

Roane County Environmental Review Board
 Meeting Minutes: September 3, 2015

Attendance, Board Members (and prospective members)

Present	Absent	
x		*Tom Brown, General Member
	x	*Carolyn Granger, County Commission Representative
x		*Scott Gregory, Recorder
x		*Mary Anne Koltowich, Interim Vice-Chairperson
x		*David Martin; Interim Chairperson
	x	*David Reichle, General Member
x		Colton Rue, Prospective Student Member
x		Scott Stout, County Executive's Office Representative
	x	*Allen Townsend, General Member
	x	David Wasilko, Student Member Applicant
x		*Dennis Wilson, General Member

*Voting Member

Quorum Present: Yes (5/8)

Other Attendees

- Suzanne Allred, Public Guest
- Everett Bloom, Public Guest
- Darlena Brooksbank, Public Guest
- Pat Bloom, Public Guest
- Mike Hooks, Roane County Commissioner, District 5
- John LeCroy, Guest, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
- Sherryl Pesterfield, Public Guest
- Kathy Poore (last name uncertain from sign in sheet), Public Guest
- Stefanie Rich, Public Guest
- Dan Stitt, Public Guest
- Albert Tate, Public Guest
- Linda Tate, Public Guest
- John Woody, Public Guest
- One Additional Public Guest (name indecipherable on sign in sheet)

Meeting Location

Roane County Courthouse

Proceedings

Call to Order. The Chairperson called the meeting to order and asked board members and public guests to introduce themselves. A vote on approval of the August meeting minutes was held; it was approved (5/5) with minor changes that were presented. The meeting agenda was approved (5/5).

Public Comment Period. During the public comment period, alleged environmental impacts associated with the Tiger Haven facility were discussed. John LeCroy (TDEC) was present to hear the public's comments and was introduced. During the comment period, several county citizens who reside in close proximity to the facility spoke on the matter, as did Commissioner Hooks. Mr. Everett Bloom and Ms. Darlena Brooksbank presented visual materials and spoke. The location of the Tiger Haven facility was identified on a topographic map, parcel map, and a satellite photograph. Much of the discussion focused on stormwater runoff from the facility, particularly impacts to a spring-fed pond on the Pesterfield property that is located across the road from Tiger Haven. The family and other community residents perceive significant deterioration of the pond following the development of Tiger Haven. Changes to the pond are alleged to include increased turbidity, increased algal growth, increased bacterial counts, impacts to the fish community (e.g., fish ulcers) and overall reduced aesthetic appeal. The family is afraid to consume fish from the pond or contact the water. Impacts (increased sediment, flood levels, and bacteria) to Wolf Creek are also alleged, and photographs of the creek taken downstream of Tiger Haven that show high water levels and turbid conditions following rainfall were presented. Some residents noted a worsening of conditions in Wolf Creek following a portion of the Tiger Haven property being clear cut. Residents have had fecal coliform tests performed on impacted waters and report results as high as 16,000 (units assumed to be colony forming units / 100 ml), although documentation of those results were not presented at the meeting and results were not provided for appropriate reference streams. Another water quality concern voiced by nearby residents is that a septic tank on the property was allegedly installed 20 feet from a creek, at an elevation near that of the creek itself; it was alleged that the County refused to issue a permit for the tank but the facility got certification from the State. It is also alleged that part of the tank's drain field is in the state road right-of-way. Nearby residents also report noise pollution (unwelcome animal noises).

Board Business.

- Kingston Fly Ash Storage. This remains an active issue for the Board, and Interim Chairperson Martin stated that he will continue to follow it.
- ETTP Zone 1 Soil Remediation. It was decided that discussion on this topic would be postponed until the October meeting.
- Meeting on Proposed Changes to Hazardous Waste Management Rules (0400-12-01). Interim Chairperson Martin plans to attend the video conference of the

meeting to be held on September 8th at the TDEC Knoxville Environmental Field Office and will take Member Brown's comments with him to the meeting. Interim Vice-Chairperson Koltowich commented that she had learned that the County Solid Waste Department is engaged on this topic – they have been working with TDEC on this for approximately the past year.

- Student Members update. Interim Chairperson Martin asked prospective student member Colton Rue for a resume or Bio for use in presenting him for board membership.
- Nominations for Board Officers. Interim Chairperson Martin pointed out that a nomination committee for board officers is needed and that RCERB bylaws do not allow current board officers to be on the committee. It was decided that the committee would be composed of Members Brown and Wilson.
- Adjournment of Business Meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Documents Received:

- Proposed Changes to Hazardous Waste Management Rules (received ~ August 10, 2015).

Attachment

RCERB September 3, 2015 Meeting Agenda

**Agenda for September 3, 2015
Roane County Environmental Review Board
Roane County Court House**

6:00 PM - Call to Order and Chair's comments

The next meeting will be on October 1, 2015 at the Roane County Court House. This will be the annual business meeting to elect Board officers and to plan the agenda for FY2016.

Tonight there will be no presentation in order to have more time for public comments.

6:02 PM - Around the room introductions

6:04 PM - Changes to and approval of the agenda

6:05 PM – Approve/changes August Minutes

6:10PM Public Comment Period

Extra time is being allotted to allow comments from the community. There will not be any rigid time limits in place. The Board asks that speakers use their time well and be considerate of others that wish to speak. Please make your point once then move on.

7:00PM Board Business

- Comments on 6/9/2015 TDEC/TVA meeting on the proposed ash storage facility at the Kingston Power Station. Final Letter with comments was sent out. Will keep this active till the final decision is issued.
- Reply from DOE-EM on Board's comments on Zone 1 soil remediation. This is to be discussed at the October meeting. DCM
- Upcoming TDEC meeting on hearing on proposed changes to the Hazardous Waste Management rules, 0400-12-01 to be held Tuesday September 8th at 9AM CDT. Will the Solid Waste Group be replying to this?
- Nominations for FY 2015 Board Officers.
- David Wasilko Joining the Board.

Incoming Documents:

None noted.

Recap of RCERB Meetings

August 2015 Quorum, (8/8) (RSI) Solar Energy Projects, Gil Hough

July 2015 No meeting by agreement

June 4, 2015 Quorum TVA exit meeting on ash spill at Kingston Plant

May 7, 2015 Quorum (6/8) Soil remediation, Zone 1 ETPP

April 2, 2015 Quorum (5/7) County environmental ordinances

March 19, 2015 Quorum (6/7) Presentation on ground water leaving the DOE OR Reservation by Bill McMilan, OR DOE-EM

February 5, 2015 Quorum (5/7) Discussion with R Woody on Board issues.

January 15, 2015 Quorum (5/7) TVA ash landfill. Bob Deacy with Tva addressed the Board

November 20, 2014 Quorum (5/7 members) Outdoor lighting code, 2015 planning

October 9, 2014 Quorum (6/7 members) Permit modification for TVA KIF coal ash/ gypsum landfill

September 11, 2014 Quorum (6/7 members). Combined meeting with Solid Waste Advisory Board.

August 2014

July 5, 2012 Cancelled due to Holiday

August 13, 2012 Quorum (4/5 members), short meeting prior to Commissioners Meeting

September 6, 2012 Quorum (3/5 members)

October 4, 2012 No Quorum (3/6 members)

November 8, 2012 Quorum (4/6 members), short meeting after TVA/EPA EE/CA Public Meeting

December 6, 2012 Quorum (5/6 members)

January 4, 2013 Quorum (7/7 members)

February 7, 2013 Quorum (5/7 members)

March 7, 2013 Quorum (5/7 members)

April 4, 2013 No Quorum (3/7 members)

May 2, 2013 No Quorum (2/7 members)

June 6, 2013 Quorum (5/7 members)

July 11, 2013 Quorum (5/6 members)