

BO-RIT CAG MEETING 10/6/10

SYNOPSIS

The Bo-Rit CAG held a meeting on October 6, 2010, at the Upper Dublin Township Building. Below is a synopsis of the discussion items.

1. At 6:40 Jim Feeney (EPA) began his presentation of the history of the South Ambler Piles located off Locust Street in Ambler Borough and Upper Dublin Township. He has had over 18 years of experience with this site, but did not become involved until after the decision of the remediation had been put into place. The piles have cinder walls, and the center is filled with asbestos slurry. Instead of installing an impermeable membrane, crushed stone was used on top of the centers of the piles to keep them moist. Drain pipes were installed to collect storm water and direct it into the Wissahickon Creek. The banks of the piles were armored with a concrete revetment to guard against creek erosion. In 1993 construction was completed and in 1996 the site was deleted from the Superfund List. In September of 2010, some repair work was necessary to the area around the revetment.

2. At 8:00 the minutes from the September 6, 2010 meeting were approved with one change.

3. A consensus of the Members was reached to incorporate certain proposed changes to the operating procedures in the Rules. These changes were outlined in a report to the Members at a previous meeting.

4. Rules Committee report addressed the need for a provision that an Alternate must be a representative of the stakeholder position of the Member. A suggestion was made that a formal process to appoint an Alternate should be outlined in the Rules. Additional issues presented for future discussion: vacant seats, attendance records for various stakeholder seats, consequences for excessive absences, reasons for absences and how can the CAG encourage better attendance. Further discussion of proposed rule changes concerning these various attendance issues is suggested.

5. A consensus of the Members was reached to allow the Meeting Minutes to be provided to Flo Wise's sister, Ruth, each month.

6. Future Use Group did not meet. A suggestion was made that the future plans for the site should be made an item for the Action List.

7. Community Awareness Group Report: Postcards prepared, business cards prepared, still awaiting information on the website and the possibility of an e-mail version of a future postcard to be e-mailed by Members to constituents. The group is requesting information for the next postcard.

8. HERS Group Report: Concern regarding the boundaries of contamination and the 100 year flood map.

9. Gordon Chase commented briefly on the Phase II Final Report. In his opinion it was highly comprehensive and detailed.

10. The meeting adjourned @ 9:20 p.m. Due to the lack of time, the Action Items List was not discussed.

11. Executive Session followed.