

# Cooperative Public Agencies of Washington County Minutes for March 10, 2016

# **Members Present:**

Chair, Vance Walker, City of Tigard
Mel Schultz, City of Beaverton
Dave Willer, City of Forest Grove
Secretary, Julia Erickson, City of Hillsboro
Lynn Johnson, City of Sherwood
Bert Olheiser, City of Tualatin
Chris Walsh, Washington County
Deb Dalenberg, Washington County
Ralph Thorp, City of Wilsonville

Tom Tuski, City of Banks
Mark Crowell, City of Cornelius
Justin Jensen, City of Hillsboro
Joel Kuhnke, City of Lake Oswego
Mike Lueck, City of Tigard
Dale Fishback, Tualatin Valley Water Dist
Keith Lewis, Washington County
Arnie Gray, City of Wilsonville

Chair Vance Walker called the meeting to order at 9:00am. The meeting was held at the City of Tigard's City Hall, located at 13125 SW Hall Blvd., Tigard, Oregon.

#### Introductions:

All members present, and our guest Dennis Koellermeier of the City of Tigard, introduced themselves.

# **Host Presentation:**

Dennis Koellermeier, Project Director for the City of Tigard presented information regarding the Lake Oswego/Tigard Water Project.

Dennis explained that the City of Tigard has been purchasing water at wholesale rates from other agencies. Due to the expense, another option was needed to meet the needs of the City. At the same time, the City of Lake Oswego's system, initially installed in the early 60's, was aging. Additionally they lacked storage capacity to meet residents' needs. The two cities signed into a Water Partnership Agreement in 2008 and developed plans to create a shared water resource.

Under this agreement they developed plans for a 38mgd capacity system. Total cost for the project is \$250,000,000. Funding was secured by doubling water rates and selling bonds to cover the expenses. The system, sourced from the Clackamas River, is designed to withstand seismic activity, as well as flooding incidents. A mechanical dewatering process, involving screw presses and gravity thickening, removes sediment from the water. The resulting solids are not a hazardous material and are therefore hauled off for disposal.

This project encountered politic issues, resistance from residents, as well as special permitting due to native species in the Clackamas River. However, once completed it is expected to meet the water needs of Lake Oswego indefinitely; while Tigard expects their needs will be met until approximately the year 2040 to 2050. The second phase of the project is expected to bring both cities on-line this spring. The third, and final, phase is expected to be completed in the spring or summer of 2017.

For further information regarding the project, please visit their website at <a href="https://www.lotigardwater.org">www.lotigardwater.org</a>.

# **Financial Report:**

Chair reported the current balance of \$12,141.30. Revenues, in the form of dues payment in the amount of \$275 were received. Expenses include the Secretary wage reimbursement for January and February in the amount of \$594.09, and \$99.99 for the purchase of a recorder for meeting minutes.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### Fleet:

Craig Crawford absent – no report given

#### **RDPO Update:**

The group did not meet this month. No report to present.

# **Storm/Sanitary:**

Don Januik absent – no report given

# Fall (Spring) Workshop:

As previously determined, the next conference will be scheduled in the spring of 2017. Please share any training ideas with the Committee Members.

# **Old Business:**

### MacBook Update:

The MacBook is being turned over to the City of Cornelius today, on loan for use with their maintenance management programs. Mark will provide feedback regarding the benefits of this computer in two to three months. Julia will complete an equipment sharing form for this item.

#### **New Business:**

There was no new business for discussion.

#### **CPAWC AT WORK:**

# **Equipment Sharing:**

City of Tigard

- Loaned bucket truck to Tualatin Hills Parks & Rec
- Loaned roller to City of Tualatin

- Borrowed 275 gallon totes from City of Tualatin for mag-chloride storage Washington County:
  - Borrowed a vactor from the City of Cornelius. Keith indicated that the County is considering the purchase of a vactor/sweeper combination vehicle.
  - Assisted the City of Beaverton with vault cleaning in exchange for assistance on the County's ditch and culvert installation tasks.

#### City of Banks:

• Received assistance from the City of Cornelius with a water leak repair.

#### City of Forest Grove:

- Loaned TV camera system to ODOT to inspect bores for voids
- Potentially loaning a sweeper to Hillsboro for the St. Patrick's Day Parade

# **Tualatin Valley Water District:**

- Borrowed a tanker from Clean Water Services
- Requested referrals for locations for disposal of clean spoils. Recommendations received include West Side Rock, Tigard Sand & Gravel, Grim's (only takes smaller loads), and S&H Logging.

#### City of Beaverton:

- Working on a shared project with Washington County
- Loaned compressor to Tualatin Hills Parks & Rec for one day

#### City of Cornelius:

- As mentioned assisted City of Banks on water leak repair
- Assisted City of Forest Grove with personnel interviews
- Received a request from the City of Gaston for assistance with meter reads. Tom Tuski indicated that Banks has a part-time employee that may be able to assist with this work. Tom will contact Mark to follow-up.

# City of Hillsboro:

- Currently borrowing a vactor from Clean Water Services while their vactor is being repairs
- Mentioned they have an Apollo 2 thermoplastic pot with pre-melter to give to any agency that may be able to use it. It functions, but may need some work. Mark stated that the City of Cornelius may want it. He will contact Justin for further information.

# City of Lake Oswego:

• In the process of upgrading their facility. They are currently storing equipment at the City of Tualatin.

Further discussion was held regarding the vactor/sweeper unit being considered by Washington County. Keith indicated they are considering a mid-sized, air vacuum, single-axle unit, with ten cubic yard capacity. The unit has an 8" suction hose, and is similar in cost to a standard sweeper. The vendor will provide a demonstration of the unit for the County. Keith will provide further information in the upcoming month or two. He indicates the use of this unit will allow the County to be better prepared to provide services.

Keith also indicated they are planning to contract their water quality vault maintenance.

# **Training:**

Deb reviewed the following upcoming training opportunities to be hosted at Washington County:

- Work Zone Traffic Control March 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am contact Deb
- Road Scholar 11 April 11<sup>th</sup> register via ODOT T2
- Certified Erosion & Sediment Control Lead (CESCL) training in June Deb will send a link regarding the program. She states that in 2017 the DEQ will require a CESCL employee on-site for any work with an erosion control aspect. Additional information is available on the website at <a href="https://nwetc.org/course-catalog/cesclor-101-jun-13-14-2016">https://nwetc.org/course-catalog/cesclor-101-jun-13-14-2016</a>. Deb also indicated that Clean Water Services provides similar training, which is less expensive. However, the training the County has contracted has received a higher rating. Ryan Sandhu or Tony Gilbertson at CWS would be able to provide information regarding their training option.

Julia received additional information regarding the Vigilant training suggested by Hillsboro's Risk Management Department. The course, titled "Foundations of Safety Leadership", was suggested as a topic for presentation during a CPAWC monthly meeting. However, because this is a four hour class, it may be better suited for consideration for the Annual Conference. A copy of the course flyer is attached.

#### Other Information Sharing:

- Vance thanked the members who responded with information for CDL testing agencies.
- Mike Lueck recently attended a Regional Disaster Sanitation Work Group. Various agencies were in attendance, working with the Washington County Public Health Department. The group is discussing the collection and disposal of wastes in the event of a major disaster. This group plans to reach out to public agencies regarding their plans and ability to assist, as well as the potential impact on agency operations. For those interested in attending, the group's next meeting is scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in April. Time and location have not been determined.
- Bert with Tigard inquired as to how various agencies are handling changes in street
  name signage requirements. The majority indicated they are following the new
  standards for sign installations in new developments, as well as for replacement of
  damaged signs. The remaining signs will be replaced as time and budgets allow.
  Discussion was held regarding the specifics of sign sizing and materials in use by the
  various member agencies. Several agencies provided contact information for their
  sign staff as a resource for Tigard.
- Keith inquired if it would be possible to move the meetings to another day of the
  week, or week of the month. He has a scheduling conflict that will be an on-going
  occurrence. Per discussion, Vance and Julia will put together a polling document to
  gather input from members regarding the best day/week for scheduled meetings.
- Hillsboro's new Public Works Facility is on schedule to be completed this year. This
  facility was designed with input from front line staff and the process has flowed
  quite well.
- Cornelius is hiring Hillsboro's Engineering Coordinator Ryan Wells as their Community Development Director.

- Vance reminded members to complete CPAWC Sharing Logs for all vehicle/equipment/labor sharing. Additionally, any photos of the work performed would be greatly appreciated.
- Lake Oswego is considering the purchase of a "Leak Correlator" to locate leaks, and asked if anyone has one in use for which they could provide feedback/advice.
   Cornelius, Sherwood, Tigard and Beaverton all indicated they would be willing to share information or provide a demonstration of the equipment's use.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35am.

# **Next Meeting:**

April 14, 2016 @ 9:00am Tualatin Valley Water District 1850 SW 170<sup>th</sup> Ave Beaverton OR 97003