

**WEST JEFERSON COMMUNITY TASK FORCE
MEETING**

December 19, 2000

The NIA Center, 2900 W. Broadway

Third Floor Conference Room

6:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES/MEMBERS PRESENT:

Arnita Gadson, WCCTF/KPPC

Peggy Bolton, Shawnee

Jonathan Miller, DuPont Dow Elastomers

Karen Cairns, University of Louisville

Art Williams, APCD

Pat Germany, California

Tom Herman, Zeon Chemicals

Bill Wetter, Jefferson Co. Health Dept

Melissa Dickson, Sustainable Dev. Park-DuValle

Any corrections to previous Task Force meeting minutes should be e-mailed to Penny Williams at plwill01@gwise.louisville.edu.

Stephanie Hollaman – Sud- Chemie was not present to make an industry presentation.

Art Williams – APCD – Air Monitoring Update

- Daphne Wilson, P2 and Environmental Justice Coordinator has accepted a job in Atlanta Region 4, EPA in the Air Permitting Division. Her job will be posted in January. It encompasses 80% pollution prevention development and 20% environment justice activities. Best of luck to Daphne.
- The Title V Permitting Workshop sponsored by the Air Pollution Control District was held on December 9, 2000. Twenty citizens attended. The primary focus was, “How Citizens can be involved in the Permitting Process”. Another workshop is planned for the spring.
- APCD sent a letter to Mike Nealy, News Director, WLKY-TV 32, regarding the John Boel’s November 2 story on local cancer rates and the air toxics monitoring project in west Jefferson County. The letter focused on inaccuracies and possible misrepresentations in referencing the air toxics project.
- Air sampling is going well – the data being produced from the monitoring stations are of the highest quality.

Community Survey Update Sub-Committee

- On December 18, a call from Alderman Cheri Bryant-Hamilton's office informed the Task Force, there was no money left in the budget to fund the survey or the dinner kick-off to produce the survey. It was suggested to request funding support from industry.
- Art Williams, APCD reminded us that there is still \$5000 available under the CBEP project for an educational outreach program. Tom Herman, Zeon, also informed the Task Force of possible funding from RCAC (Rubbertown Community Advisory Council). Request should be made by January 8, 2000 to Tom.

Bill Wetter – Jefferson County Health Dept.

- Bill informed the Task Force that Russ Barnett, U of L/KIESD made a presentation on the Air Toxics project to the Board. His report generated such interest it was suggested that these updates be given quarterly to keep the Board informed.
- One of the mandates given to the newly formed county/city government is the development of a website that names the various forms of governments, defining their function for public feedback regarding the merger efforts. This effort has a completion target date of December 2001.

Art Williams – APCD

Judge Jackson suggested that Boards could be more effective, if members of various boards met on a regular basis to discuss ways of combining efforts. Art, along with Jonathan, DuPont Dow Elastomers, suggested that the Task Force consider drafting recommendations to the County/City merger team to reflect priorities for the advancement of environmental issues. A letter writing sub-committee will meet in January to begin work on this effort.

Anyone interested in working on the subcommittee should contact the center. The first meeting is to be held January 11, 2000, 6:00 p.m. If this conflicts with a major event of which I am unaware, please let me know. This is a tentative date and can be changed with massive requests.