# WASCO COUNTY UTILITIES COORDINATING COUNCIL

# **MEETING MINUTES**

October 17, 2017

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

# Attendance:

Jennifer Lindsey Wasco Electric Cooperative Brewster Whitmire Wasco Electric Cooperative

Danny Saldivar The Dalles Irrigation

Ed Ortega NWPUD

Dale McCabe City of The Dalles Public Works

Bill Vanek Chenowith Water
Aaron Westfall NW Natural Gas
John Amery Q-Life Network

## Minutes:

Minutes from the September meeting were approved as distributed.

# **Treasurer's Report:**

Arthur was absent; Ed noted the balance of \$2,208.68.

Ed discussed contributing \$500.00 to 811; Ed will follow up and report back at the next meeting.

## **Damage Report:**

Dale McCabe reported that damage occurred at the 9th Street bridge crossing of Mill Creek due to sanitary sewer line being bored through. Currently working on repairs.

Brewster Whitmire reported that a few residents lost power in the Kah-Ne-Tah hamlets & village; unable to determine if damage was done prior to Kah-Ne-Tah calling in locate or shortly thereafter. Appears that the Kah-Ne-Tah maintenance crew dug up secondary.

#### **Old Business:**

Ed reported that he attended the quarterly OUCC meeting in Hermiston. Looking on how to increase state council attendance. Oregon Safety Summit Meeting on February 21, 2018 in Salem; no cost to register; let Ed know if you are interested in attending.

Dale inquired about contractor's night and a sponsorship.

Ed will talk with Arthur regarding membership dues.

## **Round Table:**

# Dale McCabe - City of The Dalles Public Works

- Second Street Utility Project bid has closed and Crestline Construction has the lowest bid.
   Working on finalizing the bid documents; looking forward to an estimated start date of November 2017 with an estimated completion date of June 2018.
- Ongoing project with waste water treatment plant
- Sanitary sewer on 8th Street
- Painting at Columbia View Reservoir finishing up
- Painting to begin at Sorosis Park Reservoir beginning soon
- Crew is beginning winter preparation
- Cleaning catch basins

# **Bill Vanek - Chenowith Water**

- Water Meter Replacements
- Hydro flushing
- Continuing with new services

## **Aaron Westfall - NW Natural Gas**

- Have completed 1/2 of Thompson Street project
- Completion of service work; trouble getting pipe in after Texas hurricane
- PEC inspection this week; bridges/roads, valve inspections

## **Brewster Whitmire: Wasco Electric**

- Finished up underground project on Hwy 26
- Underground project at Young Life Washington Family Ranch beginning soon
- Continuing with new services & repairs

# John Amery - Q-Life Network

• Gave introduction; briefly discussed Q-Life and what services they offer

# **Danny Saldivar - The Dalles Irrigation**

- Irrigation pumps turned off Oct. 13
- Draining turnouts/pipelines
- Reservoir repairs

## **Ed Ortega - NWPUD**

- Power to waste water treatment
- 15 Mile area installation of new phase regulator bank
- Rivertrail Substation w/Bonnieville
- Pole Inspections
- Hwy 197 overpass pole replacement & underground installation
- Webber & 1st Street pole replacement
- Customer service maintenance

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

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 21, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Lindsey Secretary