

WASCO COUNTY UNDERGROUND COORDINATING COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

March 15, 2011,
8:00 a.m. @ Shari's Restaurant

Attendance:

Jeff McCall	Wasco County Public Works
Art Smith	Wasco County Public Works
Herb Watts	North State Tele./ Sunset Peak LLC
Dale McCabe	City of The Dalles
Delbert Nicholson	ODOT
Bert Perisho	ODOT
Ed Ortega	Northern Wasco PUD
Troy Klein	NW Natural
Jim Bailey	Wasco Electric Co-Op
Mike Richardson	The Dalles Irrigation
Jeb Miller	Chenowith Water PUD

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

Minutes:

Minutes of the Febuary meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report:

After expenditures of \$825.81, \$551.77 being spent for the Contractors Night costs, \$124.04 for OUCC dues, and \$150.00 donated for candy to be used in the parades this year leaves the ending balance of \$2579.88.

Damage Report:

Art Smith reported no damages for the month of the reporting entities.

Old Business:

Art reported that the local council had sent out 62 invitations to local contractors for our recently held Contractors Night dinner.

Frank Planton, the Director of the One Call Center gave a very informative, thorough presentation concerning the purpose and mission for the One Call center. Many questions from the audience were answered and great discussions followed.

Herb talked on his experience at the Locator training that was held in McMinnville and commented how useful the information presented was well worth the time and money that was expended.

Art checked on getting our web site updated and received info from Stephanie Baxter of NW Natural, names, addresses and e-mail contacts, that we can start using to start the updating this week .

New Business:

Jim Bailey opened a discussion on the issue of marking a particular area to be located as opposed to calling in locates for an entire piece of property.

The requirements to be considered “in good standing” for our local council were reviewed and was realized that we needed to make a single change in the way things have been done. We have been operating without a President Elect, so Jeb Miller offered to step up to that position and Herb Watts volunteered to accept the Vice President position vacated by Jeb.

Round Table:

Troy Klein – NW Natural

- ❖ General maintenance

Dale McCabe - City of The Dalles Public Works

- ❖ Construction of Terminal Reservoir.
- ❖ Catch basin work on G St. between 8th and 9th
- ❖ Storm line in the 12th St. and Quinton St area
- ❖ Sewer line work in the 10th and Laughlin area
- ❖ Festival area and the Washington St. undercrossing project

Delbert Nicholson - ODOT

- ❖ Winter maintenance
- ❖ Bridge project at Fifteenmile Creek on I84
- ❖ General maintenance.
- ❖ Shoulder maintenance on I84
- ❖ Overlay project with accompanying shoulder work on Hwy. 197 between the north and south entrances to Dufur.
- ❖ Paving project with possible sign replacement on I84 between M.P.88 and M.P. 97

Art Smith - Wasco County Public Works

- ❖ General winter Maintenance
- ❖ Pre-spring maintenance
- ❖ Working on paving schedule

Mike Richardson – The Dalles Irrigation

- ❖ Winter maintenance

Jeb Miller – Chenoweth Water PUD

- ❖ Flushing system and general maintenance

Jim Bailey- Wasco Electric Co-Op

- ❖ Rebuild transmission line from 3 mile, over to 5 mile, and on to our Endersby sub-station. The route of the new line will be the same with minimal changes to minimize the difficulties of maintenance in the future.

Ed Ortega- Northern Wasco County PUD

- ❖ Finishing work for the T-mobile / Verizon communication tower.
- ❖ Pole replacements
- ❖ Underground work in the Sharis Restaurant area.

___With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 A.M.
Thanks to all who attended today.

Respectfully Submitted,

Delbert G Nicholson , Secretary