance:

Kirby Wynn	Garfield County
Marc Morton	Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
Leslie Robinson	Grand Valley Citizens Alliance
Robin Haney	Colorado Mountain College
Brackett Pollard	Holy Cross Cattlemen's Association
Bob Arrington	Battlement Mesa/Battlement Creek
Scott Brynildson	Mamm Creek/Hunter Mesa
Brent Buss	Rifle/North Rifle
Scott Stewart	Roan Creek (Chair)
Tom VonDette	Taughenbaugh Mesa
Don Simpson	Ursa Resources
Rich Grubbs	Chevron
Jake Janicek	Caerus Oil & Gas (Secretary)
Shawn Brennan	Enterprise Products Partners
Lorne Prescott	Laramie Energy
Brian Gardner	Summit Midstream
Pat McCown	Williams Midstream

Invited Guests: Steve Ficklin, BLM

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Leslie Robinson and seconded by Bob Arrington to accept the minutes for June. The minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

NA

OLD BUSINESS

Kirby noted Tee Pee Park Ranch pipeline project USFS EA (Beaver Creek area) that as discussed last meeting is out for protest period. Kirby offered any assistance Tom Vondette may want with accessing the information.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Stuart Ellsworth, P.E., Engineering Manager, COGCC: COGCC Oil and Gas Flowline Inspection Program: Results from directive requiring oil and gas companies to inventory flowlines near buildings in Colorado. Mr. Ellsworth provided a detailed summary of current status and next steps for COGCC response to Firestone incident, including the statewide mandated inspection and testing of flowlines

across Colorado. Presentation slides and video available at: <https://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx>

Extensive Q&A followed the presentation.

COMMUNITY COUNTS AND STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY UPDATES

Don Simpson provided Community Counts activity update and the few concern calls received in last 2 months on behalf of Nita Smith, Executor Director of Community Counts. 24/7 Call line is 866-422-9034

Steve Ficklin, BLM CRVFO provided a summary of oil and gas permitting and project activities year to date. Presentation video available at: <https://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx>

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Marion Wells – Noted her citizen rep and the active operator for her neighborhood are not present again. Citizen participation is important and to be heard. Discussed recent reported spills in the county. Expressed concern about the accuracy of reported magnitude of spills/leaks and that leaks are indicative of an aging infrastructure.

EAB MEMBER UPDATES

Chevron – Rich Grubbs: Maintaining existing facilities at present and do have some workover projects planned for the fall at Skinner Ridge.

Shawn Brennan – Enterprise: Nothing to report.

Rifle/North Rifle – Brent Buss: Nothing to report.

Taugenbaugh Mesa – Tom VonDette: A lot of truck activity on Taugenbaugh Mesa supporting completions activities, other than that nothing to report.

Laramie Energy – Lorne Prescott: Not much Garfield County activity at present other than maintenance and upkeep but may do more later in the year. Spoke to the previous discussion of spills and spill reporting. Noted immediate initial spill report is required prior to a full investigation and required supplemental reports happen within a week with much more data.

COGCC – Marc Morton: Flowline issue follow-up remains a high priority. Participated in a site visit for proposed Ursa BMC A PAD location and public comment period is still open.

Williams Midstream - Pat McCown: Two weeks ago asked Parachute Town Council for a watershed permit to build a new NGL line across Parachute Creek that will allow a smart pig to operate in the line for improved operation and testing.

Roan Creek – Scott Stewart: Black Hills recently completed 2 wells and is pulling equipment out. Had great compliance with operators adhering to a 10mph requested speed limit to minimize dust and traffic issues. No reported issues from neighbors.

Caerus – Jake Janicek: Running one rig now and should stand up another by the end of September. Building a number of pads on Logan Mesa that the two rigs will be moved to. Added a completions crew to the one already running.

Colorado Mountain College – Robin Haney: Nothing to Report

Grand Valley Citizens Alliance – Leslie Robinson: The Grand Valley Citizens Alliance sent in comments for Ursa Phase II applications for the BMC L and F and are working on Pad A and injection well comments.

Ursa Resources – Don Simpson: Discussed mitigation approaches and the need for pad specific mitigations. At the B pad actually removed a sound wall to mitigate noise by eliminated an ‘amphitheater effect’. Battlement Mesa PUD zoning text amendment was approved. Reviewed the 6 county permit applications submitted. GarCo Planning Commission hearing scheduled for 7 p.m. September `13 in Glenwood Springs. 13 BMC B pad wells have been drilled and the remaining 11 wells are being drilled before rig moves back to BMC D pad to drill remaining 14 wells there. Wells on BMC B pad will be completed as the D pad wells are drilled.

Had a recent community meeting in Battlement and have an upcoming meeting with invited COGCC speaker to discuss underground injection control. Reviewed various community involvement and event sponsorships. Encouraged folks to call with any concerns as they have staff living and working in Battlement and response time can be a matter of minutes.

Battlement Mesa/Battlement Creek – Bob Arrington: read from a lengthy written statement that touched on his lunch meeting with Don Simpson and John Doose with Ursa that focused on communications and relations; a light issue on the B&V (since retracted as an erroneous complaint); his view of optimal drilling equipment choice to help Ursa to hit there targets more accurately; Noted BCC has prepared programs to help citizens file complaint that will be register properly. Expressed opinion that low complaint rates may be related to inadequate reporting/registering of them.

Summit Midstream – Brian Gardner: Battlement Pipeline is 99 percent complete. Connected to a new well in Mamm Creek. On July 11 had a leak on a 3” pipeline in Mamm Creek area. Internal corrosion found in a seam. Issue was the seam was not placed on the top side of pipe as it should have been.

Garfield County – Kirby Wynn: Have two EAB vacancies, Dry Hollow and the BMSA Oil & Gas committee. Don Mumma represented the oil & gas committee for many years and his service is appreciated. BMSA should have a new representative in time for September EAB meeting.

June and July calls to office: 5 traffic related, 5 odor complaints in Silt and Parachute areas, 1 noise complaint and about 37 general information calls. Discussed the various organization meetings attended in Battlement area to ensure there is consistent communication to/from the community.

Reviewed other O&G activities in the area. Presentation slides and video may be viewed at: <https://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx>

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

Brent Buss mentioned Western adventure weekend is coming September 22-24 and 3rd street will be closed for concerts and activities. On either side of Railroad Avenue.

Robin Haney mentioned registrations ongoing for fall semester. Encouraged employers to sign up employees for the applied engineering program with a focus on oil and gas.

September 7th is the next EAB meeting.

Scott Stewart adjourned the August 3, 2017, EAB meeting at 8:15 p.m.