

**Oregon Joint Use Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

March 18, 2021 – via Zoom conferencing

President Brant Wolf called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was present:

**Present:**

Brant Wolf, President  
Gary Lee, Vice President  
Brooke Sisco, Treasurer  
Terry Blanc, Secretary  
Sam Ackley  
Josh Crain  
Eric Griffeth  
Jeff Kent  
Stuart Sloan  
Pam Vaughan

**Absent:**

Jennifer Butler  
Scott Rosenbalm

**Guests:**

Chris Barley  
Corey Cook  
Jerry Donovan  
Debbie Jenkins  
Tim Khouri  
Tim Webers  
Steve Burkhalter

**Staff:**

Genoa Ingram  
Laureal Williams  
Kate Cochran

**Approval of Minutes**

The Board Members reviewed the minutes of December 17, 2020, Board meeting.

**MOTION:** Moved by Sam Ackley and seconded by Gary Lee to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2020, meeting as presented. **Motion passed.**

**Treasurer's Report**

Brooke Sisco reviewed the financial reports through February 2021.

**MOTION:** Moved by Sam Ackley and seconded by Jeff Kent to accept the financial report as presented. **Motion passed.**

*Audit Update* – Staff reported that only one of the six CPA firms who received the request for proposals responded. After reviewing the proposal, the Executive Committee determined that the proposed cost was too prohibitive at this time and has elected to postpone consideration of an audit until next fiscal year.

**Industry Updates**

Docket AR 638 – The Board discussed recent activity related to the docket, including the distribution of a survey to the industry. The overall process appears to be stalled at this point.

Jeff Kent reported that the California Public Utilities Commission opened a one-touch make ready rulemaking docket. The rulemaking was tagged onto an ongoing, existing docket related to creation of a pole access/pole and attachment.

Josh Crain indicated that Oregon HB 2613 addresses one touch make ready with regard to telecom.

### **Committee Reports**

Executive Committee – Gary provided an update on the Executive Committee’s recent activities, including approving and endorsing the P & E Committee’s decision to move to a virtual venue for the 2021 Spring Training event. The Committee has also been monitoring progress on the wildfire mitigation docket (AR 638) although there has been no recent activity. Gary encouraged board members to consider running for an officer position in the next election cycle. Genoa Ingram noted that board and officer elections typically occur at the Annual Meeting.

Conflict Resolution Committee – Jeff provided an update on an inquiry forwarded to the Committee from an electric utility asking for information about the OJUA process. Noting OJUA’s jurisdiction and limits in hearing disputes, Jeff’s initial reaction is that this dispute may not fall within OJUA’s purview.

P & E Committee – Chris Barley provided an update on the P & E Committee’s preparations for Spring Training. Kate Cochran provided an update on current registrations, noting that each day of the event is currently exceeding 100 attendees.

Inspection Correction Efficiency Committee – Corey Cook reported that the ICE Committee has completed its joint correction options document and is working on collecting supplemental documents with a plan to provide a final work product for the Executive Committee’s review after the ICE Committee’s May meeting. One approved, the documents can be published and presented at the Annual Meeting in September. Once this work product is complete, the Committee will be looking for direction from the Executive Committee with regard to its next undertaking. Corey addressed questions from the Board and noted that the Committee would welcome any contributions to the supplemental materials for its work product, such as examples of agreements.

Standards Committee – Jerry Donovan provided an update on the Committee’s activities, noting that the most recent meeting was shortened to a one-hour check-in to accommodate members’ work schedules in light of the recent ice storm. Jerry reported that the check-in time was spent reviewing work on one of the wireless chapter topics.

Jerry noted that he introduced to the Standards Committee the concept of developing guidelines for pole painting. The Committee discussed the ramifications of developing such guidelines and will likely be coming back to the Executive Committee for additional direction and input.

With regard to storm damage, Jeff Kent indicated that he will be reaching out to the larger and multi-state organizations, as well as smaller organizations, to develop contact lists and solicit input as PacifiCorp plans to develop resources and guidelines for dealing effectively with such events in the future.

Mapping Subcommittee – Tim Khouri indicated that he will be stepping away from chairing the subcommittee. Donovan van Sant from Tillamook PUD has offered to take on that responsibility while Tim will continue to serve on the subcommittee. Tim reviewed the Committee’s current efforts to solicit more participation. He provided an overview of the current status of the mapping project and demonstrated some of the project’s capabilities and updates.

NJUNS User Group – Gary Lee provided an overview of the group’s efforts to develop strategies and best practices for the process for creating NJUNS tickets. The group has met a few times and plans to meet again once in-person meetings are possible.

### **Other Business**

The Board discussed recent experience with PUC violation reports noting systems that are inadequately tagged, noting their own experience and organization guidelines for tagging.

Gary Lee noted that Charter has received a lot of requests to attach its facilities to puppy arms to accommodate the influx of other attachers in an effort by the pole owner to avoid setting a new, taller pole. Gary suspects that more attachers will see similar requests from pole owners.

### **Adjourn**

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.