

**FMC MIDDLEPORT
COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL
MEETING SUMMARY**

6-7-06

Community Members Presents: Barb Albone, Christa Lutz, Larry Lutz, Rebecca Schweigert, John Shuttleworth, Dick Westcott

FMC Representatives Present: Patt Fagan, Glen White

Agency Representative: Mike Hinton – NYS DEC

Facilitator: Ann Howard

Ann Howard opened the meeting at 6:00. The proposed agenda for this meeting included reviewing the CAP newsletter, a discussion of the proposed meeting with Agency representatives, and planning for the plant open house.

VAPOR INTRUSION TESTING RESULTS – ROY-HART SCHOOL BOARD

Glen White reported that the School Board held a workshop session earlier that evening to discuss the results of vapor intrusion testing within the high school. Test results showed no problems in the school and no “imminent danger or immediate health hazards.” A full board meeting was scheduled for 7 PM at the High School. (Copies of an article from the June 7 Lockport Union-Sun and Journal were distributed to CAP members.)

The four agencies involved (the State Health Department, Department of Labor, Department of Education, and the Environmental Protection Agency) are requiring ongoing monitoring as a follow up to the testing.

REVIEW DRAFT CAP NEWSLETTER

The CAP reviewed and approved the draft of the June issue of the CAP newsletter. For the September newsletter, tentative articles will include an update on the proposed agency meeting and a profile on Lisa. The final articles will be planned at the September CAP meeting.

PROPOSED MEETING WITH AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES

Mike Hinton reported that representatives from EPA, DEC and the NYS Department of Health would still be available to meet with the CAP when public meetings regarding the air deposition study and the vapor intrusion study are scheduled. Ann reported that Pat Cousins, representing the MRAG, indicated that the MRAG would be interested in participating in this meeting.

PLANT OPEN HOUSE – OCTOBER 21, 11AM -2PM

Patt Fagan provided suggestions on several children’s activities for the Open House. Christa, Barb and Rebecca volunteered to assist with these activities. Larry volunteered to help with cooking.

Other suggestions included providing “walk-a-ways” with the CAP logo and FMC logo. Patt will investigate. T-shirts will be provided for CAP volunteers. Rebecca agreed to speak with the police chief regarding participation and Dick volunteered to speak with the fire department.

FMC UPDATE

Patt Fagan reported that Brian Vain was in New York City, meeting with agency representatives and FMC corporate representatives to discuss the proposed schedule for the remediation activities. FMC is advocating for an expedited schedule.

Six new wells will be installed to supplement the vapor intrusion study. These wells are just “added insurance” and are not because there are any remaining concerns. The report is pending on the

bioavailability study. The phytoremediation project has been approved, but may or may not be implemented this year due to scheduling and the growing season.

John Shuttleworth reported that the 3ME project is moving forward. There have been some design changes, but there is still hope to initiate production by September.

Four new hires have been added to the plant workforce. There will be a need for additional operators for the COMMAND operations. A two-week maintenance shut down will probably be scheduled in late summer. There has been a lot of construction at the plant due to the demands of new operations. A new air stripper will be installed in the water treatment plant and other upgrades may also be undertaken.

OTHER BUSINESS

Rob Richards will be leaving the Middleport Police Department to take a position with the Niagara County Sheriff's Department. Patt will contact him to determine if he is still interested in serving on the CAP. A new Middleport Police Department representative will be recruited.

CAP SCHEDULE

It was agreed that fall meetings should be re-scheduled because of Labor Day and new school year conflicts in September and the Open house in October. It was agreed to hold the September meeting on the 20th and the October meeting on October 18.

NEXT MEETING

THE NEXT CAP MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20. THE PROPOSED AGENDA INCLUDES A DISCUSSION OF THE SEPTEMBER CAP NEWSLETTER, PLANNING FOR THE OCTOBER 21 OPEN HOUSE, AND A REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP NEEDS.