

MINUTES

BOARD OF BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Special Board Meeting
April 20, 2011, 9:00 a.m.
Benton County Justice Center, Kennewick, WA

Present: Chairman Leo Bowman
Commissioner Shon Small
Commissioner Jim Beaver
County Administrator David Sparks
Clerk of the Board Cami McKenzie

Benton County Employees Present During All or a Portion of the Meeting: Sustainable Development Manager Adam Fyall; DPA Ryan Brown; Susan Walker, Planning; Finance Manager Keith Mercer; Nick Kooiker, Treasurer's Office; Planning Manager Mike Shuttleworth.

Hanford Communities – 2010 Annual Report

Pamela Brown-Larsen gave the annual report and briefly discussed the following issues:

- Ecology Contract
- Public Education Programs
- Annual Meetings w/Congressman Hastings, Barb Lisk, site managers, and Deputy Secretary of Energy
- Current Hanford Topics
 - Stimulus Money
 - 2015 Vision
 - Tank Farm Operations
 - Groundwater Cleanup
 - Waste Treatment Plant/Plutonium Finishing Plant
 - TRU Retrievals
 - Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility – ERDF
 - Burial grounds south of FFTF
 - Hanford Tank Closure and Waste Management EIS
 - K Reactors/300 Area
- Advocacy Issues for Local Concern
 - TRIDEC – Energy Park
 - Heritage Tourism and B Reactor Preservation
 - Coordination w/State/EPA/Congress/DOE
- 2011 Goals/Schedule

Hanford Advisory Board Annual Report

Maynard Plahuta and Larry Lockrem gave the annual report and briefly discussed the following issues:

- Tank Waste Committee
 - Garnet Cutting
 - Alternate Waste Forms
 - Tank Closure/Tank Removal
 - DOE Order 435.1 – Waste Incidental to Reprocessing
- Sludge in K-West (problem w/shortfall funding)
- Solid waste burial grounds
- Beryllium Issues
- B Reactor System
- Tourism/Education – Heritage Foundation

Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plants

Richard Kachich gave a Powerpoint/Video presentation on the production and construction of the VIT Plant. The Powerpoint included the following information:

- Total project at 58% complete
- Pretreatment Facility
- High Level Waste Vitrification Facility
- Low Level Waste Vitrification Facility
- Analytical Lab and Supporting Facilities
- Schedule for completion 3/6/9 (design 2013; construction 2016; operations 2019)
- Training – Safety and Quality Culture
- Review Process
- Funding Profile/Budget
- Staffing Plan
- Money spent locally
- Building confidence

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Clerk of the Board

Chairman