

NEW JERSEY CLEAN AIR COUNCIL

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New Jersey Clean Air Council Meeting Record
Microsoft Teams Meeting

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

CALL TO ORDER Richard Opiekun opened the meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT All Council members were present.

ABSENT

EXCUSED Michael Egenton

REPRESENTED NOT APPLICABLE

GENERAL PUBLIC ATTENDEES

NJ DEP Staff Francis Steitz, Luis Lim, Peg Hanna and George Berdomas

Meeting Summary

- Richard Opiekun called the meeting to order at 9:30 am, and the roll was taken by George Berdomas.
- Francis Steitz gave the NJDEP administrative report.
 - What is the community theme? Public health impacts even though it was below the threshold. If it was in an Environmental Justice (EJ) area it would require additional information but at this time it does not.
 - Line Item 4 - Exceptional Demonstration for PM2.5 due to 2023 Wildfires.
 - Once public comment is closed in December, it will then go to EPA for further action.
 - What's been the impact this summer from wildfires?
 - Will have to look further into the data. If the wind is blowing wrong or right, you will get impacts out of a monitor. The only exceedance was on July 5th from fireworks.
 - Do we have any monitoring stations near the New York border or near the areas where the wildfires are affected?
 - Fort Lee had one of the high averages but will investigate it further for information.
- Luis Lim presented the updated Air Monitoring website.
 - Is the forecast always uniform?
 - There are some days where different areas can be green or yellow.
- Old Business/New Business
 - Old Business - Motion to approve prior meeting summary for October made by Leonard Bielory, seconded by Adam Neuman and no abstentions
 - New Business – N/A
- Discussion of Hearing Topic and Brochure
 - Finalize questions for brochure
 - Health
 - Affordability
 - Effectiveness
 - Needed Stakeholders
 - Climate Change
 - Impacts on Environmental Justice Communities
 - Contingency date(s) for public hearing – 4/9/24 week (T,W,Th) or 4/23/24 week (T,W,Th)
- Motion to adjourn at 11:49 a.m. made by Leonard Bielory, John Valeri seconded and no abstentions.