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The special meeting of the *OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY* will be held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 2:30 pm via video conference.

The meeting will be conducted in accordance with open meeting laws within the State of Ohio. During the current state of emergency and to protect employees, partners and the public, the Authority is offering video conference access and a call line as an option to attend the meeting remotely. To help ensure capacity on this conference line, please RSVP to info@aqda.state.oh.us with your interest to participate.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2020

AGENDA

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1. Call to Order Chairman
2. Roll Call Chairman
3. Motion to enter Executive Session Chairman

Motion to enter Executive Session for a conference with attorneys for the Authority concerning pending court action involving the Authority.

4. Adjourn Executive Session
5. Adjournment

OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The special meeting of the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (“Authority”) was held remotely, on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 2:30 pm.

As authorized through House Bill 197 as passed by the General Assembly and signed into law by Governor DeWine, the Authority conducted this meeting using online videoconferencing technology via Microsoft Teams in order to protect the public during the declaration of an emergency related to COVID-19 pandemic. A telephone number and videoconference link to the meeting was published on the Authority’s website and distributed to persons of interest prior to the meeting and in compliance with Open Meeting Laws.

These are the minutes of the meeting.

The following members were present:

Jim Simon, Chairman
Michael Keenan, Vice Chairman
Michael Curtin
Ted Celeste
Cara Dingus Brook

Ex-Officio members present:

Gene Phillips, Ohio Department of Health

The following members were absent:

Ex-officio members absent:

Laura Factor, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Staff present:

Brooke Grant, Interim Executive Director
Sandra Langston, Administrative Manager
Gabe Lorenz, Customer Service Coordinator

General Counsel:

Thad Boggs, Frost Brown Todd
Steve Smith, Frost Brown Todd

Guests present:

There were no guests present at the meeting.

This meeting of the Authority has been duly posted and given to all news media, organizations and other persons who requested such information in accordance and in full compliance with Chapter 3706-1 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:38 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone.

2. Roll Call

Chairman

The Chairman noted the meeting was being conducted through Microsoft Teams videoconferencing, in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and the administrative rules of the Authority.

Ms. Sandra Langston called the Roll:

Mr. Simon – Yea
Mr. Keenan - Yea
Mr. Celeste - Yea
Mr. Curtin – absent
Ms. Dingus Brook – Yea
Mr. Phillips – Yea
Ms. Factor - absent

General Counsel confirmed compliance with the Open Meetings Act, that a quorum of five members was present, and that it remained an open, public meeting. General Counsel confirmed that the meeting was fully in compliance with state law including House Bill 197. He stated that the Governor signed into law emergency legislation extending the authorization to hold virtual meetings through June 2021.

Mr. Curtin joined the meeting at 2:42 p.m.

3. Motion to enter Executive Session

Chairman

Motion to enter Executive Session for a conference with attorneys for the Authority concerning pending court action involving the Authority.

Chairman Simon asked for a motion to go into executive session for a conference with attorneys for the Authority concerning pending court action involving the Authority.

Mr. Celeste moved to enter Executive Session at 2:44 p.m. Mr. Curtin seconded.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Simon – Yes
Mr. Keenan - Yes
Mr. Celeste - Yes
Mr. Curtin – Yes
Ms. Dingus Brook – Yes
Mr. Phillips – Yes

Chairman Simon stated that the Authority would be moving into executive session. He asked everyone except the Interim Executive Director and general counsel to exit the meeting.

4. Adjourn Executive Session

Chairman Simon called the meeting back to order in open session at 4:04 p.m.

5. Motion

Chairman Simon asked for a motion to engage Frost Brown Todd as legal counsel for the pending litigation brought by the Attorney General, as well as other House Bill 6 litigation that the Authority may be brought into or seek to intervene into.

Ms. Dingus Brook moved. Mr. Keenan seconded.

6. Adjournment

Chairman Simon noted that the next regularly scheduled meeting on December 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. will include an executive session for the purposes of discussing pending litigation with legal counsel. He stated that other regular business items would be included on the agenda prior to executive session, and that if there was anything that came up in the ensuing weeks that required a meeting it would be done as expeditiously as possible.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

The regular meeting of the *OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY* will be held remotely on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 10:00am via video conferencing through Microsoft Teams.