

Roane County Environmental Review Board (RCERB)
 Meeting Minutes: May 16, 2017

Attendance, Board Members (and prospective members)

Present	Absent
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- *Martha Deaderick, General Member
- *Carolyn Granger, County Commission Representative
- *Scott Gregory, Chairperson
- *Dr. Timothy Joseph, General Member
- *Mary Anne Koltowich, Vice Chairperson
- *Janice Moody; Recorder
- *David Reichle, General Member
- Scott Stout, County Executive’s Office Representative
- David Wasilko, Student Member

*Voting Member

Quorum Present: Yes

Other Attendees None

Meeting Location: Roane County Courthouse, 1st Floor Conference Room

Proceedings

Call to Order. Chairperson Scott Gregory called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

Introductions and Opening Remarks

- The next meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2017 at the Roane County Court House

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made to approve the May 16, 2017 agenda by MAKoltowich and 2nd by JMoody. Vote to approve unanimous

Changes To and Approval of the April 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes: A motion was made to approve the April 6, 2017 working session minutes by MDeaderick and 2nd by MAKoltowich. Vote to approve unanimous.

Presentation – There was no presentation at this meeting

Public Comment

Board Business

- Passage of Roane County Commission Resolution #04-17-02, Honoring the Achievements of David Reichle; Up-coming presentation at the June 12th County Commission meeting (7PM)
 - SGregory thanked DReichle for his 28 years of service on the RCERB, and all DReichle has done for Roane County.
- Update on new RCERB member: Dr. Timothy Joseph
 - SGregory said it was official now that Dr. Timothy Joseph is the new RCERB member through July 2020.
- Parking of railroad tank cars at ETTP
 - SGregory said he noticed in the May 8, 2017 Roane County Commissioner's meeting agenda there was a letter to the Federal Railroad Administration regarding Rail Cars and Heritage Center.
 - JMoody said she would ask Ron Woody's office for a copy of the letter.
 - SStout said the cars are still there, and the cars appear to be moving in and out.
 - SGregory said he saw an email that SStout had sent in the last six weeks regarding the chemicals content stored in these cars.
 - SStout said the chemicals that are marked on the cars are: Potassium hydroxide, Hydrochloric acid, and/or Sodium hydroxide.
- Update on prospects for ETTP Airport
 - MDeadrick asked if there was any news on the airport. SStout said he has not heard of any updates on the airport.
- Black Oak Ridge Conservation Blueways
 - SStout said the Greenway has been there for a little while, and the Blueway is getting developed; and it is in the middle of ETTP.
 - SStout said there may be some issues; e.g., drainage pipe sticking out, rusty drainage pipes, and perhaps mercury. SStout stated it might be an environmental issue.
 - TJoseph said ORNL should be able to address these issues because ORNL does the monitoring for DOE.
 - SStout said the Horizon Industrial Park that has a potential to grow; however it appears there is not enough capacity for electricity to bring in more industry.
 - SStout said the Greenway does not want powerlines going through the Greenway.
 - SStout said the Greenway and Blueways will provide a great place for hiking, biking, etc., but there needs to be a balance for recreation use and industrial growth.

- DReichle said SStout should reach out to Tennessee Citizen for Wilderness Planning and Advocates for the Oak Ridge Reservation (AFORR) for advice on environmental issues.
 - DReichle said the largest Sycamore tree in Tennessee is located in the Horizon Industrial Park.
 - TJoseph asked if the RCERB gets a copy of the Oak Ridge Reservation Annual Site Environmental Report (ASER). TJoseph stated the summary would be a valuable information source.
- Environmental Baseline Survey Reports for the Proposed Title Transfer of the Former K-31 and K-33 Areas at ETTP
 - MAKoltowich said Tom Brown spent a lot of time looking at these reports.
 - MAKoltowich said Tom Brown recommend the Roane County hire an environmental consulting firm to produce these documents that Wade Creswell's letter requested.
 - MAKoltowich said Tom Brown said the land restriction states that you cannot dig deeper than 10 feet. MAKoltowich stated that Tom Brown recommended DOE needs to specify depths by ground elevation – not feet.
 - SGregory said this was beyond RCERB's scope/mission.
 - SGregory said Tom Brown was concerned about Roane County's liability.
 - SGregory said one reason he thinks an expert environmental consulting firm should produce these documents is because there are standards and requirements that must be followed in doing an environmental assessment on brown field properties.
 - SGregory said he would draft a letter to respond to Wade Creswell with RCERB recommendation that an environmental consulting firm should produce these documents. An environmental consulting company such as Amec Foster Wheeler in Knoxville might be a good choice to produce these documents.
- Spread of invasive aquatic plants in Watts Bar Reservoir
 - TJoseph said the Watts Bar Ecology and Fishery Council (WBEFC) had their 4th meeting last night (May 15); and it was an extremely valuable and productive meeting.
 - TJoseph said we "filled in" all the chairmen positions for the workgroups. TJoseph stated WBEFC got volunteers for almost every work group.

- TJoseph said we have a lot of activities going on in the workgroups, and the WBEFC website is under development.
- JMoody said WBEFC has a treasurer, and the treasurer is working on getting WBEFC a 501(c)(3) Tax-Exempt Status.
- TJoseph said he is the acting chairman, and WBEFC needs a vice chairman.
- MAKoltowich said at the Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation (TDEC) conference in Kingsport that she attended on March 18, 2017, TDEC stated they were sampling Tennessee waterways for the cyanobacteria.
 - MAKoltowich stated TDEC knows the cyanobacteria is not in Tennessee at this time.
- SGregory asked if a peer review literature/articles on fisheries in lakes that have been heavily impacted with non-native invasive aquatic plants/weeds.
 - TJoseph said he was working on that for his technical presentations that will be given to WBEFC, and public outreach.
 - SGregory said he hopes WBEFC can reach a consensus that no one wants Hydrilla, and develop a management plan to control the spread of Hydrilla.
- Roane County Lighting Ordinance
 - SGregory has asked Glenn Cofer if he can come to the June 2017 meeting.
- Tiger Haven. (No updates available/ no new communication from TDEC; continue to track)

Incoming Documents:

- None
- **Next RCERB Meeting:** MAKoltowich to contact MTownsend in the Roane County Executive's office as to scheduling Thursday, June 1, 2017, 6:00 pm, as our next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:34 pm.

Attachments and Enclosures:

Roane County Environmental Review Board (RCERB) Review of DOE ETTP Documents

**Agenda for the Tuesday, May 16, 2017 Meeting of the
Roane County Environmental Review Board
Roane County Court House/ First Floor Conference Room**

6:00 PM - Call to Order

Introductions and Opening Remarks

- The next meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2017 at the Roane County Court House.

Changes To and Approval of Agenda

Changes To and Approval of the April 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Presentation – There will be no presentation at this meeting

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7:30 PM Adjourn

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Recap of RCERB Meetings

April 4, 2017; Quorum (5/6); Routine board business --- no presentation was made

March 2, 2017; Quorum (4/6); Routine board business --- no presentation was made

February 27, 2017; Quorum (5/6); Special meeting on invasive aquatic plants in Watts Bar Reservoir

February 2, 2017; Quorum (5/6); Routine board business --- no presentation was made

December 1, 2016; Quorum (5/7); Routine board business --- no presentation was made

November 3, 2016; Quorum (6/7); D. Adler, S. Haas, & D. Mayton, DOE's Groundwater Monitoring Strategy

October 6, 2016; No quorum (3/7); Glen Cofer, Roane County Lighting Ordinance

September 8, 2016; Quorum (6/7); No presentation was made.

August 18, 2016; Quorum (6/7); Wendy Cain, Portfolio Federal Project Director, DOE OREM; Status of Buildings at ETPP

July 2016; No meeting (scheduled break)

June 2, 2016; Quorum (5/8); Pat Halsey, OREM DOE; Deidre Tharp, RSI; Oak Ridge Environmental Information System (OREIS)

May 5, 2016; Quorum (5/7); Sue Cange, DOE-EM Manager