

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, November 1, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Alta Schafer	Emily Crews	Michael Wood
Barb Epstien	Gary Beck	Nathan Taylor
Barry Moreland	Jeff Wilson	Pat Brunson
Bret Taylor	Jeremy Lawson	Peggy Munsell
Brian Silbernagel	Jim Mahar	Renee Stapleton
Bruce Roller	Lisa Holland	Robert Miller
Bryan Davis	Mark Hillyard	Ron Haverkost
Clark Vermillion	Mark Tobiasson	Ryan Schurr
David Davidson	Mary Lou Wilson	Trena VanDeHey
Dawn Morse	Melissa Diede	

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Taylor.
Self-introductions were made.
Minutes of the October meeting were approved with a few changes.

Lessons Learned:

Someone was injured in a hole and the two OSHA compliance officers who came out were professional and did a great job. They took the time to learn the details of what the job entails and they were pleasant to work with.

It is “No Shave November” where you don’t shave your face all month. Having a beard will make wearing a respirator difficult.

Continuing Business:

Status of Rule Making:

Tracking of injuries and illnesses

There was a discussion about people who have incentives for drug testing. Fed OSHA came out with a [fact sheet](#), and [rule information](#) last month.

PEL Technical Workgroup:

The first meeting will be held November 8, 2016. The group will meet a few times to discuss/advice OR-OSHA on 4-6 Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL’s) that should be updated.

Monthly Accidents and Fatalities Report:

Accidents

1. October 4th Springfield
The employee fell from a ladder and received head trauma. The fall height was approximately 37 to 51 inches.
2. October 4th Corvallis
While the employee was accessing the roof to tie into a safety system, he stepped into an open skylight and fell to a lower level. He sustained broken bones in his back.
3. October 9th Estacada
Male worker injured during house moving project using a large moving dolly (which supports the house during moving)
4. October 10th PDX
Employee was climbing up a ladder when he slipped and fell resulting in broken ankles and wrist.
during moving) ran over worker's legs.
5. October 11th Rainer
Workers were conducting paving operations. One lane closure with pilot car (south bound). A car (in a line of cars) following the pilot pulled out approx. 50-60 feet behind the crew. Car hit paving machine, pinning the employee to the paving machine.
6. October 12th PDX
Employee was cutting chamfer strip with a cordless circular saw when he cut the tip of his left index finger off. Employee was wearing gloves at the time of the incident.
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Employee was utilizing a sling and 3 quarter ton come along attached to a shackle and pad eye on the vessel in order to move bundled tubes. The pad eye came free and shot back hitting the employee in the left temple knocking him unconscious. Employees nearby administered first aid until the ambulance arrived.
8. October 13th Silverton
Employee bought a new pair of steel-toed boots for work on September 23, 2016. Both of his feet became infected and he admitted himself to the Salem Hospital where they amputated two toes. One from each foot. The employee also has type 2 diabetes.
9. October 19th PDX
An installer was working to identify a condensate pipe hole. The employee may have slipped or tripped. The employee fell onto a guardrail which gave way. The employee fell from second story window to the ground level, resulting in a broken thumb and upper arm. The guard rail was fastened on the exterior of the apartment building.
10. October 10th PDX
Employee was climbing up a ladder when he slipped and fell resulting in broken ankles and wrist.

11. October 23rd Redland

Moving from one part of the roof to another. Employee climbed a step ladder and stood to on a top plate to assist with a truss. He was not using a harness/tied off. Truss fell. Employee fell backward off top plate approx. 22 feet to the ground. He landed on the ground resulting in a broken arm and lacerations.

12. October 24th PDX

Employees were taking apart a heat exchanger from the chiller system. The victim was bent down with a cutting torch, cutting pipe, with two other workers working next to him. Another worker used a fork truck to lift a pipe they were working on and a leg of the heat exchanger drove into the victim's lower leg. This resulted in a deep laceration to the lower leg/calf.

13. October 25th PDX

Employee was working on scaffolding on top of plywood covering a hole and it failed and he fell and his leg got caught in the hole and he broke his leg.

Fatalities

1. October 1st Dexter

A commercial motor vehicle pulling double fuel tankers veered off the right shoulder causing a trailer to overturn and ignite on fire. The vehicle combination became fully engulfed in flames and information indicates that the deceased (62 year old male) was unable to exit the vehicle.

2. October 2nd Lakeside

A cook (61 year old male) died of a heart attack.

3. October 17th Salem

While working as a dispatcher for the State Police an employee had a professional complaint made against her, resulting in disciplinary action. Following the event she went to her car to take a break and was found later with a self-inflicted fatal gunshot wound.

4. October 21st Condon

The victim was operating a Honda 4x4 Ranger ATV with no helmet at an approximate speed of 20-30 MPH down the driveway/road into property going south bound. The victim was on the right hand side of the road on a dip and a blind curve when another ranch employee driving a 1970's pickup going northbound collided with the victim, resulting in head trauma/broken neck. She was pronounced dead at the scene.

5. October 22nd PDX

An employee shot and killed a fellow employee and later the employee shot himself when the police showed up.

6. October 27th Westfir

The employee was working by himself. He called on the radio to the crew to let them know he was hurt. When the crew arrived, the employee was found in a hole/depression. The employee stated that his back was hurting. One crew member got down into the hole with the employee. The emergency crew arrived and began CPR. The employee passed away shortly after.

Round table:

[Melissa said there was a quad bar that is being used in Australia for ATV's as a roll cage to reduce injuries.](#)

The Construction Safety Summit is November 22, 2016 and the topic is Lock Out/Tag Out. It will be at John's Incredible Pizza from 11am - 3pm

The Oregon OSHA Fact Sheet came out. There was a discussion on the layout; it is in numerical order by rule. If you have questions or comments on any of the OSHA Fact Sheets, please email the technical team.

There was a discussion about cloud based software for safety meetings. NICA uses a safety meeting app where you can upload tool box talks, and there is a report you can print that shows agenda's, attendance, etc.

Another company uses a skype based system that allows you to see attendance reports.

Barry handed out an [information sheet on Silica](#). The website has a link that lets you create a plan to reduce your risk.

There are new ["It's the Law" posters](#) available.

Barb Epstien provided the [track calendar for GOSH 2017](#).

Trena VanDeHey is the new Standards and Appeals Manager for Oregon OSHA. Peggy Munsell is retiring in December.

Gary discussed the [TC excavation case and there will be a news release](#). There are a couple willful violations in this case.

Oregon OSHA is hosting a training on Foundation Support/Earth Retention systems. There is no charge as Oregon OSHA is footing the bill. Craig is asking for RSVPs simply to maintain a count. You may want to preface it as first come, first served. I'm still hoping we'll have enough room for all but if it does exceed my expectations, I'll look at who inquired first. If it really balloons, I would then limit it to one or two from the same company. Please contact him at Craig.Hamelund@oregon.gov

Next Meeting:

December 6, 2016

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