

One-Call of Wyoming
Minutes
February 14, 2007
Parkway Plaza, Casper, Wyoming

A regular meeting of One-Call of Wyoming's Board of Directors was held in the Senate Room at the Parkway Plaza in Casper on February 14, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. In attendance were the following:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

1. Wayne D. Johnson – Local Telephone Communications (Qwest)
2. Mark Ransdell – Gas Gathering and Transmission Pipelines (Questar) [via telephone]
3. Lowell Ray Anderson – Joint Powers Board/User Owned Water-Sewer-Air (Shoshone Municipal Pipeline) [via telephone]
4. Arnie Davis – Call-In Dig-In Safety Council (Crook and Campbell Counties)
5. Dennis Lawrence – Wind River-Big Horn Basin Utility Coordinating Council (City of Riverton)
6. Russell Waldner – Carbon County Pipeline Association (Carbon Power & Light)
7. Jim Bunch – Utility Locates of Weston County (Black Hills Power)
8. Ron Grandstaff – Liquids Pipeline Transportation (ConocoPhillips)
9. Bill Pettit – Gas Distribution (Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.) [via telephone]
10. Don Swindle – Long-Distance Telephone Communication (Rocky Mountain Power)
11. Collens Wakefield – Electrical Distribution and Transmission (Cheyenne Light, Fuel & Power)
12. Mark Williams – Municipal (WYDOT)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

1. Steve Loftin – Wyoming Contractors Association (71 Construction)
2. Daniel Thissen – Albany County Utility Coordinating Council (Bresnan Communications, LLC)
3. Doug Malsom – Cable Telecommunications (Bresnan Communications)

GUESTS:

1. Candace Miles – One Call Systems, Inc.

ALSO PRESENT:

1. Harry Williams – Executive Director
2. Judy Williams – Secretary

President Wayne Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

President Johnson welcomed all in attendance to the Second Quarterly meeting and had all members introduce themselves.

President Johnson asked for additions or corrections to the agenda. After adding “Budget” to the Treasurer’s Report, Collens Wakefield moved, seconded by Ron Grandstaff and carried to accept the agenda as amended.

Harry mentioned that the 2006 budget amount was reached and was 13 percent over.

(Candace Miles entered the meeting at 10:13 a.m.)

Candace presented One Call Systems, Inc. Operational Report for January. There were 4,053 incoming calls and 24,308 outgoing messages. There were 3,551 routine tickets, 23 non-compliant tickets, 309 emergency tickets, 25 canceled tickets, 23 damage tickets, 58 no response tickets, 64 overwrite tickets, and 187 meetings scheduled. Average speed of answer was 14 seconds. There were 75 IBIS (Intelligent Batch Input System) tickets.

(Jim Bunch entered the meeting at 10:16 a.m.)

WYDOT dug into a mismarked Qwest fiber optic line. City of Cheyenne had an emergency water main break and could not contact the Casper or Pittsburgh one-call centers. They called the Wheatland office; Harry called Gary Craig and Gary called Pittsburgh and had Pittsburgh call the emergency party to generate an emergency ticket.

Cheyenne Light, Fuel and Power sent out letters to over 100 customers who had structures sitting over gas lines. The letter stated codes were being violated and asked the customers to contact them. The one-call center was receiving the calls and was not aware of the letter. Candace asked that if letters like this are sent out to let the center know so they can prepare for the calls.

Lowell Ray Anderson commented that Harry mentioned you could look up tickets on line. Lowell used a valid ticket number and he received a message that "An error has occurred. Error: View Ticket is currently unavailable." Candace told Lowell to call Lindsay Phillips and talk to her.

(Arnie Davis entered the meeting at 10:25 a.m.)

The October 11, 2006 and November 8, 2006 minutes were reviewed. Russell Waldner moved, seconded by Collens Wakefield and carried, to approve the October 11, 2006 and November 8, 2006 Board minutes as E-mailed.

Arnie Davis gave the Treasurer's Report. Russell Waldner moved, seconded by Collens Wakefield and carried, to accept the financial report as presented, and to pay the bills. B & C Cable sent an E-mail stating that they thought OCW's charges were too high. Since they sent the E-mail they remitted some of the debt. Russell stated that according to the bylaws, a yearly budget is to be prepared and he thinks this should be done. Harry stated that a budget cannot be prepared without the help of the Board. It was decided to prepare a budget, send it to President Johnson for approval, and then send it to the Board.

Russell Waldner reported that the Carbon County Pipeline Association would meet February 15, 2007, to start planning for the damage prevention seminar in Rawlins. No date has been set for the seminar, but he will let us know when it will be.

Jim Bunch reported that the Utility Locates of Weston County met and held elections. Another meeting will be held February 22 to plan for their contractor awareness dinner in April.

Arnie Davis reported that the Call-In Dig-In Safety Council dinner is February 15, 2007. Representatives from DOT, OSHA, and the Gillette fire department will speak. The home show will be in March.

Albany County Utility Coordinating Council did not have a report.

Dennis Lawrence reported that the Wind River-Big Horn Basin Utility Coordinating Council had a meeting in January. Inberg-Miller had a training session and Dennis met with them and gave them one-call handouts.

Mark Ransdell reported that the Uinta County Pipeline's seminar is March 7, 2007, 6:00 p.m. at the Evanston Machine Shop. The Green River Basin Pipeline Association's seminar is March 13, 2007, at the Rock Springs Events Complex. The Fremont County Pipeline seminar is March 6, 2007, at the Riverton Holiday Inn.

President Johnson reminded the council representatives that minutes of local coordinating council meetings are to be submitted to the Wheatland office.

There was nothing to report on the Secretary's report.

Arnie Davis requested a list of OCW members.

Harry reported that CGA has been sending lots of information on the 811 number. We are either going to have to go with it or not go with it. Dues were paid to CGA and on the invoice it asked if OCW would support the 811 number and put more money into the program. It is the feeling of the Board to not do anything. There was discussion on advertising the 811 number. It was decided to use the current 800 number on all trinkets, etc., until the 811 number is fully implemented. A question was asked as to whether we would have to advertise the 811 number. The answer was "we wouldn't". Some of the pipeline companies are advertising the 811 number on their own.

The four-member committee that was formed to come up with ideas for the CGA Regional Partnership met February 13, 2007, to discuss results of the questionnaire that was sent to all members. It was decided to do nothing with the CGA questionnaire results at this time. With the dig-ins that have occurred in Cheyenne, the Denver office of Pipeline Safety sent an E-mail from the DOT Office of Pipeline Safety asking what is going on in Wyoming – is this a trend. Are these bad locates a trend in Wyoming? Maybe it is time we mandate trainer certification. The governor hired Jon Jacquot to write a report on all the holes in Wyoming's pipeline safety program. Two recommendations are higher penalties and enforcement. The consensus of the Board is to let CGA get going, we support them, but for us to focus on taking care of Wyoming's call center and then worry about the things that come from CGA as they come down. When CGA gets going and becomes the educational coordinator for state-wide activities it would be a good time for OCW to give its educational dollars to that effort, as long as we could see results, and as long as it is as good as our own programs.

We will go with the advertising with the University of Wyoming athletic department. David Piroutek (Public Service Commission) has money for radio ads. We will buy seeds for home shows. A company contacted the office that would paint on parking lots "Call Before you Dig" and the number.

(Mark Ransdell left the meeting at 11:35 a.m.)

Harry reported that OCW participated in the Wyoming Engineering Society convention in Sheridan. Due to the weather, the participation was not like past years.

Cowley Cable requested that they be dropped from OCW membership.

Jim Bunch gave a summary of Legislative Committee meeting held on November 29, 2006.

(Mark Ransdell re-entered the meeting at 11:40 a.m.)

Mark Ransdell stated that El Paso, one of their attorneys, and one of their managers want to have a discussion in Rock Springs concerning enforcement and what the current law is. Mark will take notes and report back.

Harry was instructed to purchase hats, calling cards, bags, and calculators.

Harry was instructed to dispose of the tickets and computers that are in storage and not keep the storage shed.

The next Board of Director's meeting will be **WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2007**, at the Casper Parkway Plaza.

With no more business to come before the board, Lowell Ray Anderson moved, seconded by Russell Waldner and carried, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:58 p.m.