



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 22, 2009

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Main Conference Room

Penn West Building, 50th Avenue West, Drayton Valley, AB

IN ATTENDANCE

Cecil Andersen	WCAS Chairman, Pembina Agriculture Protection Association
Brian Novak	TransAlta Generation Partnership
Jeff Sansom	Epcor Utilites Inc.
David Helmer	Alberta Environment
Rick Phaneuf	Alberta Environment
Steve Harrington	ERCB
Bob Kitching	Brazeau County
Audrey Kelto	Leduc County
Cheryl Bissell	Yellowhead County
David Brand	Sherritt International
Greg Ross	Teck Coal Ltd.
Steven Probert	Alberta Health Services
Bob Scotten	WCAS Executive Director
Patrick Andersen	WCAS QA/QC
Heather Plumb	WCAS Office Manager
Susan Kelly	Landowner
Lyle Andersen	Landowner

ACTION ITEMS

Action Item 1: *Bob to write letter to Bob Stone and Bob Myrick regarding the discontinuation of the PM10 monitoring.*

Action Item 2: *Upon further research, WCAS to install new generator as soon as possible.*

Action Item 3: *Heather to produce working copy and Bob to develop a new TransAlta/Epcor/WCAS contract.*

Action Item 4: *Bob to invite Alberta Health to attend AGM to discuss AQHI.*

1. Welcome and Introductions

Cecil Andersen called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.. Introductions were made.

2. Approval of Agenda

Approved as presented.

3. Approval of April 25, 2008 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Approved as presented.

4. Review of Action Items: Bob Scotten

No Action Items to review.

5. Presentation of Audited Financial Statements: Bob Scotten

Please see Annual Report (Page 15).

6. Approval of Auditors for 2009

The services of the accounting firm Carlson Roberts Seely were approved.

7. Affirmation of WCAS Directors for 2009-2010 Term

Agriculture	Cecil Andersen, Pembina Agricultural Protection Association (Chair) Cliff Whitelock, Pembina Agricultural Protection Association
Electrical Utilities	Brian Novak, TransAlta Generation Partnership Kelly Fyhn, Epcor Utilities Inc.
Environmental NGO's	Vacant
Forestry	Phil Whitney, West Fraser Mills – Hinton Pulp
Gas Transmission	Vacant
Oil & Gas Producers	Rick McNallie, Blaze Energy
Provincial Government	David Helmer, Alberta Environment Steve Harrington, Energy Resources Conservation Board
Public-at-Large	Audrey Kelto, Leduc County
Municipalities	Bob Kitching, Brazeau County
Transportation/Foothills Coal	David Brand, Sherritt International Corp. Coal Operations Greg Ross, Teck Coal, Cardinal River Operations
Health	Steven Probert, Alberta Health Services Adam Jensen, Alberta Health Services
Executive Director	Bob Scotten, Robert Scotten Management

8. WCAS Overview: Bob Scotten

WCAS had another very successful year while faced with significant challenges at our Hightower station. Due to the pristine nature of the area and the lack of connection to the power grid, WCAS strives to maintain Hightower as an alternative power driven station including wind turbines and solar energy supplemented by a generator for back up. Following the installation of a propane generator, numerous difficulties ensued; eventually it was replaced with a diesel generator. At this point many of the bugs have been worked out.

Wagner Station also posed several unforeseen challenges. WCAS unexpectedly received notice that a gravel haul road was to be built through our location. A new location was found approximately one mile away, close to the TransAlta pump house. Alberta Environment approved the new site and the move was completed in late 2008.

Particulate Matter and Ozone Plan is a project that WCAS has been involved with for quite some time. Following a Federal government initiative every region with a population of more than 100,000 must implement a Particulate Matter and Ozone Plan (PM & Ozone). Our region includes the West Central Airshed Society, Fort Air Partnership and the Alberta Capital Airshed Alliance. In early 2000 there was one ozone event at our Tomahawk Station. High levels of ozone can result in various damages including the tarnishing of galvanized fences. A plan to evaluate and manage these events is in the final processes of being finalized.

Other changes include, implementing a new Data Acquisition System that allowed for better data manipulation as well as the replacement of 3 of our aging station buildings. A special thanks is owed to Sherritt International Corp for the donation of an additional building that allows us to re-establish a Steeper Station.

Finally Heather Plumb and her husband are expecting their first child. Due in December, Heather will be staying on as the Office Manager.

9. Agricultural Bio-Monitoring Program: Bob Scotten

This program focuses on the effects of S02 on the growth of Saskatoon's, which are indigenous and Alfalfa, which is imported, both plants being highly susceptible to pollution. This year we will be re-running an extensive modeling program as better statistical data becomes available.

10. Air Quality Data for Alberta: Kevin McCullum

Please contact WCAS for a copy of the Presentation.

11. Call for Public Input into Air Quality Issues for the Region

No items to discuss.

12. New Business

No new business.

13. Closing Remarks