

COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
Brownfields Redevelopment
Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 14, 2014 (12:05 pm)

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- I. Welcome**
Kimberly Wasserman – Chairman, EJ Commission
- II. Introductions**
A. Teleconference
- Kim Wasserman, LVEJO
 - Ken Page, IEPA
 - Chris Pressnall, IEPA
 - Sharonda Williams, IEPA
 - Jerry Mead-Lucero- PERRO
 - Alec Messina, IERG
 - Keith Harley, CLC
 - Mary McDonald, IEPA
 - Millard Driskell, MWPHGLIL
 - Cheryl Johnson, PCR
- III. Approval of Agenda**
Motion- Driskell
Second- Mead-Lucero
Motion Carried
- IV. Approval of Minutes**
A. March 12, 2014.
Motion- Wasserman
Second- Page
Motion Carried
- V. Old Business**
A. Brownfields Funding
- **MBRG (Municipal Brownfields Redevelopment Grant)**
 - **RLF (Revolving Loan Fund)**
 - **Mead-Lucero – How do we launch redevelopment when there is not a private entity?**

- **Mead-Lucero – look at other state to see how they are dealing with this issue (New York)**
- **Harley – A staff person from JP Morgan Chase will be working with him and the Chicago Legal Clinic on Brownfields Funding. This will be pro bono work to the Chicago Legal Clinic. The results of this work will be shared with the Commission.**
- **Messina – How do we address the ownership of Brownfields? How will community groups develop relationships with Brownfield owners?**

B. Brownfields outreach/education

- **Will be put on the back burner for now.**
- **Mead-Lucero – this was discussed at the last meeting by Dr. Washington and we should have her to discuss what she wanted.**

C. State agency web portal

- **Presented by Sharonda Williams and Cheryl Johnson**
Land Issues Web Portal

Utilize U.S. EPA’s MyMaps tool as the primary mapping tool for the web portal. (reached out to Lara Lasky to see if this was possible)

Include Basic Information about Brownfields, Superfunds, LUST, Landfills etc in Illinois

Include Basic Information about Cleanups (IEPA and U.S. EPA have good resources)

State law information (How are these sites regulated under Illinois law)

Resource Center

Jobs and Internships

Brownfields Redevelopment Financing Information

Information on Elected Officials that sit on committees that deal with relevant land issues

Public Health and Safety Information

Examples of a land issue that turned into a success story in Illinois. (Brownfield redevelopment, Superfund site redevelopment etc.)

VI. Discussions/Presentations:

- **2014 State Ethics training** – This training is for non-state Agency Commissioners (see attachment). Non-state agency Commissioners will review the training and sign the acknowledgement and submit a copy to ken Page and Jill Johnson of the IEPA.

VII. Next meeting date and location

- **Full meeting of the EJ Commission on Wednesday, June 18, 2014**

VIII. Adjournment

12:40 pm