

Final MINUTES  
St. Charles County  
Commission on Environmental Quality  
January 27, 2010

Minutes by Commissioner Burris

**Meeting Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Langston at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room at St. Charles County Department of Health and the Environment Building.

**Roll Call and Guest**

*Members present:* Jeffrey Langston, Paul Baumann, Bill Malach, Jim Burris, Rick Higgins, Thomas Nelsen and Linda Wibbenmeyer

*Members absent:* John Choinka, Rhonda Ferrett

*Staff Present:* Pieter Sheehan

**Approval of Minutes of December 2, 2009:** Motion by Jim Burris and seconded by Linda Wibbenmeyer. Minutes approved.

**Comments from the Public:** None

**Comments/Concerns from Commissioners:**

Commissioner Bauman expressed his appreciation of engineers and the contribution they make.

Commissioner Nelsen provided a bulletin on an Environmental Justice in America program to be held May 12/14 2010. He also provided updated information on the Weldon Springs site.

**Report from Staff:**

Pieter Sheehan explained the 24 Carat Gold award and circulated an example. He also advised that the 2001 food code is being updated and he will keep us informed on progress.

### **Old Business:**

*Septic System Issue:* Mr. Sheehan stated that he was unaware of any further input on this issue being needed from the commission and that no draft maintenance agreement or template for such an agreement was planned by staff. Commissioner Baumann expressed concern that the board was not being involved in Community Development issues. Mr. Sheehan explained the current structure of county government as it related to the Commission on Environmental Quality. Commissioner Malach made the motion to remove this topic from the agenda. The motion was seconded by commissioner Bauman. Motion passed.

### **New Business:**

- A. Review of the county Wellhead protection District Ordinance (to be provided by county).

The Commission discussed the task of review of the county Wellhead protection district ordinance. Mr. Sheehan explained that he was unaware of any draft ordinance currently available, that he would check into the matter and report his findings at the next meeting.

- B. Review of program and procedures associated with the County's approved Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant.

Commissioner Wibbenmeyer expressed concern that the task seemed a little unspecific. It was concluded that the commission would review grant specific documents and discuss the task further at the next meeting.

- C. Review of methods to reduce regulatory burdens of homeowners and businesses while maintaining environmental protections.

After discussion it was concluded that this was not a specific task but a suggestion to remain sensitive to the burden regulatory programs can impose. Commissioner Farrett motioned to remove it from new business. The motion was seconded by commissioner Malach, motion passed.

D. Review of Solid Waste.

Mr. Sheehan explained that the Solid Waste Facility Permit needed to be updated due to his concerns over the solid waste disposal site being constructed by AmerenUE. This would likely occur over the next year. He asked the commission to assist in this effort. He advised that he would mail a copy of the county solid waste code to the commission for review. Further discussion of the issue would be scheduled for the next meeting.

Commissioner Baumann motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm, seconded by Commissioner Farrett. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned.

**The next meeting is February 24, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room of the St. Charles County Department of Community Health and the Environment, 1650 Boone's Lick Rd, St. Charles, MO 63301.**