

West Silver Valley Citizens Advisory Committee

The West Silver Valley Citizens Advisory Committee previously met on February 18, 2016 at the Panhandle Health Office, Kellogg, Idaho.

March 17, 2016
Pinehurst City Hall, Pinehurst

1. Introductions – In attendance were 11 residents; Sandy Podsaid, Kathy Bettigole, Steve Aubuchon, Sandy Lockhart, Carol Young, Karen Maravilla, Bob Launhardt, Bob Jutila, Cathleen Sanborn, Andy Helkey, and Nancie Burkhart. DEQ staff included Ralph Paul and Denna Grangaard.

2. Committee Business:

New Business – The application process for the new position has closed, DEQ hopes to have someone hired very soon.

It was reported the Page Repository is closed, due to lack of funds to man the site. We will need to explore some options, but Andy Helkey from Panhandle Health stated there may be some updates on the topic in the next few months.

Denna Grangaard reported Butte Montana is also doing a woodstove change out.

3. Action items:

Messaging – “Think about gathering firewood for next year, seasoned wood burns better and cleaner”.

BURN DAYS – Air Quality Monitoring, It’s important to check PRIOR to burning!

4. Topic Discussion: Section 172(c) of the Clean Air Act -

This section of the Clean Air Act requires states with nonattainment areas to submit State Implementation Plans (SIPS) implementing emission controls that are economically and technologically feasible. “In general, such plan provisions shall provide for the implementation of all RACM as expeditiously as practicable.”

Ralph Paul gave us a REDUCTION STRATEGIES form, which the group discussed. We then evaluated the strategies based on Environmental, Health, Economic, Social and Technological Feasibility. The group agreed the majority of the items were acceptable.

5. Next meeting – April 21, 2016 from 6-7pm at The Panhandle Health Office, Kellogg, ID

Meeting adjourned.