

OAR/ORS Committee Minutes -
Thursday, April 8, 2021
Conference Call In

Members called in: Micah Brown, Phil Boyle, Don Moore, Mitch Burghlea, Jeff Fox, and Kitty O'Keefe.

Guests: Greg Snyder, Frank Planton and Scott Gallegos from OCC. Michelle Tyree/Avista and Garry Black/City of Philomath.

1. Announcements and Introductions

- a. Micah Brown called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and introductions were made.
- b. A motion from Mitch B. was made to approve minutes from 3/4/21 and 2nd by Don M. Kitty to post on website.
- c. Chair – Statement: Micah welcomed members and guests.

2. OAR Committee Items

- a. Discuss 'Ticket Length' language-
 - i) Micah shared that at the last OUNC board meeting a motion was made to move forward to approve new language/definition.
(Micah made a motion to have the OAR committee pursue language around a 750 ft maximum ticket length. Brewster Whitmore seconded. (vote record 03-10-21-04)
 - ii) Nothing has been drafted yet; and Micah asked members if anyone would like to help with this?
 - iii) Michelle Tyree will help draft verbiage.
- b. Discuss Mandatory White Paint-
 - i) Micah shared at the last OUNC board meeting a motion was made to support efforts of mandatory white marking language.
(Micah Brown made a motion to move forward with revising the OAR rule around remarking in white. Phil Boyle seconded. Vote record 03-10-21-05)
 - ii) Michelle Tyree will help draft verbiage
- c. Discuss Design Locate Parameters-
 - i) Micah shared at the last OUNC board meeting a discussion took place around design tickets. Frank had recommended a demo, which was then scheduled.
 - ii) One Call Concepts will present again at the next OUNC Board meeting on the 14th of April.
 - iii) Greg asked Kitty to have the Washington DRS manual ready to show at the meeting.

- d. Discuss Mandatory Damage Reporting
 - i) Most in favor of mandatory damage reporting; how do we present to the board?
 - ii) Phil likes to see what other states are doing and borrow from that.
 - iii) Micah asked Scott and Frank to look into this and report back on other states. WA is mandatory and uses virtual DIRT.
- 3. Old Business-
 - a. 'Large Area' definition Revision to Include Survey Design Language to include 952-001-0080.
 - i) Keep this action item.
 - b. Monthly OAR meetings:
 - i) Micah would like a 'proxy holder' to take the VC position in this committee.
 - ii) At last committee meeting Melanie showed interest in holding this position.
 - iii) Members made a unanimous decision for Melanie to hold the position of VC to the OAR Committee. Kitty to contact her.
- 4. New Business –
 - a. Discuss House Bill 3181 Regarding Locate Marking/Paint Remediation.
 - i) Phil gave background to how this started: Representative Leif's neighbor felt they had excessive and unnecessary white marks on front driveway one year later and complained. Rep. Leif contacted the PUC and they directed him to the OUNC.
 - ii) Bill 3181 did not get a motion. Rep. Leif wanted to get the attention of the PUC & OUNC.
 - iii) Mitch commented that maybe the excavator used a different type of paint that adhered longer. Most locators use a marking paint that dissolves.
 - iv) Micah shared this should not be in rule that states someone is responsible for removing white paint.
- 5. For the Good of the Order –
 - i) Michelle Tyree has a private utility in Klamath Falls who wants to participate in the 811 process. Discussion followed with OCC to help support that effort.
 - ii) Michelle then shared that K Falls is growing so fast and so many locate tickets are being called in. How do we make this more manageable? She asked if language could be added to ticket length such as 'what they can do in one week?'
 - iii) Micah asked her to work on draft verbiage.
 - iv) Frank shared this is a national problem. Some centers pull reports that show some tickets have been updated 80 times. No state has come up with a great solution.
 - v) Construction drives our country.

6. Next Meeting – tbd

*Motion to adjourn by Mitch and 2nd by Don M. Meeting adjourned at 10:52am.
Minutes submitted by Kitty O'Keefe on April 9, 2021*