

**WASCO COUNTY UTILITIES
COORDINATING COUNCIL**

MEETING MINUTES

May 16, 2017

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

Attendance:

Dan Saldivar	The Dalles Irrigation District
Nathan Pope	Chenoweth Water
Brewster Whitmire	Wasco Electric Co-op
Brenda Huskey	City of The Dalles Public Works
Dale McCabe	City of The Dalles Public Works
Sheri Clark	NW Natural
Jodi Wright	NW Natural
Yogi Rattay	NW Natural
Greg Jensen	Crestline Construction

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 a.m. by Vice President, Dan Saldivar. Introductions were made as this is Jodi Wright's first meeting and Sheri's last before she retires. Jodi will be living in Mosier but working out of three NW Natural offices.

Minutes:

Minutes of the April 18, 2017 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report:

Arthur was absent. Everyone is still very positive about spending the \$1,500 to be a main sponsor for The Fort Dalles Fourth Festival.

Damage Report:

No one had damages last month. Greg said he didn't think USI needed an intervention, "they have seen the light".

Old Business:

Dan and Yogi gave an update on the Cherry Festival. Both said the turnout was good, visitors asked lots of questions and they took a lot of materials. The trailer location was perfect as everyone funneled by the trailer on their way to the carnival. We should try and get the same location for next year. Dan will contact Bryan Baxter and schedule the trailer for the same time next year.

We seem to be all set up for The Fort Dalles Fourth. Brewster said they are using the 811 shovel logo on the materials.

New Business:

Dale mentioned the council could help sponsor the community cleanup banner with an 811 logo on it for next year if they would like. It is a great community event held the first weekend in May and this year the banner was lost. Since banners cost between \$500 and \$1,000 it would get our name out there and also share the expense for a much needed community event. Cindy at Public Works will do a cost estimate and get back to Dale so he can inform the council. Everyone present seemed in favor of the exposure.

Dan said last Monday a pre-construction meeting was held at Public Works with ZAYO and their contractor, RBC. City staff and all utility companies involved were invited. Dale has received some maps that he will forward to local utilities. RBC is going to start potholing at Chenoweth Loop today and is hoping to bore down the center of 6th Street. Dale still has not received traffic control plans yet so it may not start today but it will be soon.

No one from our council attended the quarterly meeting but Dan will check into meeting highlights and let us know.

Dale said it is time for the council to select a new secretary from within the council. The City will not be able to provide one since Brenda is leaving soon and the other two office girls will be too busy to fill in for her. Any volunteers?

Round Table:

Greg Jensen – Crestline Construction

- ❖ Cleaning up the landslide on the Rowena Loops
- ❖ Refurbishing the Dallesport Airport taxiway
- ❖ Quite a few jobs in the Hood River area, including one at Cardinal Glass
- ❖ Lots going on in the Port area

Dale McCabe – City of The Dalles Public Works

- ❖ Working on bids for seismic upgrades and recoating the interior and exterior of Sorosis and Columbia View Reservoirs
- ❖ Lone Pine Well upgrade is still underway
- ❖ Installing a sewer line across E 2nd Street east of the boat basin overpass because ODOT wants to repave E 2nd. The city is piggy backing to grind and repave from boat basin overpass to roundabout starting 5/21/17. Oregon Mainline (ODOT's contractor) will do the paving which may include some night work
- ❖ Looking at getting rid of the 8th and Clark Street Lift Station. Sewer will run down over the hill and be tied into our main located across 2nd Street
- ❖ City has to reroute 2 force mains on the Chenoweth Creek Bridge before it is demoed and reconstructed in July
- ❖ Replacing the boat basin lift station
- ❖ Sewer investigation work on 4th and Federal and up the hill. Issues are coming from the old annex building. This investigation is next to some high pressure gas mains.
- ❖ Paving on Second and third Streets this week. Will be profiling and repaving W 6th/Chenoweth Loop after ZAYO (RBC) is through boring
- ❖ Crack sealing in preparation for chip sealing

- ❖ Finalizing easements with WM3 folks and Walmart
- ❖ WWTP design/build on-site construction has begun

Brewster Whitmire—Wasco Electric

- ❖ Working on new services and system upgrades. In Maupin they are upgrading the system for a fiber project

Nathan Pope – Chenowith Water

- ❖ Replacing meters.
- ❖ Attaching a water line from the 76 station on W. 6th to the bridge

Dan Saldivar – The Dalles Irrigation District

- ❖ Pumping water but moving it slower than last year. TDID is only at 10 percent capacity. Turnout maintenance and calibrating meters. Working on bids for off-season work

Sheri Clark- NW Natural

- ❖ Gas line that feeds The Dalles will be shut down June 26th. LNG will be supplying the city's gas from 2 tanks, staged at Airgas on W. 2nd Street, to keep the City of The Dalles line active. They will discharge from the tanks to a riser that will have barricading around it for protection. The Airgas property is being leased on May 31st with a high pressure crew staging from there.
- ❖ Trevitt from 13th/14th alley to 15th/16th alley—permitting to start as soon as school is out and completed before school starts in September.
- ❖ 350' main extension for system reinforcement at W. 6th/7th alley is finished
- ❖ All pipes are in on the Chenoweth Bridge on River Trail Way. Started on the bridge hangers but the earthquake stabilizers weren't the proper ones so waiting for those
- ❖ Upgrading a propane system they purchased from 30 mlp to 60 mlp. Has 7 C-leak valves they have to check once a year
- ❖ Meeting with Tonya and other utilities regarding the Tony's building this morning.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:42 a.m. Thanks to everyone who attended!

Put next month's meeting on your calendar: June 20th.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Huskey
Interim Secretary