Hazardous Materials Commission

Draft Minutes
Planning and Policy Development Committee
July 20, 2016

Members and Alternates:

Present: Jim Payne, George Smith, Jack Bean (alternate), Tim Bancroft (alternate), Ralph Sattler, Leslie Stewart
Absent: Don Bristol, Lara DeLaney, Steve Linsley, Matt Buell (represented by alternate), Frank Gordon (represented by alternate)
Members of the Public: Ellen Dempsey, Hazmat

1. Call to order, introductions and announcements

Commissioner Payne called the meeting to order at 4:04

Announcements:

Michael Kent announced;
- Interviews for the open Environmental Alternate seat will be conducted at the September 12th Operations committee meeting
- On August 8th, the Board of Supervisors Transportation, Water and Infrastructure committee will hear a report from County Staff on their response to the recommendations in the Pipeline Safety Trust report on pipeline issues in Contra Costa County
- On August 8th the Board of Supervisors Legislative committee will discuss legislative platform issues related to pipeline safety.
- The Commission retreat has been scheduled for October 27th.

Commissioner Payne announced that Cal OSHA has come out with new draft PSM regulations and comments are due on them by September 15th.

Commissioner Bean announced:
- The next Industrial Association forum will be on July 21st at 11:30 at Zio Fraedo’s in Pleasant Hill. The speaker will by Guy Berjke from the City of Concord.
- The annual IA Supervisor’s lunch will be November 17th at Zio Fraedo’s in Pleasant Hill.
- The IA candidates forum for Supervisor Glover’s seat will be on August 25th at Zio Fraedo’s in Pleasant Hill.

Commissioner Sattler announced that the Martinez CERT team will make a presentation on July 21st at the Martinez City Council Chambers at 6:30.
2. Public Comments: None

3. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the May 18, 2016 meeting were moved by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Bean and approved 2-0-2 with Commissioners Payne and Bancroft abstaining.

4. Old Business: None

5. New Business

a) **Review the draft Adaptation Responses developed by the BCDC Adapting to Rising Tides project related to hazardous materials.**

The committee focused their attention on the Adaptation Responses sections that were most related to hazardous materials – Industrial Land Use, Hazardous Materials Sites, Brownfields, Refineries, pipelines, and Household Hazardous Wastes.

They invited Ellen Dempsey from the Hazardous Materials Program to share her perspective on these recommendations. She had the following comments on the following sections:

- **Industrial Land Use Rec Gov1** – Education is the key for small businesses. It is important to develop specific information for different businesses and to provide them with Best Practices information. There is nothing in the Hazardous Materials Business Plans that facilities prepare for this or in the Emergency Response plans. The best approach could be just to provide education of Best Management Practices. Changes to existing regulations could be considered, but there needs to be a balancing of the need for addressing these issues with the burden of doing so.
- **Industrial Land Use Rec Func2** – Cal OES is doing a plan for emergency planning for critical infrastructure and for other local emergency planning efforts. They have coordinated this with Costa OES.
- **Industrial Land Use Rec Func4** – Start up and Shut down periods have the highest risk potential. These recommendations could be integrated into hazmat regulations and Emergency Response requirements.
- **Hazardous Materials Sites Gov 3** – These recommendations could easily be incorporated into CALARP and ISO regulations.
- **Hazardous Materials Sites Phys1** – Incentives are a good idea to encourage implementation of Best Management Practices
- **Hazardous Materials Sites Phys3** – Recently passed SB 612 requires more units to be covered by the above ground storage tank regulations.
- The idea for planning for new businesses without underground storage tanks would be ok with some exceptions.
The committee reviewed and discussed all the relevant recommendations included in the handout, but did not reach any conclusions as to which ones to recommend for implementation. There was general agreement that there was a lot of overlap between the recommendations of the various sections. It was decided that at the next committee meeting they would try to combine some of these recommendations and set priorities for which one’s they thought the Commission should support for further consideration.

6. **Items of Interest: None**

7. **Plan Next Agenda** Review to review and develop recommendation concerning the Adapting to Rising Tides Adaptation Responses

8. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 5:30.