

Tonawanda Coke Soil Study
Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
April 17 2019

In Attendance

- Dr. Joe Gardella (JG-UB)
- Dr. Tammy Millilo (TM-UB)
- Rich Mpelezos (RM-Buf Resident)
- Anne Bazinet (AB-ToT Resident)
- Dave Gardner (DG-ToT Resident)
- Laura Beth Hare (LBH-UB)

Absent

- Dr. Mike Milligan (MM-FRED)
- Kattie Little (KL-UB)
- SallyJo Robins (SR-ToT Resident)
- Jay Farqueson (JF-GI Resident)
- Jeanine Justen (JJ-GI Resident)
- Sue Mazur (SM-ToT Resident)

Probation Update

TCC probation is over at this time, items no longer have to go through the probation office.

Tammy has completed a FOIA request for the information concerning the third party consultant used in Tonawanda but has not received a response (2 days remain).

March Minutes

March minutes are approved

There is a past minutes folder if anyone is interested.

Lab Visit

If anyone missed the tour of Dr. Gardella's facilities at UB during the March CAC meeting they are encouraged to contact him via email to schedule a time to make it up if desired.

Phase 2 Update

Tammy: tested for 96 contaminants, have finished the maps, and some spots have elevated levels that are still below the action level. she needs to be sure Joe gets the maps

Joe: will be able to justify a second investigation, levels at TCC doesn't move right next door so need to consider how contaminants are deposited. Evidence of levels exist mostly in expected concentrations except in Grand Island which had levels lower than anticipated.

School Concerns

The soil study did investigate at the location where Tonawanda wants to centralize its schools and levels were clean. All school information has been made available to the public.

Source Apportionment

There has been some delay in this process due to instrumentation issues, things are underway now and there will hopefully be an update at the May CAC meeting.

Air Sampling

Mike couldn't make it to this meeting and so we will table this discussion until May.

Joe: there is an air monitoring station on Grand Island that was not previously considered and levels of benzene were able to be compared before and after TCC shut down indicating the amount they were contributing.

There is an air sample from TCC that was taken and sent out for processing but has not yet had data returned

Talks with Tammy

Talks with Tammy at the Panera Bread on Sheridan are being scheduled again. Dates are posted on our facebook page "Friends of the Tonawanda Coke Soil Study."

The last Talk with Tammy did have a couple people turn out who asked good questions and chatted with us for the better part of an hour. Future ones are being advertised better in advance so hopefully turnout will increase.