



Cooperative Public Agencies of Washington County Minutes for April 14, 2011

Members Present: **Chair, Dale Fishback, Tualatin Valley Water District**
Michael Bakkum, City of Hillsboro
Jim Bateman – City of Lake Oswego
Mary Davis – Washington County
Guy Graham, City of Lake Oswego
John Harris – City of Lake Oswego
Melissa Koons – City of Tualatin
Keith Lewis, Washington County
Mel Schultz, City of Beaverton
Michael Sterle, City of Beaverton
David Willer, City of Forest Grove

Chair Dale Fishback called the meeting to order at 9:02 am. The meeting took place at City of Lake Oswego, 4101 Kruse Way, Santiam Room, Lake Oswego.

INTRODUCTIONS

Dale Fishback introduced Jeff Selby, our guest presenter, and everyone went around the table and introduced themselves.

HOST PRESENTATIONS

Jeff Selby, Citizen Information Coordinator with the City of Lake Oswego presented LOIS – Lake Oswego Sewer Interceptor. Jeff explained that LOIS is a large wastewater pipe that forms the backbone of the City's wastewater collection system; a project nearing completion, which has spanned three years and is on time and under budget!

This project was launched with more than 80 public meetings to promote community support, as the construction is taking place in resident's backyard, privately owned Oswego Lake. Additionally, citizens were invited to stay updated via email, breaking news updates, City website, Facebook, Twitter, and the LOIS Project Office.

The existing interceptor had two major problems. It was too small, the system serves an area larger than originally planned and second, it is structurally at risk, with the systems timber and steel pile supports and hardware at risk of collapse. Both of these factors could result in spills, either from overflow of heavy rains or from a more serious event such as an earthquake which could result in a failure allowing millions of gallons of untreated wastewater to flow into the lake, overwhelming the wastewater plant.

Construction on the new project began June 2009, with the dramatic lake drawdown beginning in September 2010. The elevation of the lake was lowered between 16-24 feet to gain access to the site and allow new buoyant and pile supported pipe to be connected to existing lines and replacement of manholes. Refilling of the lake began in March 2011.

This \$95 million project, completed in six phases, was financed through revenue bonds, which are repaid through utility bills. Many local workers were utilized for project work. The life expectancy of the new system is 75-100 years.

This dramatic project has been documented in short webisodes, available at <http://www.lakeinterceptor.com/>.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mary Davis reported the current balance is \$6,647.50

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fleet

No report available.

Training Committee

Michael Bakkum is still working on the Roads Scholar program. Mary Davis suggested that anyone attending public works training bring back ideas for conference topics. Group members indicated an interest in both sustainability and the SHARPS as conference topics.

Storm/Sanitary

No report at this time.

UASI Update

Mary Davis reported that a survey was recently sent to area agencies to vote on what equipment they were interested in, to assist the committee in preparing a priority list for obtaining equipment through available Homeland grants.

Mary encouraged members to attend the Public Works Working Group meetings, which are held the 4th Wednesday of each month at Multnomah County Drainage District. Contact her for meeting details.

OLD BUSINESS

Confirm Identity of Chair-Elect

Group discussed if a chair-elect had been proposed, and only one person (who was not present) was considered a possible option. Dale Fishback will make an email inquiry and if we are unable to confirm a candidate, we will nominate a chair-elect at the next meeting.

Magnetic Signs

Signs were distributed to those present and arrangements were made to deliver signs to agencies that were absent.

Resource Directory

Mary Davis distributed remaining copies of the 2010 Resource Directory. Mary also commented on the possible change in funding of future directories.

NEW BUSINESS

Crane Standards Changes

Dale Fishback shared information regarding new crane standards OSHA is in the process of adopting. These changes could affect several of our everyday work situations, if anything we do could be interpreted as "construction". Please refer to the fact sheet at the following link http://www.orosha.org/pdf/pubs/fact_sheets/fs37.pdf for details and for further information contact Mike Jacobs, Safety Officer at TVWD, 503.848-3048. Dale encourages all agencies to look into this situation now.

CPAWC AT WORK

Equipment Sharing and Work in Progress

Sharing for the previous month included:

- City of Hillsboro participated in new VHF radio training and is gearing up for their Hazardous Waste Day on April 23rd.
- City of Cornelius is in need of reader boards and will send out a request.

- City of Lake Oswego is about to go to bid for striping, it was suggested they check into Multnomah County as an option. They also are planning to participate in a Clackamas County disaster exercise on May 17.
- On behalf of Washington County, Keith Lewis shared about his recent experience at the APWA Snow Conference in Spokane and Mary Davis spoke about the upcoming May 10th wind storm disaster exercise. Mary invited anyone not participating to visit; with advance notice, the PIO's would be available to provide a tour. Event will be at the Walnut Street location.
- City of Beaverton assisted THPRD with TV work investigating a sewer line on a new maintenance site.
- City of Forest Grove loaned a dozer to ODOT and a sweeper with operator to Washington County.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.

Future CPAWC Meetings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Hosting Agency</u>	<u>Location</u>
May 12, 2011	City of Tualatin/Operations Facility	10699 SW Herman Road, Tualatin
June 9, 2011 [extended time]	City of Forest Grove	1915 Main Street, Forest Grove
July 14, 2011	City of Banks	100 South Main Street, Banks
August, 2011	No Meeting	
September 8, 2011	City of Wilsonville	29799 SW Town Center Loop, East
October 13, 2011	City of Sherwood	15527 SW Willamette Street, Sherwood
November 9, 2011	CPAWC Fall Workshop	150 E. Main Street, Hillsboro
December 8, 2011	Clean Water Services	2025 SW Merlo Court, Beaverton