

Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2017

Via Webinar and in person at Ohio EPA CO hosted by Ohio EPA/OCAPP, Central Office, Columbus

CAP members	Present: Dan Sowry (in person), Todd Nein (in person)
	Absent: Ty Baker-Baumann, Jeffrey Morris, Kara Allison, John Pierko

Non-member participants: Mike Kelly (in person), Brent Goetz (in person), Renee Navarre (call in), Ben Stratton
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Roll Call: Brent opened the meeting at 10 a.m. followed by introductions and roll call.

Welcome and announcements: Brent kicked off the meeting by welcoming those who attended in person as well as those who joined by phone. This meeting was to be an informational meeting for the CAP to highlight other programs in the agency that are currently being used or may be able to be used in the future to better help OCAPP serve Ohio's businesses.

Office of Environmental Education Presentation:

Carolyn Watkins, Chief of Ohio EPA's Office of Environmental Education (OEE) presented their many grant opportunities, including Diesel Emission Reduction Grants (DERG), Alternative Fuel Grant, and VW Mitigation Grants.

Important highlights

- The plan for how Ohio will spend the VW money will hopefully be released to the public shortly after Thanksgiving. The hope is to start spending the \$ the first part of 2018
- Under the VW grant program old engines/vehicles must be destroyed
- The Alternative Fuel Grant is \$5-million to be spent to replace update class 7-8 vehicles. This is a grant that that many small businesses may be able to take advantage of.
- The hope is to announce the AFV Grant mid-December with an 8-week period before applications are accepted. Applications will be reviewed to make sure they meet the qualifying criteria, those that do will be approved on a first come first serve basis until the \$5-million has been spent.
- This is a link to the [Office of Environmental Education](#) which has information on the grant opportunities discussed.

Recycling and Litter Prevention Grant Presentation:

Chet Chaney, Supervisor of Ohio EPA's Recycling and Litter Prevention Grant Program (RLPGP), presented the grant opportunities that their program offers. Many of their grants such as the market development grants are very applicable to Ohio's businesses.

Important highlights

- The Award deadline for RLPGP grant opportunities is February 2, 2018.
- Bill was very interested in the e-waste opportunities and Chet was going to follow up outside of the CAP meeting.
- This is a link to the [Recycling and Litter Prevention Grant Program](#) webpage along with more information on grant opportunities.

Office of Financial Assistance Presentation:

Jerry Rouch, Assistant Chief of the Office of Financial Assistance (OFA) presented the funding opportunities available through his office. OFA mostly provides funding to local and regional communities for drinking water and waste water infrastructure improvements, however there is money funneled through health departments for septic system improvements.

Important highlights

- While these grants may not tie directly to assisting businesses, they do create better drinking water and waste water infrastructure, which help create a community where business can operate more efficiently and possibly with reduced regulatory obligations in the drinking water and surface water programs.
- This is a link to the [Office of Financial Assistance](#), including information on their grant opportunities.

OCAPP Items

- Brent discussed OCAPPs new Auto Collision Repair Waste Characterization Worksheet and provided it to the CAP members and participants for their review and comment.
- Exciting news with progress in creating a network for CAPs in other states to communicate "CAP national". The National SBEAP is moving forward in creating a CAP national, starting with a list serve for CAP members and participants to communicate. Brent is requesting permission to provide the email address of any CAP participant who would like to be on the listserv.
- Meeting participation was discussed and Brent would like feedback from CAP members/participants regarding ideas for making participating easier/more desirable. One thing that was discussed was going back to the once per year in person meetings.

Agenda & Next Meeting:

CAP meetings will soon be scheduled for 2018 and will be available on [OCAPP's website](#).

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 12 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Brent Goetz, OCAPP Supervisor/CAP Secretariat