



Clinton County Natural Gas Task Force

Meeting Notes

May 29, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Pete Smeltz. He welcomed new visitors and participants.

Bruce Jones, Workforce Development/Education Committee, reported on the unemployment statistics from the report that was emailed to the committee prior to the meeting. There were 133 new hires in April and May, fifteen of which were in the natural gas industry. Scott Owens, KCSO, reported that he, Shannon Tyson, LHU Workforce Development, and Bruce met with students and CareerLink to discuss ways to prepare students for jobs with the gas industry. They are planning a training at KCSO to train individuals for jobs with the gas industry. The training will be open to everyone, not just students. Shannon reported on the CDL courses that are being offered at CPI. Rich Musser, Tri-M/Hanna Electric, reported that they are working with the community to train young students to enter the electrical field.

Kevin Fanning from the Public Safety Committee provided an update on gas well addressing. He reported that representatives from Penn College spoke at the last committee meeting on their new technical and education center. Kevin attended the ribbon cutting ceremony. They would like to take a tour of a well site over the summer. The next meeting is July 19th. They hope to have the PA State Fire Academy at the next meeting to discuss their new curriculum.

Mr. Smeltz read Mike Flanagan's report for the Economic Development committee. The committee continues to maintain and update an available properties list for potential gas industry related firms. The listing has about 30 potential properties on it. Since the last meeting two larger vacant buildings have been purchased. Ultra Pipeline purchased the former Haven Homes facility in Beech Creek Township, and the Henry Street Partnership purchased the former Excel Homes/Avis Homes plant in Pine Creek Township. The subcommittee/Partnership also continues to maintain a list of gas related firms that are in the county or have some type of presence in the county. There are approximately 32 businesses on the unofficial list. Robert Maguire attended the recent Tri-County Oil & Gas Expo near Pittsburgh. The Northern Tier Marcellus Business Expo is June 23 in Troy, PA. The subcommittee met April 3 and will meet again in the near future.

Mitzi Gallagher, Public Education committee, reported that the committee has had two luncheon meetings since the past meeting. In April, Trican attended the luncheon and provided a report and in May Tri-M attended and provided a report. They hope to visit

CG VERITAS next month. Anyone interested in visiting CG VERITAS should email Mitzi.

Gerry Lacy from the Environmental Committee reported that their committee did not meet due to scheduling conflicts. Their next meeting is June 21 at 5:30 PM at the Conservation District. There will be a workshop on May 9 at the Cooperative Extension to explain the test results of the well testing program.

The Transportation committee provided an update of the roads that are being repaired. 144 South Renovo should be completed today. Mill and fill on Jay Street should be completed within the next two weeks. The final inspection on 664 on Hyner Mountain is coming up soon. They will be paving Hanna Park to the Ice Mine Cut after the work on Jay Street is completed. This will result in one lane traffic. Mr. Smeltz met with folks to discuss the issue of sand trucks from McKees Rocks Inc. coming in on 120 through 664. They will be discussing some alternatives.

Doug D'Amore, Sproul State Forest, reported that everything has been quiet. XTO has one rig working and there are two pipelines in phases of construction.

Mary Wolfe, Anadarko, reported on additional road improvements. She also offered her sympathies to the family of the driver who lost his life. Tom Burnett, XTO Energy, reported that they are continuing to drill and are working with fire companies who are interested in tours.

Tim Holladay, Planning Department, provided a handout regarding the requirement of municipalities to file their 2010 Municipality Approved Budget form with the PUC by July 6, 2012. Their Act 13 funding will be calculated based on this form.

Mr. Smeltz provided heartfelt condolences to the Garlick family who lost a loved one. He introduced Trooper Kevin Miller who discussed the investigation related to the truck accident. He stated that some companies are driving up Beech Creek mountain that should not be. He was asked if trucks containing frac water need placards. He responded that they do not. It was stated that the diesel fuel needs cleaned up. Jeff Lorson, Anadarko, responded that the fuel was treated onsite. DEP is doing follow up sampling.

There is a plan to construct a water filtration facility in Gallagher Township and the Gallagher Township supervisors are concerned with the environmental impacts and are not in favor of the facility.

It was reported that an oversized load jackknifed on 144. Use of that road cannot be restricted but companies are asked to be careful of what trucks use that road.

Matt Henderson, Penn State Cooperative Extension, was welcomed. Shannon reported that LHU Workforce Development is holding a full day natural gas seminar which Matt will be presenting. It is open to the public.

The next Gas Task Force meeting will be on June 26, 2012 at 4:00 pm in the Commissioners Meeting room.

Respectfully Submitted,

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