

# **LUCC Meeting Minutes**

Date September 5, 2013

**Welcome** - Scott Higley, President.

**Self-Introductions** – Scott Higley, President.

**September 2013 Minutes Approved** – Scott Higley, President.  
No September minutes to approve.

**Treasurers Report** – Steve Parrot, Treasurer. The \$1000 check from OUCC was received and spent on advertising in the Lane County Tour of Homes.

**Publicity & Education** – Ted Jordan, Ted reports he likes to see the new faces at the monthly meetings. He would also like us to get the word about there are locators in and out of backyards all the time.

**Damage Report** – Brian Siria,  
No report for August.

**Web Page** – Debbie Jenkins, Minutes from august are approved but not on the website yet.

**Standards Review** – Question of the month: Can people refresh locates with the same color? **NO**  
3 recommended ways to refresh the locates: 1. White paint. 2. Offset markings. 3. Flagging.

**Old Business**  
None

**New Business** – Seaside Conference / OUNC Meeting is September 11. Locator training is being held October 8 & 9<sup>th</sup> in Pendleton, Excavation Law Training is being held December 11<sup>th</sup> at Oregon Gardens in Silverton. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Lane County is concerned about permit requirements around trenching along their roadways. Any questions about the permit requirements they should call Jim Franklin @ Lane County.

Lane County discussed two RAA's (Request for Administrative Action) recently heard by the PUC Enforcement Committee. A designated agent failed to mark UG facilities or notify the excavator that none existed. Although the two operators contend the violation was as a result of their designated agent, both operators in this case accepted responsibility. For each operator, a \$1000 penalty was recommended while suspending 80% providing no further violations for a period of one year. No training required.

EWEB discussed 2 RAA's recently heard by the PUC Enforcement Committee. A contractor digging out a driveway and sidewalk failed to wait the minimum 2 business days before excavating and on another incident, the same contractor was digging out a new residential home foundation and failed to give property notice of proposed work. The second violation was found to be intentional. Accumulatively, a \$6000 penalty was recommended while suspending 80% providing no further violations for a period of 2 years and completing OUNC training session.

Treasurer Steve Parrott requested to get a permanent PO Box for LUCC. It was voted on and passed.

**Program-** Guest speaker Jarrod Morrison from PGE. OUNC has two board positions open if anyone is interested – Gas Transmission and a Public Utility District positions. OUNC is the Oregon State agency that administers Oregon's excavation laws and the statewide toll free "one call" number – 811. The OUNC Board comprises of 20 members, all appointed by the Governor for a 4 year term. Each Board Member represents a specific industry segment. If anyone is interested in the two open Board positions, please contact Flo or Jarrod.

Jarrold announced that Jennifer Carter, Chair of the OUNC Board will be at LUCC meeting in October to discuss the changes, recommendations and clarifications of the Standard Manual.

We had a roundtable discussion about RAA's vs. Good Communication in trying to resolve an issue.

**Meeting Adjourned-** Scott Higley  
1:00 pm

**Next Meeting Topic:** Jennifer Carter, Chair of the OUNC Board will be at LUCC meeting in October to discuss the changes, recommendations and clarifications of the Standard Manual.