

West Silver Valley Citizens Advisory Committee

The West Silver Valley Citizens Advisory Committee met on July 16th at the Panhandle Health District office in Kellogg. In attendance were 2 local residents. The meeting began with Ralph Paul informing the group that 20 “No Idling” signs had been obtained and were available to be put up. The group then discussed the Business Expo Booth experience and meetings with the Fire Chiefs and County Commissioners. Ralph also informed the group that a wood stove survey was being developed by Boise State. The survey would likely be conducted in September/October time frame.

Agenda July 16

1. **Introductions** – In attendance for the July 16th meeting were Andy Helkey, Carol Young: DEQ staff Mark Boyle, Ralph Paul and Mike Edwards, SIP Coordinator from the Program Office.
2. **Committee Business**
 - New Business – No Idling signs** – Ralph Paul announced that he had obtained 20 “No Idling” signs. He will send out an email to the rest of the group informing them of the availability of the signs and enlist volunteers to find place to put them up. Examples of the signs were left at the PH Health’s office for the group to inspect.
3. **Action Items**
 - **Expo Booth experience** – Mark Boyle and Carol Young participated in the Expo Booth and indicated that it was a good experience for the group and generated contacts and inquiries from the surrounding community.
 - **Meetings - Fire Chiefs** – Cathleen Sanborn and Ralph Paul attended the meeting. The fire officials were informed of the group’s desire to have year round permitting for open burning. Discussion ensued and the fire officials decided to table the discussion for the time being and discuss it among themselves and inform missing members about it.
County Commission – Group members attended a meeting with the commissioners to inform them of the meeting with the fire officials and to discuss open burning ordinances for the County. The group was asked to provide some example ordinances to further the discussion along.
 - **Wood Stove Survey** – The group was informed that Boise State University would be preparing a wood stove survey for the valley. The survey would be developed over the summer and then conducted in the early fall.
4. **Topic Discussion**
 - **Outdoor open burning** – Erin Law, USFS, MT/ID Airshed Group Coordinator agreed to speak to the group about how the MT/ID Airshed Group functions at the August meeting. Her talk may have to be rescheduled if she gets called for wildfire duty.

- Outreach and education
 - Continued discussion – No additional discussions occurred during the meeting.

- 5. Comments – Carol Young inquired if the group was going to have a booth at Pinehurst Days. An email will be sent out to the group to requesting volunteers. She also inquired whether the group was proceeding on schedule. Mark, Mike and Ralph had been working on a timeline and will share it with the group.

- 6. Next meeting – August 20th 6 - 7 PM.
Pinehurst City Hall

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