Meeting Minutes - November 15, 2023 City Of Aurora, Colorado



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VIRTUAL MEETING

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

Tom Tobiassen, Committee Member, Citizen

Brad Pierce, Committee Member, Chair, Citizen Josh Reddell, Committee Member, Vice-Chairman, Citizen - ABSENT Max Blair, Committee Member, Industry David Carro, Committee Member, Surface Owner Marc Cooper, Committee Member, Surface Owner Philip Holmes, Committee Member, Industry Larry Quirk, Committee Member, Citizen- ABSENT Greg Bloodworth, Member, Citizen Industry - OPEN James Spehalski, Committee Member, Surface Owner - ABSENT

Jeffrey S. Moore, City of Aurora, Energy & Environment Division Manager Maria Alvarez, City of Aurora, Senior Oil & Gas Planner, Energy & Environment Division - ABSENT Susan Sherman, City of Aurora, Senior Oil & Gas Inspector, Energy & Environment Division Dave Scott, City of Aurora, Assistant City Attorney

- Chairman Pierce called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.
 - There was a quorum was not met at rollcall, quorum was met before the end of the meeting.
 - Chairman Pierce asked that City of Aurora Staff and members of the public to introduce themselves. All attendees are listed above.
 - Quorum was met 26 minutes into the meeting.
- 2. Approval of September 20, 2023, minutes: unable to vote due to no quorum. Once quorum was met, September 20, 2023, meeting minutes we approved.
- Public Comment Period
 - No comments
- Staff Updates:

Jeffrey S. Moore, Manager Energy & Environment, City of Aurora Permitting

- - King South Phase 2 currently under Review 2 awaiting response to comments.
 - Bijou North currently under Review 1
 - GMT Exploration Invicta 3-65-28 currently under Phase 1 Review. Will be processed through the Oil and Gas Manual, there is no existing Operator Agreement, 2 Phase processes. Phase 1: Location, Phase 2: Environmental Surface Impacts.

Susan Sherman, Senior Oil & Gas Inspector, Energy & Environment Division, City of Aurora Inspections -

- Field day Sunset Grim/Cottonwood Creek area appurtenance checks.
- Spills:
 - Blue pad (2) 40x60' areas from workover rig, most cleaned up and reported to state. 0
 - Chico Watkins historic spill at separator and compressor.
- Inspection:
 - Jamaso since coming back online. Complete. 3 spills 0
 - On schedule for 4th quarter inspections.

Inspection Comments/Questions:

- Chairman Pierce when inspections are being done how do you detect for leaks?
 - Ms. Sherman always takes FLIR camera whenever she is in the field.
 - Any spill is required to be reported per ECMC Rule 912, SPILLS AND RELEASES (link to 900 Series ECMC Rules: 900 Series - Environmental Impact Prevention.pdf (state.co.us)).
 - Mr. Moore confirmed that COA is working with Operator to correct issue. The rules between COA and ECMC are slightly different, but still reportable to state.

Jeffrey S. Moore, Manager Energy & Environment, City of Aurora

General Updates -

2023 Energy & Environment Annual Update to PED (attached)

Presentation Comments/Questions:

- Mr. Blair regarding the air monitoring equipment, what is it that they are monitoring?
 - Mr. Moore the air monitoring equipment doesn't monitor methane, but rather VOCs. We had to work within the budget given to us by City Council. We were able to get 15 monitors spread



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- throughout the City. We do have a Summa canister that can be sent to a lab for analysis on VOCs.
- If there are any VOCs that are registering higher than the others, we have the ability to monitor individually using the Summa canister and we can get that sent to a laboratory for testing to get more concrete information, at the moment we are in the QC phase of testing.
- Discussed about the Purple Air monitoring system, and the artificial immediate localized effects.
- Ms. Sherman added that this is exactly what the Operators are doing, using Summa canisters onsite, typically 3 air monitoring stations.

Chairman Pierce asked about portable air quality monitors. Stated that Centennial Airport has multiple monitors for both air quality and noise. Chairman Pierce also gave the Energy & Environment Team kudos for a job well done, and the level of detail and attention to permitting and inspections. Chairman Pierce also mentioned the recycling program available with Waste Management (WM) costs \$10-15.

o Mr. Moore stated that Aurora Water (AW) has similar programs available.

<u>Lowry Ranch</u> – outside of the City of Aurora, east of Ward VI, latest applications for Comprehensive Area Plan (CAP) still under review / completeness check at ECMC level. Arapahoe County changed Oil and Gas setbacks to is 1-mile, which is what City of Aurora currently has. Arapahoe County also passed Phase 2 regulations (earlier this week), Mr. Blair stated that these Phase 2 regulations might have further impacts on the proposed O&G sites that Crestone Peak Resources has applied to.

Chairman Pierce took roll call again and met quorum. Regarding September 20 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Cooper made a motion, Mr. Carro 2^{nd} the motion, unanimous approval of minutes.

- 5. Open Items for Discussion
 - 2024 Meeting Dates
 - January 17, 2024
 - March 20, 2024
 - May 15, 2024

- July 17, 2024
- Sept 18, 2024
- Nov 20, 2024

Meeting Adjourned at 5:08pm.

Minutes Approved

Brad Pierce, O&GAC Chairman

Date