

Meeting Minutes of the PCB Advisory Board Meeting

Date: October 20, 2022

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:20 pm

Location: 50 West Town Street, Suite 700 Columbus, Ohio, EPA Conf. Room A

PCB Advisory Board Voting Members Present in Person:

- Mark Johnson, Assistant Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA)
- Tracy Intihar, Assistant Director of the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA)
- Steve Gray, Assistant Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)
- Gene Phillips, Chief of the Office of the Bureau of Environmental Health and Radiation Protection of the Ohio Department of Health (ODH)
- Aaron Farmer, Assistant Chief, Environmental Enforcement, Office of Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost

Others Attending in Person:

- Janine Maney, Ohio EPA, Supervising Attorney, Division of Materials and Waste Management
- Lynn Garrity, Ohio Lake Erie Commission, Lake Erie Program Administrator
- Bill Zawiski, Ohio EPA, Environmental Supervisor

Others Attending by Video Conference:

- Ann Fischbein, Ohio EPA, Assistant Chief Legal Counsel

Chairperson Mark Johnson calls to order the PCB Advisory Board and welcomes everyone.

The Chair convened the meeting and sought approval of the minutes from the last meeting on October 3, 2022. The Board so approved last meeting's minutes.

Cuyahoga Gorge Dam Project Proposal

Lynn Garrity and Bill Zawiski proposed the Cuyahoga Gorge Dam project for PCB Advisory Board funding. A slide presentation and fact sheet offered by Lynn Garrity and Bill Zawiski are attached to the meeting minutes.

The request for PCB Advisory Board funding is \$25 million for the removal and management of sediment laden with PCBs and other contaminants.

The Board voted to recommend the request for funding.

The Chair will submit the recommendation for funding to the Director of Ohio EPA for final approval.

Proposal Framework

The Chair reopened discussion on the timeframe for the Board to vote for project proposals going forward. The Board discussed, agreed, and approved that it would review proposed projects as presented but will hold the vote for all proposed projects until after the deadline for submissions on January 31, 2023 for any department or agency of the Governor or the Ohio Attorney General's Office and on June 30, 2023 for any other stakeholder.

Next Steps

The Chair set the next meeting for November 7th from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm.

The Chair announced the meeting is adjourned.