



# *County of Roanoke* **PIPELINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 23, 2015**

**Committee Members Present:**

Louise Garman (Catawba)  
A. J. Phillips (Sencontrology)  
Maurice Royster (Designee for Mountain Valley Pipeline)  
Roberta Bondurant (Windsor Hills)  
Sean Horne (Roanoke Regional Home Builders)  
Dan Miles (Roanoke Valley Resource Authority)  
Robert Guiles (Catawba Civic League)  
David C. Perry (Blue Ridge Land Conservancy)

**Committee Members Absent:**

Jim Woltz (Planning Commission)  
Keith Garman (Bradshaw Citizens Association)  
Joyce Waugh (Roanoke Regional Chamber)  
Steve Hanes (Bent Mountain/Preserve Roanoke)  
Gary Robertson (Western Virginia Water Authority)  
Max Beyer (Hollins)  
Deedie Kagey (Vinton)

**Staff Present:**

Richard Caywood, Assistant County Administrator  
Philip Thompson, Deputy Director of Planning  
Ruth Ellen Kuhnel, Senior Assistant County Attorney  
Amy Whitaker, Public Information Officer  
Susan McCoy, Recording Secretary

**Call to Order**

Mr. Caywood called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.

**Citizen Comments**

Ms. Grace Terry inquired if the Committee had access to the application and maps which were submitted with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Mr. Caywood stated the Committee has access to the information.

**Committee and Staff Comments**

Mr. Caywood provided a GIS (Geographical Information System) mapping update, noting the published detailed maps include access roads and archived maps of the changing routes. He reviewed the navigation of the maps. He stated the County has requested maps from Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) but has not received them. Ms. Bondurant inquired if MVP would provide the shape file. Mr. Royster stated he has discussed this issue with the team and is unsure when files will be provided.

Mr. Caywood stated the Board of Supervisors has authorized staff to file as an intervener. He discussed the role of the intervener, noting the County may be restricted regarding information they can share with the public. He stated filing as intervener will allow the County to gain legal standing. Ms. Kuhnel discussed the process, noting the County has retained outside counsel to assist with the process. She discussed issues regarding the Clean Water Act, abandonment of the pipeline, and the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit. She stated that when the County is granted intervener status, some information may be designated as privileged and not public. She stated Montgomery County has also filed for intervener status.

Mr. Caywood, Ms. Kuhnel, and the Committee discussed various sections of the application which may need to be revised or clarified. Mr. Guilles inquired about the timeframe regarding accepting or rejecting the application. Ms. Kuhnel discussed this issue. Mr. Caywood stated Roanoke Gas Company has filed to be an intervener. Mr. Perry stated that many entities which hold an interest in the pipeline will file for this designation. Mr. Horne stated the document should specifically request that the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) regulate erosion and sediment (E&S) issues and water quality actions. Mr. Caywood and Ms. Kuhnel discussed this issue. Ms. Kuhnel discussed the importance of filing the request and then begin collaborating resources with other localities in order to address specific issues. She discussed the importance of being judicious regarding issues which are pursued. Mr. Phillips, Mr. Caywood, and Ms. Kuhnel discussed sections of the document which were added per counsel and FERC. Mr. Caywood discussed the differences between an Environmental Analysis (EA) and Environmental Impact Study (EIS), noting the EIS is more detailed. Mr. Horne stated all wetlands have not been recorded. Ms. Kuhnel stated more detailed information will be submitted to FERC by the County in the future. Mr. Perry discussed E&S issues in other localities. Mr. Caywood discussed issues which may occur during the building process, noting the MS4 permit will provide the County additional leverage. Mr. Phillips stated reforestation is an issue especially regarding the viewshed. Mr. Caywood stated issues regarding temporary roads need to be addressed. Mr. Perry stated invasive species will take over the areas if left unattended. Mr. Caywood and the Committee discussed the importance of enforcement of regulations.

Mr. Perry and other Committee members thanked Mr. Caywood, Ms. Kuhnel, and other County staff member for assistance with pipeline issues.

Mr. Caywood and the Committee discussed future meetings. The consensus of the Committee was to conduct future Committee meetings as needed.

Ms. Kathy Chandler inquired about a road section on the MVP map. Mr. Caywood discussed this issue.

Ms. Rebecca Dameron stated according to the MVP map her property will be used as a work space. She inquired if that would be permitted. Mr. Caywood discussed this issue.

With no further business or comments, Mr. Perry adjourned the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Susan McCoy  
Recording Secretary, Roanoke County

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Richard Caywood  
Assistant County Administrator, Roanoke County

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David Perry  
Chairman, Roanoke County Pipeline Advisory Committee