

**Roane County Environmental Review Board (RCERB)
October 3, 2013 Meeting Minutes (Approved December 5, 2013)**

Members Present:

Mary Anne Koltowich, Chair
David Martin
Allen Townsend (New RCERB Member)
Carolyn Grainger (County Commissioner)
R.L. Pope, Recording
Scott Stout, County Executive's Designated Representative
John Hixson (Student Member)

Special Guests: Program Presentation – Bob Greenwell, CROET, Strategic Plans for the Utilization of the Heritage and Horizon Centers

Agenda: Attached

Public Comments: None

Proceedings:

- 1) Agenda - Approved as presented
- 2) Koltowich reported on the appreciation expressed for retiring RCERB members at the last County Commission meeting
- 3) Bob Greenwell presented a summary of the landscaping successes for areas near the Horizon Center as the lands are turned over to CROET from DOE. He noted that the effort is to return the undeveloped and recovered areas to indigenous meadow. The primary driver for the effort is reduced maintenance costs while improving the marketability of the properties. Another major influence was the availability of expertise and advantages from the Tennessee Biofuels initiative. Greenways and walking trails are included in the project. Two hundred species of birds have been identified on the property as an indication of success.
- 4) August 1, 2013 RCERB minutes approved as presented
- 5) Appeal to members for permanent recorder. No Volunteers
- 6) Welcome to new member Allen Townsend
- 7) Koltowich reported on the Energy Communities Alliance Peer Exchange Oak Ridge September 18-19, 2013
- 8) TVA Emory River Ash Spill -The new lawsuit is based on worker safety/health concerns.
- 9) UT Fracking Study – UT announced that it would not continue the proposed fracking study
- 10) Public Meeting October 22, 2013, Knoxville, TN – Session I and hearing, the Board to receive testimony from NNSA/contractor concerning safety-related risks associated with continued operation of aging defense nuclear facilities at the Y-12 National Security Complex. Martin noted that he planned to attend. Koltowich committed to distribute information.

- 11) ORNL – Mercury Cleanup: Discussion of potential for DOE to defund proposed water treatment plant for mercury removal as a result of federal budget reductions.
- 12) Koltowich - noted progress is being made in providing schools with cash proceeds from recycling efforts, with the possibility of granting participating schools with \$100/load of recycled materials.
- 13) TDEC to revisit bond requirements for industries that operate TSDFs and conduct other hazardous material activities
- 14) Koltowich reported that she would not be available to chair the November meeting of RCERB: Motion made, seconded and passed to cancel the November RCERB meeting.
- 15) Adjourned

Attachment: RCERB Agenda October 3, 2013

Meeting Agenda for October 3, 2013; 6:00 P.M.
Roane County Environmental Review Board
Roane County Court House

- 6:00 Call to Order
- 6:01 Approval of Agenda
- 6:05 Public Comment Time
- 6:10 Approval of August 1, 2013 meeting minutes (notes only from September 5, 2013)
- 6:12 RCERB Recorder – Request for volunteer
- 6:15 Program: Bob Greenwell, CROET, Strategic Plans for the Utilization of the Heritage and Horizon Centers
- 7:00 RCERB Members – Recruitment of New Members (1 position vacant)
- 7:05 Roundtable Discussions – (as needed)
- A) Energy Communities Alliance Peer Exchange Oak Ridge September 18-19, 2013
 - B) TVA Emory River Ash Spill – New lawsuit on safety/health concerns
 - C) UT Fracking Study
 - D) Public Meeting October 22, 2013, Knoxville, TN – Session I and hearing, the Board to receive testimony from NNSA/contractor concerning safety-related risks associated with continued operation of aging defense nuclear facilities at the Y-12 National Security Complex.
 - E) ORNL – Mercury Cleanup
 - F) Open Discussion
- 7:25 Upcoming Meetings:
- November 2013 Proposed – DOE/TVA Small Modular Reactor Project
 - December 2013 – NRC Watts Bar Unit 2 Tour
 - January 2014 – DOE/TVA Small Modular Reactor Project
- 7:30 Adjourn

NOTE: Recap of RCERB Meetings

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 (5/6 members)
April 4, 2013 No Quorum (3/6 members)
May 2, 2013 No Quorum (2/6 members)
June 6, 2013 Quorum (5/6 members)
July 11, 2013 Quorum (5/6 members)
August 1, 2013 Quorum (5/5 members)
September 5, 2013 No Quorum (2/5 members)