

AML ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes
Semi-Annual Meeting
May 22, 2013

A regular meeting of the AML Advisory Committee was called to order at the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy Office, Big Stone Gap, VA at 9:30 a.m.

Present: Jerry Baird, Chairman, citizen; Glenn Graham, Citizen; Phil Shelton, Citizen; Eddie Hannah, Lonesome Pine Soil and Water; Martha Podren, TVA; Randy Casey, Richard Davis, Becky Sanders, Jeff Kite, Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy.

Absent: Ian Dye, Office of Surface Mining; Jeff Jones, NRCS;

Minutes were transcribed by Becky Sanders.

Jerry Baird presided. Jerry opened the meeting with a discussion of the minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes of the September 12, 2012, minutes were approved with one correction noted; Butch Lambert's title should read "DMME Deputy Director".

DMLR Program Update – Richard Davis

Butch Lambert, DMME Deputy Director was unable to attend. AML Advisory Committee members were invited to attend a site visit and a complimentary lunch, following the business meeting, to view acid mine drainage remediation projects in the North Fork Powell area near the St. Charles community.

DMME/DMLR received an AML grant this year of \$9.8 million which is 90% of the projected Federal funding. DMLR Title 5 has been working under a 3 month continuation, however was notified last week that they would receive their funding.

AML has funded \$4.5 million on several municipal water projects. The Norton Highwall Project has finally begun to move forward; HUD is in the process of releasing 5 acres to the City of Norton; the bidding process could begin as early as mid summer; \$3 million has been budgeted for this project.

Please note - The recording device failed during the meeting, the business meeting concluded at 11:20 a.m. Participants then traveled to AMD treatment sites in Lee County for a field tour.



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