

May Meeting Summary

The May Hood County Clean Air Coalition meeting was held on May 5, 2015 at the American Town Hall, 220 North Travis Street Granbury, Texas. There were ten in attendance including five Board Members – Dave Porcher, Mayor Bob Cornett, Mayor Nin Hulett, Mark Franco, and Mayor Terry Johnson. The five Board Members represent a quorum for voting purposes. Other participants included Chris Coffman- City Manager for the City of Granbury, Alvin Scott – City of Granbury, Dr. Jim Largent- Granbury ISD, Chris Klaus of North Central Texas Council of Governments, and Michelle McKenzie- Hood County Clean Air Coalition.

1.) The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Dave Porcher, at 8:35 am. It was noted that a quorum was present. Mayor Nin Hulett introduced Chris Coffman, the new Granbury City Manager. Michelle McKenzie provided a brief summary of activities of the Hood County Clean Air Coalition and the Rider 8 Grant Program.

2.) Local Updates were discussed by Michelle McKenzie

a.) Meeting began with a review of projects.

i.) Status of Projects

(1.) The first project discussed was the proposed promotion for the Air Quality that was proposed at the last meeting by Chairman Dave Porcher. This item was discussed in Executive Session. Minutes taken by Mayor Bob Cornett state that the Executive Session began at 8:40 am on May 5, 2015 to discuss salary for Michelle McKenzie, Program Manager. Executive Session ended at 8:45 am. When the full meeting resumed it was stated that no action had been taken in the Executive Session. Mayor Nin Hulett made a motion in support of the promotion/ salary increase of the Program Manager from \$36,200 to \$37,286 annually. Motion was seconded by Mayor Bob Cornett. The vote was five ayes and no nays and motion passed. The five Board Members signed a statement of approval.

(2.) The bike equipment project was the next to be discussed. Alvin Scott is the Purchasing Agent for the City of Granbury and has been assisting with getting bids for the bicycles and the storage building for the bicycles. Mr. Scott is still trying to get confirmation on a location for the building. The preferred site is the Veterans' Museum location which is along the Hike and Bike Trail. It was decided to wait on ordering bicycles until a location is determined for the storage. This project is included in the tasks to be extended with the TCEQ Contract extension. Mr. Scott also noted that the budgeted amount would likely be used fully for the storage building and the bikes.

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(3.) The propane refueling stations were next to be discussed. Mr. Scott advised that he has received three quotes – two that were very close and one that was quite a bit less. He is reviewing the third quote with the vendor to verify all costs are included. He is also still waiting on a quote for the fuel tracking system. Dr. Largent of the Granbury ISD stated that the school district has decided on a location.

Once the City recommends a vendor then we can move forward with estimate on second location as well. Mr. Scott thought the budget for the stations would cover the costs – especially with the requested budget increase associated with the Contract Extension.

(4.) Lawn mower program discussion was next. There were four applications for the lawn mower exchange program as of April 25th, but one applicant cancelled when the original larger mower was no longer available at the local Lowes store. Two applications were from Board Members. Dave Porcher will be donating a mower to a disabled veteran. Mayor Nin Hulett will provide feedback on the mower he is purchasing. It was suggested to include the flyer produced in local utility bills to try to reach more people. Alvin Scott also requested the flyer and application be sent to him.

ii.) Monthly Budget Review for March is the second page of the agenda. Expenses for March were from technical work projects, salary and fringe, supplies, the website, and rent/ utilities. Motion made to approve the March Budget Review by Mark Franco and seconded by Mayor Bob Cornett. Vote was five ayes and no nays – motion is passed.

b.) The Rider 8 Contract Extension budget was discussed. This was the third page of the agenda packet. A total of \$31,900 was transferred between projects. Extra funds will be put towards the bike, propane, and administrative costs. The revised PGA including the revised budget will be sent to TCEQ as soon as possible. Motion made by Mark Franco to approve the Contract Extension budget revisions and seconded by Mayor Terry Johnson. The vote was fives ayes and no nays – motion is passed.

c.) Review of April Meeting Summaries

i.) Review of April Meeting Summary- The April meeting began with EPA Updates from Carrie Paige including update on the PM 2.5 Standard, Final Rule for Implementation Rule of the 2008 Ozone Std revoking the 97 standard went into effect on April 6th, designations for SO₂ to be complete beginning July 2016 – probably not impacting Texas. Regional updates included mention of the Implementation Rule for the 2008 ozone standard, April is National Car Care Month, Clean Air Action Day is June 26, and air quality funding opportunities for vehicles. Local updates included review of the March meeting, comment for the EPA proposed rule for ozone was submitted, Charter amendments and discussion of Certificate of Formation, Earth Day event discussion, reports for conference calls and ozone, discussion of Rider 8 Contract extension, February monthly budget review, review of status of projects and a review of tasks for FY 16/17 PGA. A motion to approve the April Meeting Summary was made by Mayor Bob

Cornett and seconded by Mark Franco. Vote was five ayes and no nays – motion is passed.

ii) Review of Board Member Meeting with Attorney Summary- This meeting was held April 16th to discuss the Certificate of Formation for the Coalition. Meeting was at Steve Reid's office and included discussion of "membership" and "at large" member terms. A motion to approve the Board Member meeting summary was made by Mayor Terry Johnson and seconded by Mayor Bob Cornett. The vote was 5 ayes and no nays – motion is passed.

d.) Certificate of Formation status. I sent notification to Steve Reid's office on Wednesday that all Board Members approved of the final document and they had permission to file the document.

e.) Reports:

i.) The Central States Air Resources Agency (CenSARA) conference call was held April 23, 2015 at 10 am. The meeting began with introductions. Participants included Central Louisiana, SE Missouri Regional Planning Commission, Missouri DNR, City of Omaha, Oklahoma DEQ, CAMPO, Travis County, Northeast Texas, Hood County Clean Air Coalition, CAPCOG, EPA representative and NCTCOG. There were two presentations about the EPA SmartWay program.

The first presentation was by Patrice Thornton of EPA. She described what a SmartWay affiliate is and the how the program helps shippers and carriers improve supply chain efficiency through lower emissions, lower costs, and an enhanced image. The program began in 2004 with the trucking industry. Steps in the SmartWay program are to measure efficiency using a tool provided to partners, compare results of measurement to peers in benchmark performance, report results that are not shared, and look for ways to innovate operations. Efficiency has improved since 2004 with a savings of 60 million metric tons of CO₂, 738,000 tons of NO_x, 37,000 tons of PM, and \$20 billion in fuel costs. This was the equivalent of removing 10,000,000 cars from the road for one year.

The second presentation was by Lori Clark of NCTCOG. NCTCOG became a SmartWay affiliate in 2006. They target all areas of transportation because 2/3 of the emission inventory is on road and non road and of their on road emissions 58% is light duty vehicles and almost 30% heavy diesel. They have developed the SMARTE Program – Saving Money and Reducing Truck Emissions as a regional one –stop source for education, outreach/ promotion, assistance for the trucking industry. They acted as a third party distributor of funding for EPA DERA grant which was their 10th DERA award. Funds were used to electrify parking spaces at 4 trucking terminals using IdleAire. Terminals were more successful because they can require use of electrified spaces. Previously had done truck stops where use was optional and therefore less successful.

ii.) Ozone update is page 4 of the agenda. Through the end of April, there was only one day >60ppb and resulting Design Value through the end of April is 67 ppb.

iii.) Earth Day Events

a.) Earth Day Museum – photos of winning projects were brought to the meeting

(1.) Contacted the school counselor to let her know the winners and ask her to give me the number of students in each class to provide prizes

(2.) Thank You to all who helped with judging – Jan Caldwell, who also donated some prizes for winners, Diane Williams, Joe Drew, (and Michelle McKenzie).

b.) Earth Day at Weatherford College was great success. They had 200 participants. Jan Caldwell and Michelle McKenzie gave away most of the Air North Texas outreach items, all but 2 Clean Air Coalition info cards, and lots of Luminant Chap Stick and bags. We had one volunteer from the Granbury campus of Weatherford College who was very helpful! Photos of this event were shared as well.

f.) Clean Air Action Day is June 26th. Airtorthtexas.org for more information. Remember the date cards on seed paper provided by Air North Texas were distributed to those present.

g.) FY 16/17 PGA draft was submitted on April 15, 2015. A copy of the PGA and the budget are available for review.

3.) Regional updates were provided by Chris Klaus.

a) Attached are a map and listing of all the entities who have adopted the Clean Fleet Policy as revised by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) in December 2014, as of April 27. Thank you to those fleets who have adopted, and we encourage all other fleets to consider adoption to encourage eligibility for NCTCOG-administered vehicle funding efforts. Lipan ISD which is partially in Hood County has adopted the policy. It is available for private fleets as well. Staff from the NCTCOG are willing to come for Council or Commissioner Meetings to help in discussion.

b.) Funding Opportunities: visit www.nctcog.org/aqfunding for a full list; remember that NCTCOG staff is available to answer any questions or assist with applications if needed. Items of note:

i.) The TERP Light-Duty Motor Vehicle Purchase and Lease Incentive Program continues to offer rebates of up to \$2500 per vehicle for qualifying natural gas, propane, or electric vehicles. Eligibility includes local governments and private company fleets.

ii.) The TERP Rebate Grants Program continues to accept applications; this is a simplified application process and is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

c.) EPA Grant Funding expected soon: funding is expected to be announced under the EPA National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program very soon. NCTCOG will likely submit another grant proposal and encourages collaboration with Hood County; please contact Lori Clark at lclark@nctcog.org with any project ideas. Keep in mind that projects must reduce emissions from existing diesel vehicles or equipment and that applicants must provide non-federal matching funds (amount varies based on project type). NCTCOG expects that eligible project types and funding levels will be similar to past funding rounds; for your convenience, the 2014 EPA Request for Proposals is attached – see pages 2-3 for eligible project types and funding levels.

Chris Klaus also included that the 2014 ozone data is now certified and DFW is currently at a Design Value of 82. EPA has declared the previous data is clean related to the previous 97 ozone standard that is now revoked. NCTCOG and others still trying to get EPA to consider issues related to transport.

4.) EPA Updates by Michelle McKenzie– Carrie Paige was out of the office this week and no notes were sent to be included in the meeting.

5.) No other discussion

6.) Chairman Dave Porcher adjourned the meeting.