



MINUTES
LANE REGIONAL AIR PROTECTION AGENCY
BOARD MEETING

February 10, 2022

VIA - ZOOM

ATTENDANCE:

Board: Joe Pishioneri-Chair, Jeannine Parisi, Matt Keating, Jenna Knee, Terry Fitzpatrick, Howard Saxion, Mike Fleck, Chrissy Hollett, and Joe Berney.

Others: Mary Bridget Smith - Attorney City of Springfield, Marlene Hockema - LCOG Minutes Recorder

Staff: Steve Dietrich, Debby Wineinger, Katie Eagleson, Robbye Robinson, Julie Lindsey, Colleen Wagstaff, Travis Knudsen, Max Hueftle, Trinidad Cardenas

1. **OPENING: Chair Pishioneri** called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m., attendance was taken, and a quorum was met. Chrissy Hollett (Oakridge Mayor) was welcomed as a new member to the board.
2. **ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA: Mike Fleck** noted that the nominations, Items 4C and 4D should be separate action items not under consent calendar.
3. **PUBLIC PARTIPATION: None**

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS: None

4. **ACTION ITEMS:** Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of Minutes of January 24, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting.
- B. Approval of Expense Reports for January 2021.

MOTION: Mike Fleck moved, and Howard Saxion seconded the approval of the Consent Calendar.

Mike Fleck requested an amendment to the January 24, 2022, minutes to indicate that he voted no on Item 5 PERS resolution and restated his motion to include the amendment.

VOTE: Passed

5. NOMINATIONS:

A. Nominate/Appoint Board Chair and Vice Chair:

Commissioner Berney nominated Chair Pishioneri as Chair and Chrissy Hollett as Vice-Chair. **Matt Keating** responded with the nomination of Jeannine Parisi as Chair and a vote was taken for Chair.

VOTE: Majority for Joe Pishioneri 7-2 Yes votes were: Joe Pishioneri, Terrence Fitzpatrick, Mike Fleck, Jeannine Parisi, Chrissy Hollett, Jenna Knee, and Joe Berney. No votes were: Matt Keating, and Howard Saxion.

Matt Keating nominated Jeannine Parisi as Vice-Chair and a vote was taken for that position.

VOTE: Majority for Jeannine Parisi 5-4. Yes votes were: Jeannine Parisi, Howard Saxion, Joe Berney, and Matt Keating and Jenna Knee. No votes were: Joe Pishioneri, Terrence Fitzpatrick, Chrissy Hollett, and Mike Fleck.

The affirmed Chair and Vice-Chair will take office March 1, 2022.

B. Nominations/Appoint new Budget Committee Members and Budget Officer:

Travis Knudsen presented a summary of Budget-Related Appointments by LRAPA Board which total 18 members, nine members of the LRAPA Board of Directors and 9 members of the community. Budget committee members are recruited individually by board members who nominate them for appointment by the Board.

MOTION: Mike Fleck moved nomination approval, for the following, with appropriate terms. **Joe Berney** seconded the motion.

- Steve Schmunk (Springfield), nominated by Joe Pishioneri.
- Ruth Linoz (Springfield), nominated by Terry Fitzpatrick.
- Dawn Kinyon (Oakridge), nominated by Chrissy Hollett.
- Dylan Plummer (Eugene), nominated by Jenna Knee
- Michelle Webber (Lane County), nominated by Joe Berney.

VOTE: Passed

MOTION: Mike Fleck moved, and **Matt Keating** seconded, that the board accept the nomination of Julie Lindsey as the Budget Officer.

VOTE: Passed

6. REVIEW MULTI-YEAR BUDGET FORECAST FOR FY2022-2026 (*postponed from January meeting*):

Steve Dietrich reviewed the Multi-Year Budget Forecast stating LRAPA would present three scenarios to the Board at the February meeting that incorporate the revenue uncertainties (Base-Case, Worse-Case and Best-Case scenarios). He added that LRAPA funds depend on revenue from several diverse sources, including federal funds, state funds, local funds, permit fees, enterprise funds, and special project grants of which some are more

stable than others. Discussion followed incorporating a new methodology if grant funding may not be available in the future and the use of Airmetrics Enterprise Funding.

7. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (January 2022):

Travis Knudsen presented the Advisory Committee report stating they continue to research different approaches, or uses, regarding gas power tools versus electric tools. Further discussion determined that the Board would like the CAC to research the topic for outreach materials, but they were not looking for recommendations on regulations or rules. **Mike Fleck** reminded the board that they do not have regulatory authority.

Travis Knudsen also reported that the CAC has been actively pursuing additional members and have received an application from Misti Frost; **Matt Keating** pointed out that the consensus, last month, was to draw candidates by geographical representation rather than expertise. It was noted that the next CAC meeting would be February 22, 2022. **Jeannine Parisi** questioned whether the Fire Suppression position had been filled to which **Travis Knudsen** replied in the affirmative adding that an offer had been made to Christopher Stein (ODF) and he was interested but had not submitted his application yet.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT OF AGENCY ACTIVITIES JANUARY 2022:

Director Dietrich submitted the Director's report summarizing the air quality, enforcement, and complaint reports. In addition he reviewed the status of the current four pending enforcements and updated the group on asbestos abatement notices.

Jeannine Parisi expressed concern that the topic of last month's discussion (JH Baxter) had closed, and she became aware of it through a newspaper article. She further indicated her disappointment that a topic that was of great concern to the Board and the public was not addressed formally.

9. OLD BUSINESS:

Director Goals Cross Walk to LRAPA Mission (*Postponed from January meeting*)

Director Dietrich noted that his report was available for review; goals are:

- Complete the submittal of the Oakridge/Westfir PM2.5 and PM10 Maintenance Plans
- Begin review and update LRAPA internal policies, procedures, benefits, etc.
- Report the LRAPA pre-budget process to be prepared and in alignment with the LRAPA, Board of Directors, and the Budget Committee meetings
- Review and assess the costs of operating the organization and comparing to financial metrics
- LRAPA to consider a website redesign
- Continue to find ways to increase CAO community engagement to improve public understanding and awareness
- Continue to become familiar with air environmental issues in Lane County and coordinate solutions

- Continue to seek new funding sources to help improve air quality, such as the Oakridge TAG and the recent (ARP) American Recovery Plan opportunities
- Perform detailed evaluation of the effectiveness of the Airmetrics enterprise to help monitor air quality
- Review the LRAPA complaint intake process
- Stay engaged with Oregon DEQ, Oregon State legislature, etc., to stay updated on regulatory requirements

Jeannine Parisi commented she had asked for information regarding future PERS costs at which time all employees are on the plan. **Joe Pishioneri** responded that multiple board members had made inquiries and he believed Julie Lindsey would be responding.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Joe Pishioneri reminded the Board that it would be appropriate for members to approach staff with inquiries but not so with projects or assignments and added that Debby Wineinger should be copied on inquires so records could be kept. He further stated that there was no evidence that there had been recent occurrences but rather it was informational only.

Jeannine Parisi reminded the Board that Director Dietrich's official evaluation should probably take place in May 2022.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Pishioneri adjourned the meeting at 1:54 p.m.

(Record by Marlene Hockema)