GARFIELD COUNTY ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD (EAB) MEETING MINUTES
Thursday December 7th, 2017
Location: Garfield County Rifle Administration Building

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTION
Chair Scott Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Kirby introduced the new EAB members. Secretary Jake Janicek conducted roll call and read the EAB mission statement.

EAB members in attendance:

Kirby Wynn                                        Garfield County
Art Riddile                                          Town of New Castle
Tom Rugaard                                     Town of Parachute
Marc Morton                                        Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
Amy Provstgaard                               Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee
Leslie Robinson                                  Grand Valley Citizens Alliance
Brackett Pollard                                  Holy Cross Cattlemen’s Association
Carole Boughton                                    Colorado Mountain College
Bob Arrington                                      Battlement Mesa/Battlement Creek
Jeff Simonson                                    Divide Creek
Scott Stewart (Chair)                             Roan Creek
Hank Kracht                                     Rulison/ Holmes/ Morrisania Mesa
Tom VonDette                                      Taughenbaugh Mesa
Jason Metcalf                                     Una Bridge/ Wallace Creek/ Spring Creek
Jake Janicek (Secretary)                        Caerus Oil & Gas
Brian Gardner                                      Summit Midstream
John Doose                                        Ursa Resources

Invited Guests: Steve Ficklin, Bureau of Land Management

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES
A motion was made by Jeff Simonson and seconded by Bob Arrington to accept the meeting minutes for the November meeting. The meeting minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS
N/A

OLD BUSINESS
Kirby advised of all the members on the 2018 Officer Nomination Committee and informed they came up with recommendations for the 2018 officer nominations. The recommendations were: Scott Stewart (Chair), Robin Haney (Vice Chair), Brackett Pollard (Secretary). The group accepted the recommendation with no additional nomination suggestions. The election will be conducted at the February 2018 (first meeting of the year per the bylaws).
EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION


Extensive Q&A followed the presentation.

COMMUNITY COUNTS AND STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY UPDATES

Brian Gardner provided Community Counts activity update, current rig count, informational emails update, and the few concern calls received in the last month on behalf of Nita Smith, Executor Director of Community Counts. 24/7 Call line is 866-422-9034

Steve Ficklin, BLM provided update on BLM mineral extraction economic contributions for the fiscal year of 2016, APD approvals, and well spuds since Oct. 1 2017. Advised they have a received two notice of stakings for the Wolf Creek Gas Storage area. Stated the Orphan Well program is now complete and all six orphan wells have been plugged. He gave brief industry, well pad, and rig activity update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

N/A

EAB MEMBER UPDATES

Brian Gardner – Summit Midstream: Normal operations as usual. Stated they have new gas operations in Battlement Mesa and up Beaver Creek within the last month.

Brackett Pollard – Holy Cross Cattlemen’s Association: Nothing new to report.

Tom Vondette – Taughenbaugh Mesa: Area has been extremely busy, two new pads have been built and the Forest Service has issued permits for a pipeline route for the Tee Pee Park Ranch. Stated there has been high truck traffic and what he believes to have been a small, steady spill from an industry truck all the way up the mesa.

Hank Kracht – Rulison/ Holmes/ Morrisania Mesa: Nothing new to report.

Jason Metcalf - Una Bridge/ Wallace Creek/ Spring Creek: There has been light truck traffic. Advised about a month ago, the east end of CR 300 was repaved and widened to help with the truck traffic.

John Doose – URSA Resources: Gave activity update and presentation for all Battlement Mesa operations and listed all Community Outreach activities. Advised of Emergency Complaint numbers and stated they have had a few complaints with the completion operations on the Battlement Mesa B Pad, which have been addressed.

Tom Rugaard – Town of Parachute: Nothing new to report.

Marc Morton- Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission: Stated Dave Andrews spoke on their orphaned and distressed operator program that morning at NW Colorado Oil and Gas Forum. The talk will be posted to the COGCC website in the very near future. Advised of
upcoming commission hearings in Denver on December 11th and 12th that will be available to listen to on-line. Stated they have had a couple of website upgrades to the COGCC website. Gave update on complaints and reminded everyone that they have a public complaint portal on their website: http://cogcc.state.co.us/complaints.html#/complaints, a complaint intake specialist, and a state-wide complaint phone number (1-888-235-1101). Advised well permitting activity has been increasing state wide and informed everyone of up-coming rule making hearings in Denver.

Jake Janicek – Caerus Oil & Gas: Stated they still have 2 rigs operating to the northwest above Parachute. One rig will be moving in a few days to a near-by well pad. Advised they will be adding a third rig to a location up at the end of the West Fork of Parachute Creek. They are finishing up 20 or so reclamation projects, most of them being old EnCana pads, but there are a few Caerus pads as well.

Scott Stewart- Roan Creek: Advised of reclamation taking place on X 1/2 Rd and MIT inspections that Maralex will be doing over by Douglas Pass. Stated BLM had a lease sale this week and he believed most of the leases, with the exception of one, were purchased by Bayless out of Denver.

Carole Boughton - Colorado Mountain College: Stated that Robin gives her regrets that she could not make it, but she will be present for the next meeting. Advised that Colorado Mountain College will be closed from December 22nd to January 2nd, if you need immediate assistance please call Robin’s cell phone.

Art Riddle- Town of New Castle: Nothing new to report.

Leslie Robinson- Grand Valley Citizens Alliance: Advised that members of the Grand Valley Citizens Alliance were involved with the recent Ursa hearings and they have gained party status for the Flow-line rule making hearing in Denver. Also, stated they have been involved with helping write legislation regarding Oil & Gas Regulations in 2018.

Jeff Simonson – Divide Creek: Advised they experienced a rig move on CR 311 in the last month, and stated that he would like to make a point to ask that industry professionals properly train outside companies that are hired to move the rigs, on when to use their Jake brakes and proper hauling procedures.

Amy Provstgaard - Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee: Stated it has been a busy month with all of the county oil and gas permit hearings and advised that they are aware the proposed Ursa A pad injection well was approved by the GarCo Board of County Commissioners. Noted that they were informed of truck traffic concerns and it has been properly addressed. Also, stated that they have had a few rig moves recently.

Bob Arrington – Battlement Mesa/ Battlement Creek: Advised of preparations for the BOCC meeting regarding Ursa’s Injection Well in Battlement Mesa. Stated he believed that the BOCC gave the people of Battlement, besides one, plenty of time to speak and address any issues or concerns they may have had. He also stated that he feels as though it went well, and the message was received that there are a lot of hazards involved in this process, which everyone is now aware of.

Kirby Wynn- Garfield County: Kirby advised that there were a few action items at the last meeting he wanted to review. He informed Scott that he has the updated set of by-laws, ready
for signature. Noted that he was asked to head up the communications for the Education Planning Committee and they can all expect to receive an email soon. Stated that Jake will provide EAB quarterly update to the Garfield County BOCC on Monday December 11th in Silt.

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:** None

Scott Stewart adjourned the December 7, 2017, EAB meeting at 7:52 p.m. Next meeting is February 2.