

# WASCO COUNTY UTILITIES COORDINATING COUNCIL

## MEETING MINUTES

July 15, 2014

8:00 a.m. @ Shari's Restaurant

### Attendance:

Jim Bailey	Wasco Electric Co-op
Scott Peters	ODOT
Arthur Smith	Wasco County Public Works
David Wilbern	The Dalles Irrigation District
John Walker	NW Natural
Troy Klein	NW Natural
Yogi Rattay	NW Natural
Sheri Clark	NW Natural
Ed Ortega	Northern Wasco County PUD
Greg Jensen	Crestline Construction
Dale McCabe	City of The Dalles Public Works
Brenda Huskey	City of The Dalles Public Works

The meeting was called to order at 8:09 a.m. by President, Ed Ortega.

### Minutes:

Minutes of the June 17, 2014 meeting were approved as submitted.

### Treasurer's Report:

Our ending balance last month was \$3,209.83. Arthur paid \$400.00 to the Fort Dalles Rodeo Association for advertising. Rage Graphics made us a 2' x 6' banner for a rodeo chute (to be billed separately) and the rodeo association will hang the banner on a chute plus announce 811 sound bites several times throughout the evening. Currently we have a balance of \$2,809.83.

### Damage Report:

There were no reported damages for June. Century Link was the only holdout.

### Old Business:

Arthur said we can have space for a booth in the commercial building at the Wasco County fair and a stand-alone booth is acceptable. Arthur and Dale will both be there for the entire fair so they will check on the booth from time to time to see how handouts and materials are holding up. Informational materials/handouts need to be ordered soon. If they need help with set up or take down, they can ask someone on the council to help. Arthur thought the OUNC has display booths we can borrow for events and Troy said to ask Don Patterson, he'll be able to locate one for us. Sheri will bring a price and pictures to our next meeting of a tablecloth we can purchase for tables we use at events.

Dale wondered if we could hang the banner from the Fort Dalles Rodeo on a rodeo chute at the Wasco County Fair and Arthur said he will ask Ken about that.

### **New Business:**

None.

### **Round Table:**

#### **Dale McCabe – City of The Dalles Public Works**

- ❖ The new transit center project is moving forward. Continue getting your facilities done even though we are not sure of the time frame yet because it is an LID project.
- ❖ The Chenowith Business Park is under construction and moving forward. The City is going to upsize the sanitary sewer and install a storm sewer on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from the far end of the cul-de-sac on 2<sup>nd</sup> all the way to Webber Street. The lift station will serve all of the Chenowith Business Park and WM3. Hopefully this project will start next spring. If you have anything on Second Street at this location, now would be a good time to upgrade for this big project.
- ❖ Grinding and overlaying 3<sup>rd</sup> Place from Trevitt to Lincoln changed to September. Three inches will be removed and ADA corner ramps and crosswalks will be brought into compliance. This project's timeframe was switched with the Cherry Heights project.
- ❖ A concrete bid is out that closes July 24<sup>th</sup> for sidewalks/ADA ramps at 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Trevitt to Lincoln.
- ❖ Slated for mid-August--profiling and paving Cherry Heights from the south side of 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 6<sup>th</sup> Street (travel lanes only). To be completed before school starts so switched with 3<sup>rd</sup> Place project.
- ❖ Sewer department is working on Bridge Street from 10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> for a line upgrade and 11<sup>th</sup> Street from Mt. Hood to Trevitt.
- ❖ Finished collection pond at Mark's Well (Skyline and Mt. Hood).

#### **David Wilbern – The Dalles Irrigation District**

- ❖ Pumping lots of water with one pump less this week.

#### **Greg Jensen – Crestline Construction**

- ❖ Started Indian Creek Pump Station.
- ❖ Still downtown Hood River doing sidewalks and cleanup. Paving will start after Labor Day.
- ❖ Have started the surge tank project at Sorosis Park for the City.
- ❖ Projects in the Chenowith Business Park and Google are still underway.
- ❖ Project on side streets and May Street in Hood River.

#### **John Walker – NW Natural Gas**

- ❖ Re-requesting county permit for work on Chenowith Loop/W 7<sup>th</sup>. Work should be completed in another 3 to 4 days.
- ❖ E. 15<sup>th</sup>/I bare main removal project is in drafting. There is 146' of bare main to be removed. Work needs to be completed by October 31, 2014.
- ❖ W 8<sup>th</sup>/Garrison project is on hold until a crew is available but must be done by October 31, 2014.
- ❖ Lots of service work.

#### **Arthur Smith – Wasco County Public Works**

- ❖ Chip sealing Browns Creek Road today and then moving to Dry Hollow after cherry season is over.

### **Scott Peters – ODOT**

- ❖ Porsche will be filming this Friday night about sunset on Hwy 30 around Adeline Way. Then Saturday morning around sunrise they will be filming at the shooting range quarry so expect travel delays.
- ❖ Next Monday paving will start by Pine Grove on Wapinitia Hwy 216 from mile post 14 to 17.
- ❖ On July 28<sup>th</sup> paving will begin in the slow lanes east and westbound from Hood River to Mosier.

### **Jim Bailey – Wasco Electric Co-op**

- ❖ Replacing several poles in Sherman County and southern Wasco County damaged by fires.
- ❖ Will soon be rebuilding lines on Steele Road because of the July 4<sup>th</sup> fire.
- ❖ Miscellaneous services.

### **Ed Ortega – Northern Wasco County PUD**

- ❖ Working with Crestline Construction on the underground secondary for School District 21.
- ❖ Tesla Motors is installing vaults/conduits on Ash Street for their 500KVA transformer. The charging station should be energized by July 25<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ Installing poles and secondary services for customers.
- ❖ Installing a pole and line out 15-Mile for power and communications.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m. Thanks to everyone who attended!

Remember next month's meeting: August 19th.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Huskey, Secretary