

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

**Thursday November 1, 2018**

Location: Garfield County Rifle Administration Building

## **CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTION**

Secretary Shawn Brennan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Secretary Shawn Brennan conducted roll call and read the EAB mission statement.

## **EAB members in attendance:**

Kirby Wynn	Garfield County
Jerry Seifert	Town of Silt
Marc Morton	Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
Amy Provstgaard	Battlement Mesas Oil & Gas Committee
Carole Boughton	Colorado Mountain College
Bob Arrington	Battlement Mesa/ Battlement Creek
Scott Brynildson	Mamm Creek/Hunter Mesa
Jake Janicek	Caerus Oil & Gas
John Doose	Ursa Resources
Shawn Brennan	Terra Energy Partners ( <b>Secretary</b> )
Brian Gardner	Summit Midstream
Nick Kurtenbach	CPX Piceance

**Invited Guests: N/A**

## **APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES**

Shawn Brennan presented the August 2nd, 2018, meeting minutes for approval. Brian Gardner moved for approval. Bob Arrington seconded. No discussion. Unanimous approval.

Shawn Brennan presented the September 6, 2018, meeting minutes for approval. Brian Gardner moved for approval. John Doose seconded. No discussion. Unanimous approval.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business. As Leslie Robinson was not present, the discussion about new EAB members was tabled until her return.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Kirby Wynn offered a recap of the Ballot Forum held in October. There was a lot of positive feedback from the event and the way it was handled. Having speakers for and against Prop 112 and 74 with timed discussions and timed, written, question and answer sessions was a good approach. Approximately 80-90 people attended the forum.

## **EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION(S)**

N/A

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

Brian Gardner, on behalf of Nita Smith, Executive Director, provided Community Counts activity update, current rig count of 4 in Garfield County, 1 in Mesa County and 1 in Rio Blanco County. For September and October, there were a few concern calls received in the last month that were resolved by operators.

The Community Counts annual Board Meeting is November 14, 2018, at the Town of Parachute, large Board Room. 24/7 Call line is 866-422-9034.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comment.

## **EAB MEMBER UPDATES**

**Brian Gardner – Summit Midstream:** No new activity. Currently doing maintenance.

**Shawn Brennan – Terra Energy Partners:** Stated that they have two active rigs in Garfield County. There are no active completions, but will be starting in the next week. Current plan is to keep two rigs active in Garfield County.

**John Doose - URSA:** John stated that URSA is winding up work in Parachute. They are working on interim reclamation, including the B&V pad by the motel. URSA has worked with the hotel owner and they have come up with an interim reclamation plan that includes berm, trees and fence. Due to this construction, truck traffic is up in that area during the day. Drilling and completing are happening at Boyce Ranch. There is one rig and a 20" pipeline under completion. John had maps available of all reclamation projects and encouraged questions or later discussion if desired.

**Jake Janicek-Caerus Oil & Gas:** Jake reported no change since the last meeting. There are still three rigs north of Parachute, two on H15 pad and one on H04 pad. They are wrapping up the one on the H04 pad and moving it down the road. The plan for the foreseeable future is to have three rigs, all on their property. Currently two completion crews are working; one on the K10 pad on the ranch. They have about 30 wells on the ranch to frac and complete. One, the F26 pad on Puckett Ground NW of Parachute and about 2/3 of the way done up there.

**Nick – CPX:** Busy summer building a 12" gathering system on their property, about 2.5 miles long and is complete. The road is almost done. Working on strategic planning.

**Kirby Wynn- Garfield County:** Kirby reviewed the complaints for September and October. There were complaints over the two month period that included: Lights in Mineota Estates; Truck Speed on 309 Road, operator who contracted with the trucking company was contacted and education provided to drivers as a reminder; and, a few calls regarding odor in the Battlement Mesa PUD area where URSA is working and south of the PUD where there are other operators working. Kirby contacted operators in this area to monitor and work on odor. Far fewer calls than April/May related to odor.

Recent COGCC mineral pooling and hearings process rulemaking: Kirby and Commissioner Martin participated in the rulemaking. Kirby also participated in a statewide hydrocarbon emissions task force that has a goal of finding opportunities to reduce oil & gas emissions. Kirby participated in the COGCC Financial Assurance Task Force whose goal is to make sure adequate finances (bonds) are in place to ensure all abandoned wells are plugged and land is reclaimed.

**Howard Orona – Parachute/ Parachute Creek:** Reported via Kirby; Nothing new to report.

**Brackett Pollard – Holy Cross Cattlemen's Association:** Reported via Kirby; Nothing new to report.

**Jason Metcalf – Una Bridge/ Wallace Creek/ Spring Creek:** Kirby provided update for Jason and advised that he had nothing new report.

**Bob Arrington - Battlement Mesa/Battlement Creek:** Advised of concerns related to odors in early October. Asked John Doose, of URSA, about the use of carbon blankets on tank hatches. John confirmed that to an extent carbon blankets are used. Kirby followed up saying that Morgan Hill has been sampling air quality both upstream and downstream from work area, as well as “grab samples” which are more in the moment and on location.

**Jeff Simonson – Divide Creek:** Nothing new to report.

**Amy Provstgaard – Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee:** Nothing new to report.

**Carole Boughton – Colorado Mountain College:** Thanked EAB for holding forum at CMC.

**Scott Brynildson – Mamm Creek/ Hunter Mesa:** Had to leave early, but left a note with Carole Boughton that there is nothing new to report.

**Marc Morton- Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission:** Marc advised that there was a commission hearing this week in Denver on various topics. The Interim director will be Mike Leonard. There has been a large uptick in applications creating a backlog. The next hearing is December 17-18. Ongoing school setback rulemaking. Craig Berger is taking over for Dave Andrews as NW region engineering supervisor. NW forum taking place December 6, at CMC campus in the morning. COGCC is setting up an office in Rifle. They are waiting for internet and phone access.

**Jerry Seifert – Town of Silt:** Advised nothing to report.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS**

December 6, 2018, EAB meeting – JT Romatzke is the Colorado Parks and Wildlife’s new northwest regional manager. He will attend the meeting, bringing new energy liaison Taylor Elm to discuss wildlife and oil and gas.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

N/A

Secretary Shawn Brennan adjourned the November 1, 2018, EAB meeting at 7:35 p.m.