Minutes Fort McClellan Restoration Advisory Board Anniston City Meeting Center Anniston, AL

Monday, September 16, 2002

Submission to RAB for approval – minutes of meeting September 16, 2002

PRESENT:

Co-Chair: Glynn Ryan, Mary Harrington

Board Members: Scott Beckett, Pete Conroy, Barry Cox, Don Cunningham, Jerome

Elser, Curtis Franklin, James Buford, Monty Clendenin

BCT Members: Ron Levy, Doyle Brittain, Philip Stroud

JPA: Miki Schneider

A. CALL TO ORDER AND MINUTES

Dr. Harrington called the meeting to order, conducted roll call, and asked for guest introductions. The Board approved the minutes for the August meeting. Mr. Levy made a point of correction for the August transcript regarding organic chemical nomenclature.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Responses to Landfill EE/CA Public Comments

Mr. Ryan informed the RAB the Army is reviewing all public comments to the landfill EE/CA and will brief the RAB when responses are ready. In response to a previous request by Mayor Kimbrough that comments be provided to the RAB members, Mr. Ryan provided comments from EPA and ADEM to the RAB members and suggested that the RAB contact Ms. Miki Schneider for the JPA comments. Later in the meeting Mr. Conroy asked for clarification as to when the Army's responses to comments would be ready. Mr. Ryan replied he could not provide a date because the Army is addressing all comments from EPA, ADEM, and the public.

2. New Member Applications

Mrs. Brenda Cunningham informed the RAB that Mr. Hopper resigned; thus, there are now three vacancies on the RAB. Mrs. Cunningham provided the members a packet containing applications from eight persons interested in RAB membership and asked the members to review those applications. The RAB will vote on new members at the October meeting.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Election of Vice Chair

Mr. Beckett nominated Mr. Clendenin to serve as vice chair for the coming year. Mr. Franklin moved nominations be closed, it was seconded, and there were no objections. Therefore, Mr. Clendenin will serve as vice chair.

2. Ascension of Vice Chair to Chair

Mr. Buford and Mr. Clendenin motioned and seconded that Dr. Harrington ascend from vice chair to chair. The RAB members unanimously approved.

3. Agency Reports

ADEM – Mr. Stroud provided a list of reports that are under review at ADEM. He stated he attended a UXO forum this month. He also stated the landfill number 3 groundwater group met. They are trying to resolve issues related to groundwater and monitoring wells.

EPA – Mr. Brittain submitted to the RAB a list of documents EPA reviewed and submitted comments on since the last RAB meeting. Mr. Stroud stated EPA submits its comments to ADEM where they are reviewed, attached to the ADEM comments, and provided as one submission.

JPA – Ms. Schneider stated the JPA would send the RAB members the comments submitted by the JPA on the landfill EE/CA. She informed the group that the JPA, as a result of these comments, voted to pursue early transfer and privatization of the remainder of Fort McClellan, to include UXO areas. She reported on two other projects, the county convention center being considered by Parks and Recreation and that Hunjan will start operations in October.

4. UXO Basic Training Course

Mr. Levy informed the RAB about an unexploded ordnance (UXO) basic training course that is open to RAB members. The ITRC (Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council) funds the per diem and travel. Ms. Schneider attended a session and stated it was helpful and several of the RAB members expressed interest. Mr. Ryan asked that Mrs. Cunningham send the information on this course to the RAB members.

5. Action Summary Sheet

There were no questions from the RAB concerning the Summary.

6. Atropine Autoinjector

Mr. Conroy asked for information on a syringe that was found on Anniston Beach Road and expressed his concern that the syringe may relate to Army activity. There was discussion that the item was not found on Army property, was reported to the Anniston Police Department, is being investigated by the Anniston and Weaver Police Departments, and that the Army has not been contacted to assist in the investigation. Mr.

Levy explained the use of the atropine autoinjector and stated the investigation is underway. The Army would provide information when requested.

7. TRC Report

Mr. Conroy stated the Technical Review Committee had nothing to report.

8. TAPP Report

Mr. Grant stated he had not been given any new assignments. Mr. Levy reported there were 465 hours remaining in the contract as of last month, and Mr. Grant would be charging his attendance at RAB meetings against that. Mr. Levy stated that currently there are no documents ready for Mr. Grant's review.

D. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Dr. Harrington asked for audience comments, but there were none.

E. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business brought before the board, the meeting was adjourned.