# Oregon Joint Use Association Board of Directors: Meeting Minutes Rudy's at Salem Golf Course – Salem, Oregon

January 19, 2017

President Sam Ackley called the meeting to order at 10:24 a.m. A quorum was present:

<u>Present</u> :	<u>Guests</u>
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Sam Ackley, Past President\*

Scott Rosenbalm, President

Tod Rosinbum, Vice President

Jerry Donovan, ICE Committee Co-Chair

David Barks, Standards Committee Chair

Stuart Sloan, Consumers Power

Terry Blanc Peter Griffen, Osmose
Gary Lee Tom Jorgenson, CenturyLink

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Jeff Kent

Nancy Lang <u>Staff</u>:

Not Present: Genoa Ingram
Lisa Van

Joe Mitchell Laureal Williams

Janet Ebright, Secretary
Brant Wolf

Tom McCowan Traccurer

Tom McGowan, Treasurer \*participated via phone

Minutes Approval of the minutes from the October 5, 2016, meeting was tabled

until the March 16 meeting.

**Treasurer's Report** Staff reviewed the financial statements as provided in the meeting

materials.

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Gary Lee and seconded by Jeff Kent to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted. **Motion passed**.

**Industry Updates** Jeff Kent noted that the Western Energy Institute's Joint Use Conference

is scheduled for September 26-29 in Tempe, Arizona.

The Board discussed reports indicating that Verizon is proposing a bill in Washington for preferential rates and expedited processing for small cell

attachments.

Rocky Mountain Power has a formal complaint proceeding against

Blyncsy in Utah (Docket 16-035-04).

In discussing an update on Google's activities in Salem, Board members noted that the company is still active in Salt Lake City, Utah, with PacifiCorp but projected activity in Portland has not happened.

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# **Old Business**

## 2016 Annual Meeting Recap

Staff reviewed the 2016 Annual Meeting recap, noting several positive comments about the program and the facilities. With regard to 2017, Terry Blanc suggested Christy Monson (potential topic: Franchise Agreements) and Heather Howe (potential topic: Working with ODOT) as prospective speakers.

# 2017 NESC Sales Update

Staff provided an update on current inventory, noting that a recommended purchase of an additional 100 copies appears in the proposed 2017 budget.

#### **Committee Reports**

# **Executive Committee**

Scott Rosenbalm provided an update on the Executive Committee's activities, including development of the proposed budget, review of the work products generated by the Association's committees, and preparation for the 2017 Annual Meeting.

# Publicity and Education Committee

Staff provided a report on the Committee's activities, noting that preparation of the games and the curriculum were nearly complete. Staff reminded the Board that this year's workshop will be provided in two segments (NESC 101 and NESC 201) over a period of three days. The event will be hosted at the Red Lion on the River in Jantzen Beach, April 25-27.

# Inspection Correction Efficiency

Gary Lee noted that they have not met since last summer. He will be working with Co-Chair Jerry Donovan to set a date for the next meeting.

# Mapping Project Subcommittee

Gary Lee and Jerry Donovan indicated that they will confirm with Linda Spurgeon her interest in continuing to chair the mapping project.

# Joint Inspection Subcommittee

Jerry Donovan provided an update on the Subcommittee's activities, including a presentation by Terry Blanc and Professor Kawika Pierson (Willamette University) on the development of a statistical tool for assessing the effectiveness of joint inspection programs. The Subcommittee provided feedback on the presentation and generated additional study.

# Standards Committee

David Barks provided a summary of the Committee's activities, including a review of the Best Practices manual with an intention of having the document complete and published in time for the 2017 Annual Meeting. David noted the availability of the Grandfather Matrix, on the Association's website, indicating that the Committee will likely consider

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updates based on the 2017 NESC later this year. David concluded by identifying the Committee's new role in soliciting and reviewing NESC change proposals for the 2022 edition.

#### Conflict Resolution

No report at this time.

#### **New Business**

## **Board Vacancies**

President Sam Ackley reported that Nancy Lang of the Umatilla Electric Cooperative has been endorsed by the Oregon Rural Electric Cooperative Association to serve as that organization's representative to the Board.

**MOTION:** Moved By Tod Rosinbum and seconded by Gary Lee to elect Nancy Lang to the OJUA Board of Directors. **Motion** passed.

The Board noted that small municipalities are currently unrepresented on the Board of Directors. Staff will continue to ask the League of Oregon Cities to endorse a representative.

# 2017 Membership Dues

Staff presented a history and review of the proposed membership dues increase. Board members questioned the financial need to increase membership dues and the appropriateness of such an increase at this time. After much discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to table the consideration of a dues increase until fall as part of the development of the 2018 budget

## 2017 Budget Proposal

Staff reviewed the proposed 2017 Budget, noting an anticipated purchase and subsequent sale of 100 NESC manuals in 2017.

**MOTION:** Moved by Tod Rosinbum and seconded by Gary Lee to recommend adoption of the budget as amended to reflect no increase in membership dues by the Executive Committee at its next meeting. **Motion passed.** 

# Other

The Board briefly discussed recent developments in the industry related to a misinterpretation of the OARs by a local municipality with regard to franchise fees.

In addition, Jeff Kent reported that he has distributed a notice to licensees in five states regarding changes to vegetation management guidelines prompted by recent changes to the code.

# **Adjourn**

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.