

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, March 1, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Alta Schafer	Emily Nye	Melissa Diede
Barry Moreland	Gary Beck	Michael Wood
Bret Taylor	Glenn Curry	Mike Riffe
Brian Silbernagel	Jeff Wilson	Pat Brunson
Candice Vinson	Kevin Wheatcroft	Paul Magrone
Clark Vermillion	Mark Hillyard	Roy Kroker
Dawn Morse	Mark Tobiasson	Russ Nicolai
Eliot Lapidus	Mary Lou Wilson	

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Taylor.

Self-introductions were made.

Minutes of the February meeting were approved.

Lessons Learned:

Kudos were given: Craig Hamelund's presentation was great and Holt Andron did a great job presenting his information as well.

There was an HVAC employee in Arizona that was cited for a fall protection rule because there was no guardrail in place. They did have a warning line at 10 feet though. What is Oregon's rule on this subject?

Please visit the Oregon OSHA Web Page, or look at the following links.

[Oregon OSHA Using Warning Line Fact Sheet](#)

[Oregon OSHA Warning Line Training Video](#)

[Oregon OSHA Memorandum](#)

Bret suggested that companies should review their shoring tab data often to ensure they are using it correctly.

SDS: What does readily available mean?

-Employees need to have the SDS available, they need to know where and / or how to find them; i.e. online with a cell phone or laptop, have hard copies with them, etc.

The group would like Dave McLaughlin to come speak to the group again about the SDS requirements.

Nathan Taylor added- When you are looking for an SDS sheet online here is a tip on how to "Google" the query.

If, for example, if you are looking up Chevron soluble oil, type in the line below.

"chevron soluble oil" "sds" -MSDS filetype:pdf

Be sure to add all shown punctuation. You may also include other terms (put in quotes) that are guaranteed to be on the sheet such as CAS numbers.

Caution tape vs. Danger tape:

Can the danger tape be used without a posted explanation?

Confined Space Rescue Training:

Can the competent person train the employees in their company to rescue anyone, or does it need to be an actual certified training person?

- If the company says it is ok and takes responsibility for that competent person then yes. OSHA doesn't have certification training in place for this. The training would be to your specific job needs.

Continuing Business:

Status of Rule Making:

Fall Protection:

The rule was adopted as of February 29, 2016 with the effective date of January 1, 2017.

Oregon OSHA will be working on a letter of interpretation for Fall Protection in Excavation: Barriers / Guard Rails. Jeff will have more information at the next meeting.

Fed OSHA will be rolling out the new Silica standards and electronic Record Keeping.

Monthly Accidents and Fatalities Report:

Accidents

1. 2-1 Astoria

An Employee was attempting to pull a kink out of dropline from the carriage. While standing in the coiled cable on the ground, the drop line was engaged and the victim was suspended approximately 20' above the ground before falling to a lower level. Victim received broken ribs.

2. 2-3 Grants Pass

The employee's hand was caught in a table saw blade resulting in an avulsion and fracture.

3. 2-15 Tigard

A 5 man crew was working at new sub division at a job site. EE had entered manhole base and was setting grout on pipe joints. EE climbed shoring to exit manhole base and fell off of shoring to 6 ft. below. Injured EE climbed out on his own and complained of back pain to foreman.

4. 2-24 Dee
Employee was struck by tree
5. 2-16 Eugene
The worker had a truck accident. He was driving a company vehicle when he drove off the road. He was admitted to the surgical suite to remove foreign objects from his head.
6. 2-8 Madras
It was frosty on the roof and the employee fell off. It was a 9 ft eave to ground fall height, no fall protection required.
7. Portland. 2/25
Fall to a lower level.

Fatalities

1. 2-3 Hwy 97
Truck driven by a 65 year old male went off the highway went up an embankment and tipped over on its side. OSP investigated and determined the employee made no evasive moves at the time of the incident. The ambulance service was on site. EKG for the victim showed no response. Per the employer, the employee had his yearly physical the prior month. ME to investigate.
2. 2-5 Seaside
A police officer was shot during an attempt to arrest a suspect.
3. 2-6 Hood River
A 62 year old male fell from an orchard ladder and sustained a minor scrape on his shoulder. Later the victim was diagnosed with Necrotizing Fasciitis (flesh eating bacteria). The victim died on 2-11-2016
4. 2-18 Elsie
A cedar tree had been cut by the victim to help clear a previously cut alder that hung up. The cedar tree struck and killed the 47 year old faller.
5. 2-23 Hillsboro
The 55 year old male was found sitting in an office space. The preliminary report from the ME indicated a myocardial infarction.

Round table:

Oregon OSHA's Public Information Officer, Aaron Corvin, will be joining the next meeting to meet the group.

Alta will be on maternity leave starting March 14, 2016 and returning to work June 1, 2016. Stephanie Ficek will be filling in for her for the meetings.

Gary announced that Oregon OSHA has a Bend Field Office Manager position open.

Next Meeting: April 5, 2016 OR-OSHA Portland Office
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