

GARFIELD COUNTY ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD (EAB) MEETING MINUTES

Thursday February 1st, 2018

Location: Garfield County Rifle Administration Building

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTION

Vice Chair Robin Haney 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
Luis Yllanes	Town of Carbondale
Art Riddile	Town of New Castle
Marc Morton	Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
Leslie Robinson	Grand Valley Citizens Alliance
Brackett Pollard	Holy Cross Cattlemen's Association
Robin Haney	Colorado Mountain College (Vice Chair)
Bob Arrington	Battlement Mesa/Battlement Creek
Howard Orona	Parachute/ Parachute Creek
Jason Metcalf	Una Bridge/ Wallace Creek/ Spring Creek
Jake Janicek	Caerus Oil & Gas (Secretary)
Brian Gardner	Summit Midstream
Don Simpson	Ursa Resources
Patrick McCown	Williams Midstream

Invited Guests: Steve Ficklin, Bureau of Land Management

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Leslie Robinson and seconded by Bob Arrington to accept the meeting minutes for the December 2017 meeting. The meeting minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Robin Haney advised that the first order of business is to elect the new officers for 2018. Nomination approved in Decemembr were: Scott Stewart to remain as chairman, Robin Haney to remain as Vice Chair, and Brackett Pollard to take over Secretarial duties. As no new nominations were proposed, a motion was made by Brian Gardner and seconded by Bob Arrington to approve the new slate of officers for 2018. The slate was approved unianimously. Robin stated that Scott Stewart was absent tonight because he had the flu.

OLD BUSINESS

N/A

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION(S)

Dr. Arsineh Hecobian, Research Scientist, Dept. of Atmospheric Science, CSU: Hydrocarbon Emission Rates from Colorado's Oil & Gas Operations with Emphasis on Garfield County: The educational presentation video and PowerPoint may be viewed at <https://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx>

Extensive Q&A followed the presentation

Morgan Hill, Environmental Health Specialist, Garfield County: Update on Garfield County Air Quality Monitoring within the Battlement Mesa PUD: The educational presentation video and PowerPoint may be viewed at <https://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx>

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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 brief update on the plugging of orphan wells on federal lands. Advised the Balzac Gulch Phase II Master Development Plan is now up for comment, all comments need to be received by February 8th. He also gave brief industry, well pad, and rig activity update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Marion Wells stated that she is concerned with how far the lights shine up the Roan Plateau from TEP's Rulison Pad. Advised that there was an article in *Nature* magazine about how industrial/ city lights effect not only night animals, but pollinators as well, such as bees and that in areas where there is light pollution, there could be a loss of up to 20% of fruit crops. She also expressed concern about additional environmental impacts of the Jordan Cove proposal.

EAB MEMBER UPDATES

Brian Gardner – Summit Midstream: Normal operations as usual. He advised they re-worked pipe up Cache Creek, re-located a meter on Grass Mesa, and replaced a meter on Mamm Creek.

Don Simpson – URSA Resources: Advised there is no new drilling operations scheduled for the near future and completions on the Battlement Mesa BMC B Pad will be finished by the end of February. They will then move over to the Battlement Mesa BMC D Pad to complete operations.

Jake Janicek – Caerus Oil & Gas: Stated two weeks ago they added a third rig up the West Fork of Parachute Creek. There are still 2 active rigs on Logan Mesa and they are looking to add a 4th rig next month up above Parachute Creek on the Roan Plateau. A completion job will be starting in about two weeks up on Logan Mesa.

Pat McCown – Williams Midstream: On Jan. 26th at approximately 8:30 pm they had an unauthorized individual enter their control building at the Una Compressor Station, individual was detained by the Garfield County Sheriff's office and there was no harm done to the facility.

Jason Metcalf - Una Bridge/ Wallace Creek/ Spring Creek: Nothing new to report besides the trespasser at the Una Bridge Compressor Station which Pat McCown already spoke about. Light truck traffic in the area.

Howard Orona – Parachute/ Parachute Creek: Nothing new to report.

Bob Arrington - Battlement Mesa/Battlement Creek: Advised that last month the Battlement Mesa Service Association re-elected their officers to another term and welcomed a new delegate to the Board. Stated that they activated their 501-C4 to accept Ursa \$1,000,000 contribution which will be split into 4 separate payments. Bob's alternate EAB rep Dave Devanney gave an update on the COGCC

hearing he attended in Denver. Advised that his purpose there was to speak about the proposed BMC A Pad and ask that there be a hearing for the variance application Ursa has requested regarding the proximity of the well pad to certain residences.

Leslie Robinson – Grand Valley Citizen’s Alliance: Members have been participating in legislative process and rule-making in Denver and they will continue to be very active. Advised that she will keep an updated list of what Bills will be addressed on the Grand Valley Citizen’s Alliance Facebook page.

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

Art Riddile- Town of New Castle: Nothing new to report. Stated that he would like to thank Dr. Arsineh Hecobian and Morgan Hill for their presentations which he found to be very informative.

Luis Yllanes – Town of Carbondale: Stated they are continuing to work with Garfield Clean Energy with improvements and upgrades to the town’s facilities and with Core and Apposable Zero Energy District within the town. The Utilities dept. is working on a micro hydro-electric project up Nettle Creek and they recently made a solar purchase which now puts the town facilities at 50% energy from renewables. Wanted to make sure that everyone knows Carbondale now has the most vehicle charging stations in the Roaring Fork Valley. Stated he feels that the recent changes in the public comment process for COGCC meetings is making it harder for people to voice their concerns. Advised that his town supports the concerns of Battlement Mesa about setback rules.

Marc Morton- Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission: Summarized the updated COGCC hearing public comment policy change to allow people to sign-up on line and thanked Luis Yllanes for his input regarding the new policy change. Stated they are looking at process improvement changes to make their Form 2A (location permit) and Form 2 (well permit) permitting processes more streamlined and run smoother. Gave activity update on their On-line Daily Activity Dashboard and current Flowline Rule Making. Advised he has prepared the 2018 training calendar for the Local Government Designee’s that may be viewed on the COGCC website.

Robin Haney - Colorado Mountain College: Nothing to report.

Kirby Wynn- Garfield County: Advised the Balzac Gulch Phase II Master Development Plan is now up for public comment. The Garfield County Commissioners will look at the proposal on Monday and decide what comments they would like to submit.

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

Robin Haney adjourned the February 1, 2018, EAB meeting at 8:00pm.