

DRAFT MINUTES
OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
OKLAHOMA HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY RESPONSE
COMMISSION
DEQ Multi-Purpose Room
November 8, 2005

Mr. Larry Gales, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Ms. Bruce called the roll. Members attending were: Larry Gales, Dale Magnin, Kary Cox and Mike Grimes. Member(s) absent: Robert Doke and Terry Bobo. Others present included: Monty Elder, Betty Reaties, Tom Bergman, Jami Murphy, Bob Rabatine, Angie Burckhalter, Donnie Wood, Myrna Bruce, and Christy Myers.

Mr. Gales called for a motion to approve the May 10, 2005 Minutes. Mr. Magnin made the motion and Mr. Cox made the second. With no discussion, the Minutes were unanimously approved.

Mr. Gales called upon Mr. Tom Bergman to discuss the Commission Status Reports. Mr. Bergman indicated a copy of the report. Ms. Jami Murphy provided the TRI Report stating it is also online.

Mr. Dale Magnin provided the OEM Update discussing LEPC grants, HMEP Training, upcoming meetings and conferences, and gave an update on Hurricane Katrina follow-up activities.

Mr. Gales called for an update on SARA Title III Report. Ms. Monty Elder provided the update and provided the Commission with a copy. She outlined DEQ's recommended changes to be proposed to the Ad Hoc Committee. Ms. Betty Reaties recommended that OHMERC go forward with the proposal as presented. Ms. Elder and Ms. Reaties fielded questions and comments.

Following discussion, Mr. Gales pointed out that at the last meeting, action was tabled on the Ad Hoc Committee recommendation. He called for a motion to bring the issue of changes to the Title III program back up for consideration. Mr. Cox made that motion and Major Grimes made the second followed by unanimous approval.

Mr. Gales then entertained a motion to formally send this issue including the changes discussed to the Environmental Quality Board for adoption. Major Grimes made the motion and Mr. Cox made the second.

Mr. Gales called Item 6B for approval of meeting dates for Calendar Year 2006. Major Grimes made motion to approve February 7, May 9, August 8, and November 28 as proposed. Mr. Magnin made the second.

Items for discussion included Ms. Murphy's presentation of the 2003 TRI Summary Report.

Ms. Elder informed the Commission of her experiences while deployed with FEMA to give assistance with public information as part of the response to Hurricane Katrina.

Further Roundtable discussion included information on Senate Bill 262 provided by Mr. Magnin. Ms. Murphy asked to be provided a copy of the bill for the newsletter. Mr. Cox brought up the need for an update regarding the distribution of and communication with Emergency Response trailers provided around the state.

Mr. Gales announced his retirement effective July 1 and the transitioning of his duties. Major Grimes announced that he would retire in May.

With no further discussion, Mr. Gales called for motion to adjourn which was made by Major Grimes and seconded by Mr. Cox. Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Attachments: SARA III data management reports
OEM status report
Proposed changes to SARA Title III Tier 2
Attendance Sheet