

**ALLEGHENY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
BUILDING #7 – CONFERENCE ROOM  
December 12, 2022 - 5:30 PM**

**Committee Members Present**

Dan Bricmont, (Chair), Bricmont Law  
Chip Babst, Babst, Calland (Vice Chair) (TEAMS)  
Sara Marie Baldi, Salvation Army  
Jeanne Clark, ALCOSAN  
Steven Hvozdovich, Clean Water Action  
Mark Jeffrey, US Steel  
John Palmiere, Allegheny County Council (TEAMS)  
Robert Orchowski, Hillcrest Group  
Anna Siefken, US Dept of Energy (TEAMS)

**Participants Present**

Marcus Adams, Mayor East PGH (TEAMS)  
Lee Ann Briggs, SBAC/EMAP  
Patrick Campbell, GASP (TEAMS)  
Coleen M Davis, US Steel  
Amanda Gillooly, GASP (TEAMS)  
Christopher Harden, USS (TEAMS)  
Stephen Hepler, DEP (TEAMS)  
Brian Joos, Citizen (TEAMS)  
Ned Mulcahy, GASP (TEAMS)  
Justin Vellucci, Trib Review (TEAMS)  
Carol Wivell, Citizen (TEAMS)  
Tishie Woodwell, USS (TEAMS)  
Collette, Resident from Braddock (TEAMS)

**Committee Members Not Present**

Anna Batista, High Street Consulting  
Mary Ann Bucci, Port Commission  
Michael Corcoran, PPG  
Courtney Maronich Vita, Friends of the Riverfront

**ACHD Staff Present**

Sandy Fischer, ACHD (TEAMS)  
Tom Lattner, ACHD  
Jason Maranche, ACHD  
Karen M Sagel, ACHD  
Wesley Speary, ACHD

**1. Welcome and Call to Order**

Chair Bricmont called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

A quorum was present. All in attendance made their introduction.

**2. Chair's Remarks – No remarks**

**3. Approval of Minutes:**

**October 3, 2022, meeting:**

**Action:** Ms. Baldi moved to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2022, meeting and Mr. Orchowski seconded the motion. The committee approved the motion unanimously. Ms. Clark abstained as she did not attend that meeting.

**November 1, 2022, meeting:**

**Action:** Mr. Hvozdovich moved to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2022, meeting and Mr. Babst seconded the motion. The committee approved the motion unanimously. Ms. Clark and Mr. Orchowski abstained as they did not attend that meeting

#### 4. Sub Committee Reports:

**Criteria Pollutant/Air Monitoring Subcommittee** - Ms. M Davi – reported that the subcommittee did not meet recently. The next Meeting February 7th, time to be determined.

**Pollution Prevention and Education Subcommittee** - Mr. Jeffery reported that the subcommittee did not meet recently. The next Meeting in 2023 will be announced at a later time.

**Regulation Subcommittee** - Mr. Orchowski presented a review of the regulations in progress and summarized the discussion of the November 15, 2022 meeting. The next Meeting in 2023 will be announced at a later time.

#### 5. **Deputy Director Update – Assistant Solicitor Wesley Speary** speaking on behalf of Deputy Director Geoff Rabinowitz

**A. Meeting Recording:** The meetings will now be recorded. How they will be recorded, saved, and shared, will be discussed in the upcoming weeks.

**B. Meeting Minutes:** The minutes will be done in a style similar to Robert's Rules.

**C. Subcommittee and Other Meetings:** Dr. Rabinowitz wanted to discuss this himself so it will be postponed for a future meeting.

#### 6. **Action Item: “Clean Air Fund” Regulations** – Wesley Speary – Recommendation to the Board of Health, Public Comment for changes to Article XXI – The committee discussed the potential revisions to Article XXI and agreed to confer with Deputy Director Rabinowitz.

**Action:** Mr. Orchowski moved to approve recommending the changes to Article XXI to the Board of Health for public comment, Councilmember Palmiere seconded the motion. The committee unanimously rejected the motion.

#### 7. **Program Updates** – Jason Maranche, Air Quality Program Manager for Planning and Data Analysis, gave a review of the personnel changes in the program, an update of grant requests, and what the program will be working on in the future.

## 8. Other Business -

**Action:** Councilmember Palmiere moved to allow additional discussion addressing the concerns raised during the discussion of the changes to Article XXI, specifically for the 2023 budget by next meeting, seconded by Mr. Jeffery.

The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion.

**Action:** Mr. Jeffery moved to create an ad hoc committee to consider the revision of procedures for the Air Advisory Committee. Mr. Orchowski seconded the motion.

The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion.

Mr. Jeffery will be chair, Mr. Hvozdoich volunteered to assist, Ms. Clark will be available to consult. Chair Bricmont will appoint a third person.

**Action:** Mr. Jeffery moved to adopt the dates for the Air Advisory Committee meetings for 2023 and Ms. Clark seconded the motion.

The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion.

### **Public Comments:**

Carol Wivell – Asked what the extenuating circumstances were that cancelled the Pollution Prevention meeting.

Coleen Davis – For the line item of any penalties, would that calculation of the penalties be made available for review to the party involved and the public?

Lee Ann Briggs – Is it a flat \$500.00 fee for the compliance assessment?

Brian Joos – Spoke about the Clean Air Fund and overall air quality budget.

Coleen Davis – Is there a timeline for completing the budget evaluation?

Ned Mulcahy – Commented on the historic 5% of the Clean Air Fund that could be used for program operations and different projects that utilized Clean Air Fund funding. Also, a comment was made on the overall Departmental/program funding limitations.

Stephen Hepler – The DEP is interested in working with the Department to establish an Air Monitoring Network.

Lee Ann Briggs – requested an update on the Regulated Entities Portal

**9. Adjournment and the Date of Next Meeting**

**Action:** Chair Bricmont moved to adjourn, and all attending members seconded the motion. The committee approved it unanimously. The meeting concluded at 7:08 PM. The next meeting will be February 13, 2023 at 5:30PM.