

Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting

May 30, 2001

Bennett Environmental Inc. Office - 1 Duncan Avenue, Kirkland Lake, Ontario

Present:

Chris Rutherford
Robert Macdonald - Chair
Sandy Dal Pai
Todd Morgan
Virginia Prentice

Danny Ponn, BEI
Carey Letts, BEI
Dawn Knight, BEI

Ken Gibson, Ministry of the Environment
Daryl Firlotte, Ministry of the Environment

Absent:

Tony Robles
Tom Obradovich

Opening Discussions

Robert commenced the meeting by requesting follow-up information on any meetings that have taken place between BEI and public or interested parties.

Carey provided a summary of meetings held, including with the Rotary Club, Northern College and Job Connect in Kirkland Lake. She also described a meeting that almost took place between Mr. Raftis, agricultural interest groups, various environmental interest groups, possibly First Nation Organizations, etc. that was cancelled due to Mr. Bennett just returning from a stay in Europe. At the time precautions were being taken with respect to mad cow disease and members of the agricultural community requested that the meeting be cancelled.

A general question posed: How does BEI feel about the TCI proposal.

Danny described that one of BEI's background documents did look at a number of different technologies. He explained our understanding of what this technology is and talked about the various steps involved, where this unit has been used in the past, etc.

Chris wondered if the TCI proposal would result in a residue. Danny responded that BEI's understanding is that there is 3-4% of the material ending as a concentrate. In

TCI's proposal BEI Quebec plant was listed as a disposal place for this residue, Danny clarified that Quebec cannot receive sludge residues.

1. Queenston Mining Inc. Issue

No further discussions as of yet, however we are in discussions with The Town of Kirkland Lake and hopefully soon to be with Queenston Mining about options to avoid the Kirkland Lake amalgamated gold deposit.

2. Updated Timeline

Discussed timeline for remaining Open House modules, draft EA and formal EA submission.

3. What's happening at the Open House sessions in Kirkland Lake and New Liskeard

Chris pointed out to everyone that on the Traffic Summary (to be provided at Open House) mention of no truck traffic on Main Street (which has been a bone of contention) should be specifically pointed out to the public

Todd asked what might produce noise from the facility

Danny responded that some of the process equipment such as the ID fan would produce a noise

Carey pointed out that the noise (or acoustic) impact study is in very early draft so it was not ready to print in full, but it will be made available later.

4. Trips to RSI for Virginia, Ken and Daryl

Danny says he will be in Quebec between June 21-23 so perhaps a weekend visit to RSI is possible.

Daryl and Ken need to fill out appropriate forms with the MOE to travel outside of province – will look into it.

Virginia is good with the dates.

5. Closing Questions or Points of Discussion

Daryl let us know he will be unavailable during August. He also pointed out that the CAC is not very visible to the public and perhaps the CAC would consider advertising their meetings and inviting the public in.

All agreed we could certainly entertain that idea.

Sandy announced that she will be stepping down from the CAC due to increased time restraints.

Outside the meeting Tom announced that he would be stepping down as well, for similar reasons.

These announcements prompt the search for at least two new CAC members. Agreed that work should go towards planning how to advertise for such a position and again how to make the CAC more visible to the public.

Next Meeting: To be scheduled in proximity to Open House Module II.