

WASCO COUNTY UTILITIES COORDINATING COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

April 16, 2013

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

Attendance:

Arthur Smith	Wasco County Public Works
Herb Watts	North State Telephone/Sunset Peak
Brenda Huskey	City of The Dalles
Dale McCabe	City of The Dalles
Jim Bailey	Wasco Electric Co-op
John Walker	NW Natural
Troy Klein	NW Natural
Sheri Clark	NW Natural
Nathan Pope	Chenowith Water PUD
Ed Ortega	Northern Wasco County PUD
Mike Richardson	The Dalles Irrigation District

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by President, Herb Watts.

Minutes:

Minutes of the March 19th, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report:

Account balance is \$3,566.28 with about \$500 coming out for Contractor's Night on April 24th.

Damage Report:

Two utilities reported damages—City of The Dalles and North State Telephone. Both were caused by commercial excavator.

Old Business:

Contractor's Night will be April 24, 2013 at Spooky's from 4 to 6 p.m. Invitations were sent out yesterday Arthur said. Kevin Bissell with One Call Concepts will be our speaker. Sheri will e-mail Don Patterson to see if he can give us dig law updates. If Don is not able, John said he or Yogi will do the updates.

Arthur asked the amount we wanted to spend and those present OK'd spending \$200 for local restaurant gift certificates and \$300 for tools/prizes at Home Depot and True Value. John and Yogi will do the tool shopping.

Donations of door prizes can be dropped off at the county offices, city offices or brought to the event.

Maupin Hardware, True Value and Home Depot have agreed to hang our 811 signs so Arthur is going to order 5 more and bring one to Contractor's Night.

Sheri said Dozer Days still needs volunteers. They have 200 at the moment and are in need of 1,000 for the 2-day event. So sign up and take a big shift or a little shift on May 18th or May 19th or both.

Arthur handed out 811 magnetic bumper stickers. The City felt the regular bumper stickers were not printed on high enough quality paper, that an outdoor quality paper should have been used.

Arthur has reserved two rooms for Herb and Yogi for the night of May 7th at Sun River Resort so they can attend the quarterly OUNC/OUCC Meeting. Herb is planning on taking samples of the bumper stickers to show. There is a President's dinner on May 7th at 6 p.m. that Herb is going to try and attend.

Tonya Brumley is looking for the Cherry Festival 811 banner and Sheri will follow up with her.

Everyone present was OK with the name change of our council. Arthur said he has talked with the IRS and there is no problem with changing our name as far as the tax ID number goes. He just has to submit a form to the IRS and we are lucky because our checks won't have to be reprinted. Arthur has red lined some changes he wants to make to the bylaws and will get those to the secretary before the next meeting.

New Business:

None.

Round Table:

Sheri/John – NW Natural

- ❖ Only 6 long couplings left to eliminate on Scenic east of Jefferson Street which will take about 3 days.
- ❖ Found another bare main at 13th/Union that has to be replaced. Sheri said bare mains should all be replaced by November of 2015. She explained that a bare main is a steel main that isn't wrapped with a coating so it corrodes over time.
- ❖ Waiting for the Clark County crew to return so another phase of Laughlin from 9th to 10th can be completed. Two more O & Ms need to be completed first.

Arthur Smith – Wasco County Public Works

- ❖ Prepping their paved roads so some can be oiled this year and some next year. Murray's Addition will definitely be done this year.
- ❖ The paving list will be done soon.

Dale McCabe - City of The Dalles Public Works

- ❖ Finishing the water line on River Road. After experiencing water shutdown problems, the tie in was completed yesterday (4/15).
- ❖ The Phase II LID on First and Bargeway is still underway. Bargeway is closed now as NW Kodiak tears up the surface so they can pave. First Street will be paved this coming Saturday (4/20) and Sunday (4/21).
- ❖ The city crew will be paving the north travel lane of Second Street this Sunday from Court to west of the Natatorium with westbound traffic detoured to West 6th Street to avoid the work area.
- ❖ Sewer line upgrade from the manhole by Enterprise Rent-A-Car east to the second house at the bottom of the exit 84 off ramp. This project will be starting within the next two weeks.
- ❖ Sewer upgrade at 12th/Mt. Hood and also at 15th/Mt. Hood.

- ❖ Dale distributed the list of city streets to be paved. East 14th will be overlaid from Washington to Kelly in May. Dry Hollow from 9th to 19th will be chipsealed in June. Mt. Hood from 10th to 23rd will be chipsealed in June also. Bridge Street from 14th to 18th and 16th Street from Trevitt to Bridge will have a concrete treated base and be paved in August. West 2nd Street in the Webber light quadrant will be profiled and paved back in October.
- ❖ The Granada block is still on the books as is the Washington Street Undercrossing but no information on a timeline yet.

Nathan Pope – Chenoweth PUD

- ❖ Crossing West 10th Street at Verdant tomorrow. Half of the new line has been pressure tested and 12 services have been hooked up.
- ❖ 8-inch main line replacement in Murray's Addition after Verdant job is finished.

Herb Watts – North State Telephone/Sunset Peak

- ❖ Installing or relocating fiber drops.
- ❖ Abandoning aerial facilities on PUD poles. Taking down all aerial in Dufur.
- ❖ Responding to locates.

Ed Ortega – Northern Wasco County PUD

- ❖ Customer underground work on 19th/Nevada.
- ❖ Moving a secondary line that was under a garage

Jim Bailey – Wasco Electric Co-op

- ❖ Maintenance and miscellaneous services throughout the system.
- ❖ Upcoming project at Cottonwood Park where Highway 206 crosses the John Day River.

Mike Richardson – The Dalles Irrigation District

- ❖ Normal maintenance.
- ❖ Replacing some galvanized pipe.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m. Thanks to everyone who attended!

Next month's meeting: May 21st.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Huskey, Secretary