

**FMC MIDDLEPORT  
COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL  
MEETING SUMMARY  
9-19-07**

**Community Members Presents:** Lisa Allen, Brian Wollenberg, Christa Lutz, Larry Lutz, Dick Owen, Dick Westcott

**FMC Representatives Present:** Dana Thompson, Debbie Overkamp

**Agency Representative:** Mike Hinton

**Facilitator:** Ann Howard

Ann Howard opened the meeting at 6:05. The agenda for this meeting included a discussion of the Community Input Group process, preparation for the October 1 meeting, and a review of CAP activities for the remainder of 2007.

CAP members noted a number of changes to the June meeting summary. Ann will correct and bring the revision to the next meeting.

**FEEDBACK ON COMMUNITY INPUT GROUP (CIG)**

CAP member observed that the CIG process is going fairly well, however some felt that it often appears that each step forward is followed by three steps backward. Members also observed that because of their long-term involvement with FMC many CAP members are often ahead of others in their understanding of the issues and problems. CAP members noted that many in the Village forget that FMC is an active business and that most people in the community are unaware of other FMC activities outside of the environmental issues. Some members noted that they are hard pressed to speak effectively about the positive things happening at the plant because the environmental remediation program eclipses everything. Another issue raised was the problem of the perception of Middleport having serious health problems associated with the environmental problems; it was noted that this is especially a problem with area real estate agents.

**FMC UPDATE**

Dana Thompson reported FMC donated a gift basket for the library silent auction. In addition, FMC has agreed to house four antique rail cars on site for the Medina Railroad Museum.

There have been several safety and emergency preparedness training sessions at the plant. The plant successfully completed its ISO 9000 audit; this certification addresses quality assurances and this is especially important to FMC's customers.

There has been a re-organization of the plant management; some positions have been eliminated and more responsibility now lies with the supervisors. Dana feels these changes will facilitate the potential for increased plant production in the future.

Business at the plant was very strong through August and there has been more production than anticipated and it is likely the plant will end the year with more volume than budgeted.

Dana reviewed the environmental activities. These activities have been previously reported at Community Input Group meetings and included work on the Coe property, Culvert 105 by Margaret Droman Park, FMC's north railroad property, and P-Block. Dana also summarized work on the proposed Corrective Action Management Unit (CAMU)

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next CAP meeting will be Wednesday, November 14. The agenda will include planning for CAP meetings in 2008 and a discussion on membership needs.