

Omya Community Issue Team August 25, 2016 Meeting Meeting Summary

Location: Omya Verpol Plant

Date: August 25, 2016

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Meeting Attendees:

Bonnie Stewart – Pittsford resident
Butch Shaw – Florence resident and State Representative
Howard Banow – Pittsford resident
John Haverstock – Pittsford Town Manager
Jon Keith – Pittsford resident and local business owner
Peg Flory – Pittsford Resident and State Senator
Sharon Carpenter – Florence resident
Wayne Wilmans – Plant Manager, Omya
Dennis Carroll – Safety Environmental Manager, Omya
John Schell – Assistant Plant Manager, Omya
Mike Laurent – Pre-Grind Area Manager, Omya
Heather Fowler – Safety, Environment & Quality Coordinator, Omya

Absent:

Bev Peterson – Florence resident
David Markowski – Florence resident
David Mills – Local resident & VP of Pittsford Planning Commission
John Lapre – Florence resident

I. Welcome

Wayne Wilmans welcomed team members. The evening's agenda was reviewed and May's meeting minutes were accepted as published.

In a brief business activity update, Wayne noted the following:

- We have seen steady business activity YTD and a healthy product demand from our customers.
- Team members
 - We have not added any new team members. Wayne contacted Shawn Good to join the team. After consideration, he respectfully declined due to time restraints.
- Personnel
 - Omya employee numbers remain the same (approximately 130 employees at the plant).
 - Do not anticipate any big changes; will be replacing those folks retiring next year.
- Capital Investments
 - Not adding any new equipment or processes this year instead focusing on infrastructure (roof, etc.).
- Community Update & Upcoming Activities
 - Mountain Top Employee Summer Event – August 28
 - Middlebury Quarry Open House – September 10
 - United Way Employee Luncheon – October 5
 - Flu Clinic & Biometric Screening [Employee/Spouses] – October 12
 - Holiday Party & Service Awards @ Brandon Inn – December 3

II. Progress Report

Noise

Omya had one noise complaint in August. We believe it is due to a back-up alarm and are currently investigating. The dB continues to be below permitted levels.

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Lost Trucks

- There has been an increase in lost trucks from 2015 to 2016.
- Omya continues to focus on trucks coming into the plant on posted roads.
- Omya continues to send letters & invoices to customers and carriers.
- Omya continues to contract with the Pittsford Police and Rutland Sheriff's departments to patrol roads on Whipple Hollow Road and West Creek Road.
- Omya added a new 'Omya' sign at the front entrance of the property.
- Proctor Town signs have been taken down and new regulated signs are ready to be installed this fall.

Odor

- No odor concerns reported year to date.

Vibrations

- Nothing new to report.

LNG

- Nothing new to report.

Hogback Quarry Permit Amendment (Act 250)

- The permit has been issued.

Quarry Vehicle Washing Stations

- At the Hogback Quarry loads from the quarry to the plant and municipal aggregate trucks are not covered. There is a spray/hosing station to wet down loads to help keep dust down.
- At the Middlebury Quarry there is a truck washing station.
- Omya has an onsite water truck. Casella's waters the onsite Verpol roads and the Hogback Quarry haul road daily at the end of the hauling day. On occasion, they do water on Whipple Hollow and Fire Hill Road if the tracking is significant but this is not done daily as there is a liability issue with any watering, sweeping or plowing/sanding on the public road between our entrances and the train trestle.

Forest Management – potential logging project

- The proposed cut would create less canopy to allow for future healthy forest growth. This would not be a clear cut.
- Noise modeling is being conducted to forecast if the project will have any noise impacts.

III. New Ideas / Topics

- Route 7 road work beginning next summer. This will impact traffic on route 7 including the Omya contracted feed stone haul trucks and finish product carrier trucks. Alternate roads will be available to all traffic.

IV. Next Steps (Action Items)

V. Wrap-Up

- The date for the next Issue Team meeting is **Thursday, November 10, 2016** at Omya's Verpol Plant in Florence from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.