

# **GARFIELD COUNTY ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD (EAB) MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday May 3rd, 2018**

Location: Garfield County Rifle Administration Building

## **CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTION**

Chair Scott Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Secretary Brackett Pollard conducted roll call and read the EAB mission statement.

## **EAB members in attendance:**

Kirby Wynn	Garfield County
Art Riddle	Town of New Castle
Craig Burger	Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
Chuck Hall	Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee
Leslie Robinson	Grand Valley Citizens Alliance
Brackett Pollard	Holy Cross Cattlemen's Association <b>(Secretary)</b>
Bob Arrington	Battlement Mesa/ Battlement Creek
Scott Brynildson	Mamm Creek/ Hunter Mesa
Howard Orona	Parachute/ Parachute Creek
Scott Stewart	Roan Creek <b>(Chair)</b>
Jason Metcalf	Una Bridge/ Wallace Creek/ Spring Creek
Jake Janicek	Caerus Oil & Gas
Brian Gardner	Summit Midstream
Don Simpson	Ursa Resources
Patrick McCown	Williams Midstream
Shawn Brennan	Terra Energy Partners

**Invited Guests: N/A**

## **APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES**

Kirby advised that a small revision needs to be made to Ursa's update regarding their time frame for completion for Phase I operations. He stated the minutes should read ALL well pads were completed within the 2-year time frame and not just the D Pad. Bob Arrington also advised that he had data he would like to include with his member update report from last month. A motion was made by Brian Gardner and seconded by Leslie Robinson to accept the revised meeting minutes for the April 2018 meeting. The revised meeting minutes were approved by voice vote with Bob Arrington choosing to abstain.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Scott Stewart announced that Robin Haney's position as Vice Chair will now need to be filled. He stated that Kirby will reconvene the Nomination's Committee to elect a new Vice Chair. Also, advised that the BOCC quarterly report is due soon and Jake Janicek has volunteered to present the update to the Board of County Commissioners at one of their upcoming Monday meetings.

Leslie asked Kirby if he needed continued help with finding topics/ speakers for their educational presentations. Kirby advised that ideas for educational presentations/ speakers are always welcome. Discussion ensued regarding ideas for future speakers/ topics. Jake Janicek asked when the BOCC meeting for the quarterly update will take place, Kirby advised that he and Jake can get together and decide which Monday BOCC meeting will work best.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

N/A

## **EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION(S)**

Rob Winn, Roan Area Access Project- Discussion of hunter efforts to create a partnership for private land access for hunting: The educational presentation video and PowerPoint may be viewed at <https://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx>

Extensive Q&A followed the presentation

## **COMMUNITY COUNTS AND STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY UPDATES**

Don Simpson provided Community Counts activity update, current rig count, informational emails update, and the few concern calls received in the last month on behalf of Nita Smith, Executor Director of Community Counts. 24/7 Call line is 866-422-9034.

Don Simpson advised the USA Collegiate Cycling Championship Race will be taking place Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> between 5am-5pm. The race will take place on Hwy 6 between DeBeque and West Parachute, expect traffic delays.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

N/A

## **EAB MEMBER UPDATES**

**Brian Gardner – Summit Midstream:** Stated they are continuing to have CDPHE inspections on their compressor stations. Advised that the Pumba, Hunter, Holmes Mesa, Rifle, and Hunter Compressor Stations were all inspected in the last month and there were no issues to note. Also stated that FLIR was not used on these compressor stations as it was on the Clough Compressor Station inspection last month.

**Kirby Wynn- Garfield County:** Advised he has had an increased number of complaints within the last month. Went over different types of complaints and informed of the steps taken to remedy them. Stated that he just finished up the Energy & Environment Symposium and gave a brief summary and over-view of topics discussed as well as approximate number of participants at the event. Scott Stewart asked if Kirby knew about any future collaboration with Mesa County in regards to Air & Water Quality testing. Kirby advised that they would need to speak with Morgan Hill for any updates regarding future collaboration between counties. Discussion ensued regarding the World Health Organization Air Quality report.

**Don Simpson– URSA:** Completions on the Battlement Mesa BMC D Pad are scheduled to continue until approximately October. Stated they discovered three pinholes in the temporary water line that runs from the B&V Pad to the Thompkins Pad, advised that the leak was caught in less than an hour and the water line was shut down completely. The line was used to recycle water and they were able to take approximately 10,673 trucks off the road over a year and a half period. Went over the outcome of the BMC A Well Pad Modification application that was heard by the BOCC on April 9<sup>th</sup> in Glenwood Springs. Stated the BOCC found the request to be a minor modification requiring no new public hearings. Also, stated that the COGCC decided to re-open public comment for an additional 7days regarding the minor modification to the BMC A Well Pad, and no new or plausible arguments were submitted during that time. Advised they had a couple odor complaints related to the BMC D Pad. Stated that they are looking at changing the water used on the BMC D Pad, to try and eliminate any odors the recycled water may be causing because of the treatment process. Also, stated the COGCC and CDPHE performed inspections on the BMC D pad because of the noise and odor complaints and they found no areas of concern. Advised of the Emergency complaint line and urged the public to call should they have any further questions or concerns. Also, advised of the dates and of upcoming community projects.

**Bob Arrington - Battlement Mesa/Battlement Creek:** Expressed concern last month's meeting minutes were incomplete, given the brief summary of his EAB member update. *Kirby responded that, other than specific resident nuisance issues, all members updates will be in very brief summary form as we also have online videos of the meetings people can view. Minutes capture formal decisions and actions and public comments as the primary priority and purpose.* Did not attend recent BOCC hearing on Ursa A pad changes. Battlement Concerned Citizens provided comments on the A pad to COGCC. Presented information to the CDPHE Air Quality Control Division meeting on April 17. Attended recent Energy & Environment Symposium along with other representatives from Battlement area. Repeated and emphasized details of his April meeting update regarding opinions on drilling equipment, drilling angles in relation to possible setbacks. Handed out his May member update notes to interested EAB members.

**Art Riddile -Town of New Castle:** Nothing new to report. Asked Kirby about monies that were recently given to Garfield, Moffat, Rio Blanco, and Mesa Counties from the US Naval Oil Shale Anvil Points fund. Wanted to know if Kirby could provide info on where the funds may land and how they could benefit the communities. Kirby advised that he would look into it.

**Jake Janicek – Caerus Oil & Gas:** Advised they currently have three active drilling rigs. Stated they just finished fracking the N-23 Well Pad and are now running flow-back operations there. They have now moved fracking operations up to their Marathon asset and they will begin fracking those wells. Advised he will have an aerial presentation for the EAB next month regarding those operations.

**Shawn Brennan – Terra Energy:** Stated that they have two active rigs right now, one in the Beaver Creek area and one in the Balzac Gulch area. Also advised that they are in various stages of completions and flow-back around the Garfield County area.

**Leslie Robinson – Grand Valley Citizen's Alliance:** Advised that she attended the Energy & Environment Symposium last week and wanted to thank both Kirby and the industry sponsors for putting on the event. Stated that she felt the symposium was a good educational program for citizens. Advised of the three House bills that they have been watching closely regarding industry regulations and stated that legislation for those bills ends next week. She stated that she does not expect the bills to pass in the Senate at this time. Spoke about recent air quality monitoring report that stated the EPA is targeting the Uintah Basin in Utah for being out of compliance for ozone standards.

**Scott Brynildson – Mamm Creek/ Hunter Mesa:** Nothing new to report.

**Craig Burger- Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission:** Advised that it is likely that the Sept. 17/18 COGCC Commission hearing will take place in Garfield County. Informed that the public can view any current permitting activity on-line on their dashboard. Also, stated that the new Flowline rules are now in effect and published on the COGCC website. Advised Dave Andrews was the COGCC Engineering Supervisor for the Western slope of Colorado and he is now the new active Engineering Supervisor. Bob Arrington stated he would like to make a recommendation that the on-line dashboard be programmed to be able to up-load attachments. Craig advised that he could always email any concerns or comments he may have to them.

**Scott Stewart – Roan Creek:** Had to leave the meeting early.

**Brackett Pollard – Holy Cross Cattleman's Association:** Advised that this time of year ranchers will have cattle migrating from winter feeding grounds to spring/ summer range. Asked that everyone be mindful of that and to watch out for livestock on the road.

**Howard Orona – Parachute/ Parachute Creek:** Nothing new to report.

**Chuck Hall – Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee:** Advised that he would also like to thank Kirby for putting on a great program at the Energy & Environment Symposium. Stated that Ursa will be providing an update to the Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee on May 8<sup>th</sup> on current and future activities in the area.

**Pat McCown – Williams Midstream:** Advised as they are beginning their summer maintenance routines, the public may be seeing road-mounted cranes on the roadways, but he does not anticipate any disruptions. Also stated that they will be providing lunch at the Parachute trash pick-up tomorrow May 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Jason Metcalf – Una Bridge/ Wallace Creek/ Spring Creek:** Advised there has been minimal activity in the area. Stated that he has had a couple of neighbors ask about the possibility of guard rails being installed at the switch-backs at the East end of the county road. Kirby advised he would look into it.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS**

Scott Brynildson passed out fliers for and advised that he is President of the Rifle Rendezvous that will be taking place May 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> at the Garfield County Fairgrounds. He advised of all the different activities that will be taking place during the Rifle Rendezvous and urged everyone to attend.

Brackett Pollard adjourned the May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, EAB meeting at 7:22 pm.