

Chester County Pipeline Safety Advisory Board

Thursday, July 28, 2022

Meeting Minutes

1. Called Meeting to Order

- Vice Chair Fleming called the meeting to order. Mike Groover, Deputy Director for EMA assisting in running the meeting.

Action Item: Prepare for discussion/election for a new chair at the next meeting on October 28, 2022

2. Public Comment on Agenda

- Vice Chair Fleming asked if there was public comment on the agenda items
 - There were no public comments

3. Member Introduction/Attendance

- Deputy Director Groover took attendance

4. Approval of the April 28, 2022 meeting minutes

- Bud Turner made a motion to approve the meeting minutes
- Director Brian O’Leary seconded the motion
- The motion was approved with no objections

5. Review Status of Action Items

- Deputy Director Groover reviewed the action items

6. Columbia Gas Transmission Pipeline Presentation

- The Emergency Preparedness Coordinator introduced himself as well as the Area Manager, and the Area Fuel Technician
- Vice Chair Fleming asked what the distance is between pipelines and valves in Chester County. Vice Chair Fleming also stated if there is a determination that valves need to be closed that this be done in a timely manner
- It was asked if the pipeline used cathodic protection. They asked if they check every sixty days. They also asked if they shut down that portion of that line when corrosion becomes an issue
- Don Herb asked what pressure the pipes run at and asked if there was a criteria for the system to automatically shut down a line due to a pressure drop. Don also asked if there was criteria for the workers at the operations center if they see a certain percentage drop in the line
- It was asked what their LEL percentage was

7. Standing Committee Briefings (if applicable)

- Vice Chair Fleming asked if there were any standing committee briefings

8. Overview of PSAB Website Uploads

- A Philadelphia Inquirer article was posted to the PSAB members area website
- The link for the county RFP was posted to the PSAB members area website

9. Board Open Discussion

- Vice Chair Fleming noted about the election of a Chair of the group. Dr. Fleming then asked the group if they were okay with having someone within DES he deals with this on a frequent basis. No feedback was received
- Don Herb asked if there was a status on the RFP review. Don Herb then asked what the reason for limiting the scope for the two NGL pipelines in Chester County

10. Public Comments

- There was no public comment

11. Meeting Adjournment

- Director Brian O'Leary made a motion to adjourn
- Don Herb Seconded the motion
- The motion was approved with no objections
- The meeting was adjourned