

Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2019

Via phone conference hosted by Ohio EPA/OCAPP, Central Office, Columbus

CAP members Present: Glorianna Corman, Rep. Shane Wilkin, Dan Sowry **Call-in:** Carolyn Cybulski, John Pierko, Kara Alison, Christina O’Keeffe

Absent:, Chris Shaw and Ben Stratton

Non-member participants: Director Laurie Stevenson, Jerry Rouch, Gretchen Craycraft, Michael Guastella, Glorianna Corman, Chris Ferruoso, Les Davies, Bennett Thayer, Mike Ryan, Kristen Dameron, Madelyn Johnson, Stephanie Kromer, Shane VanBibber, Lexie Andrews and Jessica Cáceres

Roll Call: Lexie opened the meeting at 10 a.m. followed by introductions and roll call.

Welcome: DEFA Chief, Jerry Rouch welcomed everyone especially all the attendees that were participating in a voluntary capacity. Lexie thanks Glorianna for bringing the members of the Central Ohio Certified Hazardous Materials Managers (COCHMM). The room was filled with many new faces including participation from the Nation Federation of Independent Businesses, U.S. EPA’s Office of Advocacy, Builders Exchange of Central Ohio, and The Central Ohio Hazardous Materials Managers. Lexie informed the group that Director Stevenson is schedule to stop by in the second half of the meeting.

New Appointee: Lexie shared that Representative Shane Wilkin was recently appointed to the CAP. Rep. Wilkin is involved in several different roles, most recently serving as a Highland County Commission for three terms and is chairman of the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission. In addition to those roles, Rep. Wilkin is also a small business owner involved in real estate development, a licensed real estate agent and was previously the president of the Highland County Board of Realtors. Rep. Wilkin is actively involved with his community serving as a board member of both the Community Improvement Corporation and the Highland District Hospital Foundation. Rep. Wilkin now represents the people of the 91st House District which includes Clinton, Highland, and Pike counties as well as part of Ross County.

Legislative Updates: Lexie then introduced Ohio EPA’s Legislative team Michael Guastella and Gretchen Craycraft. Michael serves as Ohio EPA’s Deputy Director of Government Affairs and Gretchen as Legislative Liaison. Michael coordinates all government affairs activity for Ohio EPA, represents the Agency before the Ohio General Assembly and serves as a liaison to the Ohio Governor’s Office on Agency issues. Gretchen works in the Office of Government Affairs, represents the Agency before the Ohio General Assembly, responds to questions and concerns from legislators, and serves as a liaison to the Ohio Governor’s office on Agency issues. Both Michael and Gretchen emphasized the importance of working proactively with Ohio EPA to address issues and concerns.

Outreach and Marketing Strategy: Lexie introduced Todd Nein from Ohio EPA who recently joined the Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention as an Outreach Specialist. Todd gave a short presentation about his role and what he wants to accomplish in this new outreach position.

New Ohio EPA Factsheets: Lexie informed the CAP that progress is continuing with the Division of Air Pollution Control to create three new asbestos focused factsheets. The three factsheets will cover individual asbestos certifications, asbestos hazard abatement contractors and asbestos training provider requirements. Once these are finalized by Ohio EPA's Public Interest Center, they will be available on Ohio EPA's Asbestos webpage.

Palm Card Translations: Lexie introduced Jessica Cáceres to the CAP. Jessica provided an update on the educational outreach documents she is working on translating into Spanish.

Local Leaders Webinar Series: Lexie shared information about the work Ohio EPA is doing on creating a Local Leaders Webinar Series that models the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy's (EGLE) Local Leaders Webinar Series. Currently EGLE hosts a one-hour webinar that tackles topics that are of interest to local officials and community leaders throughout the state. Ohio hopes to do the same.

Ohio EPA Updates: Dan shared information about Ohio EPA's new chat feature that is being worked on. Dan also shared information about an upcycling competition that is in the works as well as the Agency's next Compliance Assistance Conference that is set for Spring 2020.

SBO Updates: Christina shared information about OAQDA's new palmcards showcasing their program. She said that OAQDA is working through updating a lot of their information including the information about OCAPP on their website.

Greetings from Director Stevenson: Director Stevenson join the CAP and shared her story as a daughter of a small business owner, her previous involvement with the CAP and why she thinks it is incredibly important to helping our team at Ohio EPA put out useful information and assist Ohio's businesses.

Agenda & 2020 Meeting Schedule: Lexie opened up the discussion of the CAP 2020 Meeting schedule. The group said they would like to keep the 10-12 meeting time and stick to the quarterly schedule. Meeting dates February 18, May 19, September 15 and November 17 were selected. The CAP also expressed interest in scheduling additional off-site meetings or CAP outing or site visit.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at ~12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lexie Andrews, OCAPP Supervisor/CAP Secretariat