

ELUCC Meeting June 17th, 2021 PO Box 582, Lebanon, Oregon 97355

The meeting was called to order by Kevin Hamilton. Minutes from the prior meeting (March 18th, 2021) were accepted by the Council.

Treasurer's Report:

Current balance is \$1,678.83.

We don't have any outstanding obligations. Some dues have not been paid by members. Also, we have not received our distribution from the state yet. That is still anticipated.

Damage Report:

NW Natural has had some damages in the last quarter. A private citizen pulling a stump damaged a gas line. Separately, Gardner Electric drove a residential ground rod which pierced a 2 inch poly gas line. The individual pulled the rod and re-drove it. This resulted in a leak which persisted overnight and created a significant safety liability. The person placing the rod placed it 6 inches away from a locate mark. He/she did not understand that the locate zone is 2 feet on either side of the locate mark.

Despite these incidents, Jason reported that NWN's incident rate is about half what it was last year. Calls for locates have improved significantly in the last year. Jason attributes this to involvement from OSHA and PUC in enforcing fines against violators.

<u>Standards Report:</u>

We did not review any standards at this meeting.

State Council Report:

No information reported. Kevin, Jason, nor Joyce did not participate in the most recent State Council meeting.

<u>P & E Report:</u>

The Linn County Fair is scheduled for July 15, 16, and 17. Joyce has put together boxes of information and promotional items again this year. Thanks, Joyce.

Joyce and Larry will set up the booth and cover a "shift" Thursday evening.

Kevin will stop in sometime Friday to restock the table top, and then cover a "shift" Friday evening.

Frank will cover a "shift" Saturday evening.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS willing to come in to cover the table and talk to people during the Fair. These times can overlap with those above, or can be separate. Joyce will obtain passes for volunteers which will give you access to the whole Fair. Please help the effort.

Tom Aldrich and Jason Williams brought in new banners which promote 811 awareness. The Council voted to purchase 20 of them at a cost of \$50 each, \$1,000 total. Tom will arrange for the order.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Welcome to JD Burns who has taken over for Sodaville's Public Works representative.

Projects:

Lebanon is installing a new sewer interceptor on the west side of town. Linn County is continuing with reconstruction of Broadway to 1st Ave. in Mill City.

Next Meeting:

We will continue to meet quarterly while COVID restrictions remain in effect.

3rd week of September, Thursday.