

Oregon Joint Use Association Standards Committee

Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was present:

Members Present

Gary Lee (Chair), Charter Communications
David Asgharian, PacifiCorp
Stan Cowles, Qwest
Dave Chaney, Accent Inc.
Jim Flu, PacifiCorp
Tamara Johnson, Springfield Utility Board
Rob Kolosvary, UAM
Michelle Ness, Central Lincoln PUD
Gary Payne, Qwest
Gary Putnam, PUC Staff
John Wallace, PUC Staff
Scott Wheeler, Comcast
Bill Woods, PacifiCorp

Members Not Present

Jim Corwin, Verizon
Scott Jennings, Verizon
Jim Mcguire, PGE

OJUA Staff

Genoa Ingram

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 20, 2007 meeting were approved as presented.

PDA Software

David Chaney provided a demonstration of PDA software developed by Accent, Inc., including an overview of the mobile software and the central hub.

Chair Lee asked that the Committee evaluate the demonstration in Chaney's absence. It was suggested that future presenters be instructed to follow the order of the evaluation table in chronological order. By consensus, the Committee agreed to remove the words "without additional programming" from the "General Goals" questions relating to importing information without additional programming. It was also noted that standard field names (the last question on first page) had not been developed. Given the number of suggested changes in the evaluation process, it was suggested that the form/process be modified and that presenters all be evaluated using the same process and criteria. Committee members agreed, noting that in order to be consistent, Chaney should be invited to give a second presentation based on the modified evaluation form/process.

OJUA Spring Training

Chair Lee asked what the expectations were regarding a presentation by the Standards Committee during the Spring Training event. Staff reported that the P&E Committee had met the previous day and the P&E Chair had indicated he would contact Chair Lee.

Chair Lee suggested that the Committee cover the following topics:

- Pole tagging
- Grandfathering Research
- Mapping
- Collaborative Inspections
- Pole Tagging Survey
- PDA Software
- Prioritization of Repairs
- Chapter Demo of the forthcoming handbook
- Rulemaking Update (how people should be operating under the new rules)

Members asked Stan Cowles, a member of the P&E Committee, whether P&E had considered dividing Spring Training into two days; the first being basic courses for people new to the industry and the second day geared to more experienced workers. Cowles recalled that had been the case several years ago. Part of the problem is that it is difficult to predict who the audience will be. Chair Lee indicated that the Committee would prefer an hour for rulemaking and an hour for other agenda items.

Chair Lee asked that he be notified regarding date, time frame and other details, as soon as that information becomes available.

Code Interpretation on Climbing Space

Chair Lee asked for PUC safety staff to provide an interpretation on Rule 236 as embodied in an email between Charter and PGE. (See attached Exhibit A) John Wallace indicated that it was his understanding that there was an application for an interpretation from the national committee. Wallace stated that he was in disagreement with Charter's interpretation, but would consider any interpretation received from the national committee. Gary Putnam added that the PUC did not believe in boxing a pole. There was additional discussion regarding the PUC's position.

Chair Lee suggested that the Committee request a formal interpretation from the national committee, adding that it might be preferable, in terms of response time, if the PUC staff made the request. Wallace responded that it might not be appropriate since the PUC had already made an interpretation. Chair Lee agreed to discuss the matter with PGE and make a recommendation for who should make the request for interpretation

Online Mapping Demonstration

David Chaney provided a demonstration of an online mapping program he had been working on, noting that the maps were in PDF format and allowed for layering with township and range.

Chair Lee asked if Chaney might have the capability to update the OJUA's mapping system. Rob Kolosvary volunteered to undertake the updating of the data if the OJUA would provide the data.

Announcements

Bill Woods reported that PacifiCorp was sponsoring the WEI meeting in 2008 which is scheduled for mid-September in Salt Lake City.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the OJUA Standards Committee was scheduled for Tuesday, February 5, 10:00 a.m., at the OJUA Conference Room in Salem.

Adjourn

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.