

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE/ BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, April13, 2016
WEST HILLS HOSPITAL

CALL TO ORDER: Steve Randall called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE: Steve Randall, Alec Uzemeck, Char Rothstein, Marge Brown, Reeyan Raynes, Bonnie Klea, Simone Best, Barry Seybert, Brad Vanderhoof.

MINUTES: A quorum was present, and the members approved the minutes for the March 9, 2016 meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE CO CHAIRS: Steve and others mentioned that over forty people at Porter Ranch and some surrounding areas smelled methane gas presumably coming from Aliso Canyon. Marge will continue to monitor the situation at Aliso Canyon and Porter Ranch.

Discussion of Dayton Canyon brought up the name of Al Knight an archeologist who has considerable knowledge of that site. Alec said that he would invite Al to come to speak to the Committee.

Alec said that the American Jewish University response to claims of contamination of Brandeis-Bardin was published and posted on their website.

AGENDA DISCUSSION ITEMS: Simone introduced a request for support on Council File 15-0002-S142, which is a city resolution advocating state legislative action to increase the regulatory power to be administered by the Dept. of Gas and Geothermal Regulation. This department oversees such sites and activities as Aliso Canyon, which had a major well failure. The Committee approved the request for support and the item will be passed to the Council for approval of a resolution to the City Council..

The matter of air sampling in West Hills was discussed which would provide testing for harmful matter. This continues to be important since the development and remediation activity in the area raise dust and diesel fumes and, which may threaten the health of residents. The Committee concluded that Steve and Alec should write a letter to Councilman Englander requesting a meeting to discuss the air sampling issue.

Bonnie is following contamination at Corporate Pointe and she expects an update report within a week.

The court decision and subsequent meetings have not resulted in any new action for the Lederer property.

It was said that the water Board is involved with the Aliso Canyon site and is requiring testing to examine the aquifer at that location.

The meeting was adjourned.

