

NEW JERSEY NOISE CONTROL COUNCIL (NCC)
DECEMBER 9, 2014
MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES: Arnold Schmidt (Chairman, Public Member), Jerome Feder (Public Member, Secretary), Steven Szulecki (Public Member, Ecologist), Randy Hauser (Department of Labor), Carl Accettola (Public Member), Eric Zwerling (Director, Rutgers Noise Technical Assistance Center) and David Triggs (Department of Environmental Protection, Noise Control Council Liaison) **GUEST:** Joseph DiFillippo (Middlesex County Public Health Department). *It should be noted that due to inclement weather (Nor'easter), many members could not make the meeting*

I. MEETING MINUTES

The meeting minutes were not reviewed since the NCC did not have a quorum. Due to personal reasons, NCC Secretary Jerome Feder has requested to temporarily step down. As time and workload permits, David Triggs will continue to record the meeting minutes until a member of the NCC assumes the responsibility.

II. CHAIR REPORT

- Nothing reported

III. OLD BUSINESS

- *Council Member Appointment:* Although Joseph DiFillippo remains the primary candidate to replace John Surmay, any discussion was tabled until the next meeting.
- *Website Update Regarding Municipal Model Noise Ordinance (Model):* Changes were made to the Model and a letter was drafted based on language agreed upon by the NCC to send to municipalities regarding the change in the maximum penalty. The information was recently given to DEP's upper management for their review and approval.
- *Meadowlands Commission (MC) Noise Policy:* No update

IV. GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

- Eric Zwerling made additions/revisions to the "Measurement Duration (2-10-30)" and "C-scale" sections of the document. There was some discussion regarding the C-scale section since sound production devices are not only related to music.
- Jerome Feder felt that the use of "recreate, repose and converse" in the section regarding "Selection of Receptor Locations," reduces a complainant's protection. The NCC has already had extensive discussions regarding this and therefore felt that the wording was adequate and 65/50 standards were based on scientific evaluation, including federal studies.

V. PART 150 NOISE STUDY

Jerome Feder reported that a roundtable meeting with the Port Authority occurred on December 4th at Newark Liberty International Airport and both he and Joe Lepis attended. An aviation consultant with noise experience has tentatively been chosen to do separate noise studies for Teterboro and Newark airports based on 65 DNL.

VI. STAKEHOLDERS MEETING (EMERGENCY GENERATORS)

No date has been set although the regular June 9th NCC meeting seems to be the likely choice. A meeting place has not been confirmed.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- Chairman Schmidt handed out a meeting schedule for 2015. There were no comments. David Triggs will have the schedule posted on the NCC website.

VIII. AGENDA ITEMS NOT DISCUSSED

Bylaws review/revisions

League of Municipalities Atlantic City Convention

IX. NEXT MEETING

Weather permitting, the next meeting date is scheduled for January 13th

Respectfully submitted:

David E. Triggs, NJDEP, Liaison to the NCC