

**Oregon Joint Use Association
Standards Committee**
Meeting Minutes – January 25, 2018

Chair Donovan called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. A quorum was present:

Present:

Jerry Donovan, Chair
Todd Gover
Mark Rettmann
Steve Simms
Corey Cook
Marlene Martin

Pete Kalnins
Stuart Sloan
Scott Rosenbalm

Staff:

Taryn Nugent
Laureal Williams

** participated via phone*

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Moved by Corey Cook and seconded by Scott Rosenbalm to accept the minutes of the November 16, 2017, meeting as amended. **Motion passed.**

Old Business

Review Timeline for 2022 NESC Change Proposals – Chair Jerry Donovan reviewed the NESC 2022 Edition Revision Schedule, noting that the Committee is currently scheduled for two more meetings prior to the change proposal submission deadline (July 15, 2018). The Executive Committee’s meeting scheduled closest to the submission deadline is July 11. Jerry suggested that anyone wanting to submit proposals should have them ready for the Standards Committee meetings scheduled for March and May.

Mark Rettmann indicated that he has a couple of proposals he would like to circulate to the Committee for review.

Mark noted recent changes to the Revision Schedule: preprint of change proposals moved from September 1, 2019, to July 1, 2019. Final date to submit comments on submitted change proposals changed from May 1, 2020, to March 1, 2020.

Mark and Stuart Sloan discussed FCC regulation changes to poles, such as spacing, over-lashing, voltage, labeling, signage, and approach distance.

CPI Change Proposal – Stuart discussed his progress on the change proposal (relating to second floor windows causing access hazards). The change proposal is nearing completion: Stuart hopes to present it at the March meeting. Stuart noted that he has consulted with Dave Marne about his interpretation of the current rule.

New Business

Potential Draft 2022 NESC Rule Change Proposals – Jerry asked for change proposal concepts currently under consideration. Mark distributed draft concepts of two change proposals relating to strand mounted wireless and identification of attachments on supporting structures. The Committee members reviewed the drafts and discussed their own experiences with the issues related to the proposals.

The Committee discussed the “Grounding Luminaires” rule, indicating that the wording of the rule is difficult to understand and should be amended. Concerns were noted about whether the rule will block access or force over-lashing.

OJUA Codes – The Committee reviewed the documents related to the OJUA codes. Corey Cook noted that Veronica Voelker will be comparing the code-related instructions developed by Gary Payne to those developed by PGE. Jerry Donovan committed to bringing a copy of the PGE instructions to the next meeting.

Jerry Donovan suggested that the Committee may review the recently published best practices manual for the inclusion of wireless issues. The Committee noted that such a review may be premature at this time, but the addition of someone familiar with the wireless industry as either a guest or a committee member could be very beneficial to the review process.

Recognizing the value of reviewing and updating the codes, it was the consensus of the Committee to prioritize the NESC change proposals for future meetings in order to meet the proposal submission deadline.

Corey Cook proposed that OJUA work products should have an “intended use” document developed to accompany them, prompting Stuart Sloan to ask for an assessment of how many organizations are using the code.

MOTION: Moved by Stuart Sloan and seconded by Corey Cook to survey the membership on use of the OJUA codes. **Motion passed.**

Stuart Sloan agreed to assist staff in the development of the survey. Questions to be addressed include: Do you/ would you use the codes? If not, why not, comment section. Questions related to respondent demographics and joint inspection program participation may also be included. Stuart will bring a draft of the survey to be reviewed at the March meeting before it is issued.

Stuart Sloan addressed the need to get input from field workers to provide a new perspective on what changes need to be made to the OJUA codes. The Committee agreed the perspective could be useful, but no mandate or motion was made.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:41 am. The date and time of the next meeting of the Standards Committee is to be determined.