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## LBUCC Meeting Minutes

CASCADE GRILL—ALBANY, OR

Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 12:00 PM—1:00 PM

### CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting was called to order by President Garry Black at 12:00 PM on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

### INTRODUCTIONS

- Members in Attendance
  - Jason Williams—NW Natural
  - Garry Black—City of Philomath
  - Whitney Craft—Consumers Power
  - Jeff Gill—City of Albany
  - Glen Freeman—Pioneer Connect
  - Andy Ridinger—City of Halsey
  - Billie Jones—City of Halsey
  - Tom Aldrich—Ferguson (R)
  - Scott Gallegos—State Council
  - Frank Frenzel—City of Lebanon (R)
  - Ron Wheeler—City of Corvallis
  - Lynn Detering—ODOT
  - Josh Thomas—State 811 Staff
  - Kitty O'Keefe—State Council

### REVIEW THE MINUTES

### MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

- Frank Frenzel motioned to approve March minutes
- Andy Ridinger seconded the motion
- March minutes were approved

### STAFF REPORTS:

#### TREASURER/SECRETARY REPORT-

- There is currently \$5,200 in the bank account as of the time of the meeting.
- Since the last meeting the council \$650 at the contractor's breakfast on 4/11.
- Future expenses include another \$1,150 for shirts and the winter contractor's breakfast.

#### P & E REPORT-

- Tom Aldrich said that he moved the 811 banners in Lebanon from in front of Panda Express to other areas that needed the signs.

#### DAMAGES REPORT-

- Jason Williams reported a few damages since the last meeting. The contractors working in Philomath had NW Natural lower the service and then the following week they clipped it while using a trackhoe.
- Stutzmans was helping a contractor and hooked a line while digging fence posts.
- Jason gave RJ Armstong a one hour training that covered digging rules and how to prevent damages.

## **STANDARDS REPORT-**

- Nothing to report for the Standards Report.

## **STATE REPORT-**

- Josh Thomas provided some history on the state board, there are 21 members on the board. The biggest expense is for the notification center. The board provides trainings for excavators.
- There are trainings through UTA on how to properly locate and use equipment.
- The state board uses Alpha Media to put out ads.
- There are 7 new rules changes that will be discussed at the next meeting. The two biggest being reducing ticket time from 45 days to 30 days and doing electronic white lining.
- There is \$1 billion dollars expecting to be put into broadband in the near future which will inevitably spike locate requests.
- Josh discussed rapid micro-trenching which is trenching 1 in under the service which can be done rapidly but also has many drawbacks.

## **DISCUSSIONS, MOTIONS, VOTES BASED ON REPORTS**

### **NEW BUSINESS (DISCUSSIONS, MOTIONS, VOTES)**

- Garry Black is going to check with Breck Morgan on his availability in October to cater the contractor's breakfast and Jason Williams will check with the gas company to make sure the facility is available.
- Events that the committee plans to attend this year:
  - Linn County Fair- July 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>. Jennifer Cable and her daughter would like to man the booth.
  - Harrisburg Harvest Festival- August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - National Night Out- Date TBD. Tom and Frank will man the booth.
  - Strawberry Parade- June 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Rollin Oldies
  - Halsey Safety Day- June 5<sup>th</sup>
- In the future whenever the committee orders shirts/sweatshirts, Jason Williams will drive to pick them up so the committee doesn't have to pay shipping fees.

### **OLD BUSINESS (DISCUSSIONS, MOTIONS, VOTES)**

- The contractor's breakfast on 4/11 had 96 attendees. It was very successful.
- Frank Frenzel looked into the details for hosting a golf tournament. The cost would be \$29 or \$35 per person for green fees and then \$16 for cart fees. The committee decided it would be too much of an undertaking for this year, but maybe something we will look into for future years.

### **UPCOMING PROJECTS**

- Nothing to report on Upcoming Projects.

### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

- Garry Black motioned to adjourn the meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at 1:07pm on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024.