

November 22, 2016 Minutes
For the Environmental Quality Council

The chairman of the EQC, Dr. Bagley called a telephonic meeting of the Council to order on November 22, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. The meeting was held by telephonic means and in the board room of the Board of Equalization, in the Herschler building 1st floor west, 122 West 25th St. Cheyenne WY. Present from the Council were Tim Flitner, Meghan Lally, Aaron Clark, Megan Degenfelder, Rich Fairservis and Nick Agopian. Staff present were Jim Ruby, Executive Officer, Ryan Schelhauss from the Attorney General's Office and Joe Girardin, Paralegal.

The first item on the agenda was to reopen the docket in Docket #16-2102 to consider comments filed within time but that failed to be considered and to ratify the Council action taken at the public hearing held on November 17, 2016. Councilmember Fairservis moved to reopen the docket. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lally. All members voted aye. No member was absent.

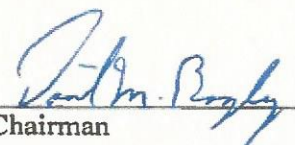
Councilmembers Degenfelder, Agopian and Bagley noted for the record that on November 17, 2016 they had declared pursuant to Chapter 1 Section 16(a) that they derive a significant portion of their income from persons/entities subject to Air Quality Permits or enforcement orders and that they may have a potential conflict of interest.

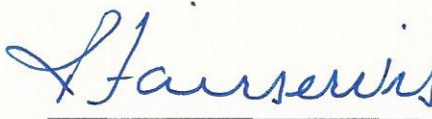
Appearing on behalf of the Air Quality Division of the DEQ was the Air Quality Administrator Nancy Vehr. Ms. Vehr informed the Council of the events that led to 8 comments having been filed on time but were not responded to or considered by the Council during the public hearing on November 17, 2016. The problem with the online comment system that resulted in the comments not being considered has been remedied by including more members of the rules team to be notified when comments are received. Prior to the opening of the docket the Council had the opportunity to read the comments and to review the response of the Department. The comments reiterated the same testimony presented at the public hearing on November 17, 2016. All the comments were in support of the rule package.

The hearing was closed and Councilmember Fairservis moved to ratify the Council action of November 17, 2016 approving the rule package and the statement of principal reasons. Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. Voting Aye were Chairman Bagley and Councilmembers Agopian, Degenfelder, Flitner, Fairservis and Lally. No one voted nay or was absent.

Councilmember Clark moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fairservis. All members voted Aye. The meeting was adjourned at 1:43 p.m. on November 22, 2016.

APPROVED this 19 day of January, 2017.


Chairman


Secretary