

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday January 6, 2015

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Adrian Albrich	David Parsons	Mark Tobiasson
Alta Schafer	Donald A. Berg	Michael Wood
Barry Moreland	Doug Rodgers	Michelle Potter
Bob Hall	Gary Beck	Nathan Taylor
Bret Taylor	Ian Chase	Paul Johnston Jr.
Brian Silbernagel	Jeff Wilson	Peggy Munsell
Chris Ottoson	Joe Johnson	Randy Lovell
Chuck Stahl	Jonathan Murders	Russell Nicolai
Cindy Regier	Kevin Wheatcroft	Scott Peabody
Dede Montgomery	Marilyn Schuster	Tony Howard

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Taylor, chair.
Self introductions were made.

Minutes of the December meeting were approved by the group.

Lessons Learned:

Focus on moving heavy equipment safely. Look at everyone on a jobsite to make sure they can be seen easily by wearing high visibility vests, gloves, and other related gear.

Asking questions:

- ~ Can they be seen? What can be done to make them more visible?
- ~ Do the employees need to be in that area?
- ~ Paying more attention.

Segregate the workers and machinery to avoid accidents. Use flashing lights on key points of the equipment along with noise alarms, that way the employees see and hear the equipment.

First Alert has LED emergency beacons that replace flares. They can be mounted on machinery.

Iron Workers Group:

The group met and discussed issues. Jeff will create a document with all of the questions and concerns that arose and will have those for the next meeting. OSHA will have training later in 2015 for all OSHA staff with assistance from the Iron Workers Group.

Rules:

OSHA plans on filing a proposal by midmonth for record keeping and reporting. OSHA will have a Q&A sheet on all of the changes.

Power transmission, generation, and distribution: OSHA told Fed OSHA that we need a six month extension on this rule. OSHA is looking at combing division 2 and 3 to make it easier from employers to understand. OSHA is looking into creating a document that highlights the differences that Oregon has for rubber insulating equipment glove testing intervals.

Continuing Business:

None

Monthly Overnight Hospitalizations and Fatalities Report:

Accidents

1. Dec 1st Salem
An employee was cleaning up lumber on the ground of the job, when he pounded a nail through a piece of lumber into his left hand. He let the wound get an infection. He was taken to Salem Occupation Health, and then transferred to Salem Hospital for surgery.
2. Dec 11th Portland
An Apprentice Lineman was working to restore power to a line when he came in contact with the energy source and was severely injured.
3. Bend Dec 26th
An employee was walking to a forklift when he slipped on the ice resulting in a broken ankle.
4. Both Walsh Construction and Anderson Structures had incidents that involved apparent heart attacks.

Fatalities

1. Dec 2nd Venetia
The rigging crew of five was traveling to the logging site. At approximately 6:45 a.m., the crummy left the road and went down an embankment. The driver and two passengers were fatally injured.
Additional investigation indicates a white, 2005 Ford F-350 pickup-truck was driving southbound on BLM Road 19-8-11 approximately 1 mile from Siuslaw River Road, in heavy fog. The vehicle left the roadway, struck an embankment then rolled approximately 156 feet down a steep ravine.
2. Dec 9th Stayton
A laborer in a food processing facility suffered from a heart attack and died.

3. Dec 9th Cottage Grove

A grate covering a conveyor chain in a Sawmill struck and crushed an employee.

Round table:

Automated External Defibrillator (AED) devices should be on every site. There is a 3 minute window when someone has a heart attack to be saved. There is a 90% chance that person will be saved within that window. An AED device could help that person, or just doing CPR helps extend that 3 minute window until paramedics can arrive on scene. Remove the victims shirt allows the paramedics to administer attention to the victim sooner and reach that time frame.

Underground utility exposures- there was a near miss with a tieback drilling through conduit. They drilled through a blank conduit barely missing the primary. Anderson Construction created a procedure that they follow to ensure their workers are safe. (Handout A)

What are the safety regulations on employees working on / around [cell towers](#)? Please see the Federal OSHA page for this information.

Guest speakers are needed at the OSHA 30. Jeff and Randy volunteered to be speakers.

The Hoffman Corporation has a job opening in Seattle, Washington. If you or someone you know is interested please visit www.hoffmancorp.com

On December 26, 2014 the Supreme Court decision reversed the reasoning of the Court of Appeals in the CBI Services case regarding employer knowledge.
[OR-OSHA v CBI Services SC061183 \(12-26-14\).pdf](#)

The GOSH conference is March 9-12, 201. The program is available [online](#) and registration is now open.

The Mid Oregon Safety Summit is the end of January in Bend, also the meeting in Portland has been moved forward 1 week.

Next Meeting: February 3, 2015 at 9:00 am, AGC Building, Wilsonville