

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, January 7, 2020

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Al Lee	Dede Montgomery	Nathan Taylor
Alta Schafer	Dennis Barlow	Nevin McLain
Andy Colins	Dennis Cox	Pat Brunson
Anna Kelly	Emily Crews	Paul Magrone
Barb Epstien	Eric Connelly	Renee Stapleton
Barry Moreland	Eric Fullan	Robert Henderson
Bri Hume	Jake Errico	Robert Miller
Brian Ortiz	Jared Ottinger	Roy Shawgo
Bryon Snapp	Jeff Wilson	Sean Tinker
Chris Jordan	Judy Cushing	Steve Barrett
Chris Miller	Laird Blanchard	Stephen Heaven
Chris Ottoson	Lane Ellison	Steve Huson
Clark Vermillion	Lynn Craig	Steve Spurlock
Dale Lindstrom	Mark Spring	Tom Sowa
David Davidson	Mark Tobiasson	Tony Howard
David Palmer	Mike Jacobs	Will Sims

The meeting was called to order by Mark Tobiasson.
Self-introductions were made.

The December meeting minutes were approved.

Lessons Learned:

There was a company working in a high school painting the conduit and it was not being ventilated. Make sure when you are working that it is ventilated.

Continuing Business:

Status of Rule Making:

PEL's-

[Manganese](#): Oregon OSHA is working on a proposal, and should be done by March.

Lead: Still working on this rulemaking.

Employer Knowledge and Penalty Updates-

There is a Fiscal Impact Advisory Committee that will meet in January to discuss both of these subjects.

Respirators-

There will be a public hearing on the [respirator appendices](#) today at the Salem Field Office. Public comment period is open until January 24, 2020.

Public Entities-

Consultation will be updating division 1 rules.

Firefighting-

Oregon OSHA will be working on rulemaking for Non-entry farm land.

The group discussed crane certification evaluations. [Oregon OSHA Program Directive 296: Inspection and Citation Guidance for Cranes and Derricks in Construction](#) (page 134).

Monthly Accidents and Fatalities Report:

The following is preliminary information as reported at the time of the accident intake.

Accidents

1. December 30th, The Dalles

The owner was operating a tractor (skid-steer) leveling out gravel rock. The tractor has two pedals, one for reverse operation and one for forward (according to the owner). While looking back to go in reverse, his foot slipped off and hit the forward pedal. This action caused the tractor to drive forward crushing an employee in between the tractor and a wall causing internal organ lacerations and bleeding.

2. December 30th, Nyssa

Employees were building a red iron structure. While using a forklift setting beams for the roof structure, one of the beams fell over striking an employee in the left leg, breaking it.

3. December 18th, Ashland

Employee fell off ladder and broke/dislocated foot. Employee's feet were ½ way up the 10-foot ladder when she fell.

4. December 16th, Eugene

The victim was working on a baker scaffold approximately 5.5 feet up giving measurements to another employee who was standing on the ground. The victim took a miss-step, fell off the baker scaffold and hit his head resulting to a laceration to the head.

5. December 31st, Beaverton

Commercial roofers were on an entry-level roof approximately 10 feet above the ground on a canopy type structure and were using a monitor system for fall protection. The injured employee stepped on steel grate that was approximately 4' x 5', it failed, and the employee fell approximately 10 feet to the concrete below and landed on left shoulder and the back of his head. Employee did not lose consciousness but was dizzy and was transported to the hospital to get checked out. Employee was held for observation because of the head injury.

6. December 16th, Sandy

Employee was in the process removing an aerial line from a utility pole to a business. His ladder was set up on a mid-span of a utility line. When he cut the line to the business, it caused a ripple effect on the line his ladder was on resulting in a slingshot motion causing the employee to fall. Fall distance is approximately 18 feet to a gravel parking lot.

7. December 17th, McMinnville

Employee was using a table saw and cut the tip of the finger.

8. December 23rd, Lake Oswego

An employee fell 14 feet onto a concrete floor through a hole in an elevated concrete slab floor on the 2nd story of a new apartment unit being built resulting in a fractured pelvis, wrist, and a head laceration.

9. December 20th, Newport

Employee was working on a ladder when the ladder fell approximately 7 feet to the ground below. Employee was attempting to secure loose panels on the roof. It was very windy. The accident resulted in a broken bone.

Fatalities

1. December 24th, Grants Pass

Employee was found unresponsive in the staff meeting/break room. CPR and 911 activation. Ambulance arrived but did not transport. Presumed natural causes. 43-year-old male.

2. December 16th, Junction City

Security found employee unconscious in the prone position; he rolled the employee over and found his face was bloody. Security requested code blue, CPR performed by staff. EMS arrived and took over

CPR, employee was pronounced deceased at the scene. Employee's shift ended at 11pm, this was his first day back to work after calling in. 62-year-old male.

3. December 16th, Springfield

SUV traveling south bound, traveled up on the curb striking employee. Employee was transported to hospital, where he passed away the next day. 60-year-old male.

4. December 11th, Prineville

Employee was on break with co-worker when he collapsed. Co-worker began CPR immediately. EMS arrived and attempted to resuscitate for 45 minutes. Pronounced deceased at the scene, presumed heart attack. 54-year-old male.

5. December 5th, Corvallis

The employee was crushed between the backhoe and a dump truck. EMS arrived on scene; the employee was transported to the hospital where he passed away. 47-year-old male.

6. December 30th, Beaverton

Custodian was found unresponsive in the hallway next to his work cart. No signs of trauma. ME determined cause of death was natural causes. 48-year-old male.

Oregon OSHA Opinion and Order:

Oregon OSHA discussed a fatality case from 2018.

Anonymous Questions:

If you have anything you would like to bring up at the meetings and would like to stay anonymous, let Mark Tobiasson or Nathan Taylor know and they will bring it up for you.

Round table:

Construction Safety Summit: January 24, 2020 is the Safety Directors Round Table at the Lucky Lab Brewing.

January 28, 2020 is the Oregon OSHA Update presented by Michael Wood at John's Incredible Pizza.

The Eugene Safety Summit is meeting January 16, 2020 at Roaring Rapids Pizza. The topic is Safety Orientations for New Hires.

AGC:

February 13, 2020: [Serious Injury & Fatality \(SIF\) Prevention](#) event 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. Open to all.

Judy Cushing- Oregon Construction Industry for Suicide Prevention Task Force by [Lines for Life](#), part of the National Suicide Prevention. There are many tools that are available for free that anyone can use.

Oregon Institute of Occupational Health Sciences- In April they will host another meeting on Aggression in the Workplace. Their last one was well received. If you have any thoughts or ideas, contact [Dede Montgomery](#).

[Anna Kelly](#) shared that the Oregon Institute of Occupational Health Sciences Safety Research Lab is interested in partnering with companies. If you are interested please contact her.

ATV-UTV side by sides, do the operators need to wear helmets?

[Oregon OSHA has a fact sheet](#). You have to do a hazard assessment.

If you have any topics that you would like Oregon OSHA to talk about to the group, please let [Alta Schafer](#) or [Mark Tobiasson](#) know.

Next Meeting:

February 4, 2020

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