

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, October 6, 2020

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Al Lee	Diana Lowe	Michael Wood
Alta Schafer	Doug Pettyjohn	Nathan Taylor
Barb Epstien	Emily Crews	Nevin McClain
Barbra Hanley	Eric Bongen	Phillip Wade
Barry Moreland	Eric Fullan	Renee Stapleton
Brad Nanke	Jared Ottinger	Rhett Beecher
Braxton Chambers	Jeremy Lawson	Rick McMurry
Bryan Ortiz	Jim Mahar	Robert Miller
Bryon Snapp	Joaquin Diaz	Robirda Lee
Chris Grover	John Mastro Monaco	Roy Shwago
Chris Ottoson	Julie Love	Ryan Leffel
Clark Vermillion	Lane Ellison	Sean Tinker
Darren Toy	Lisa Pickert	Stephen Heaven
Dave McLaughlin	Lisa Wisler	Steve Huson
David Davidson	Lynn Craig	Tosha Gilpin
Dede Montgomery	Mark Tobiasson	Tyler Robinson
Denis Bonin	Mary Lou Wilson	
Dennis Cox	Matt Kaiser	

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Taylor.

The September meeting minutes were approved.

The minutes will be emailed out to the group before the following meeting for review. If there are changes that need to be made please email Nathan Taylor and Alta Schafer. We will not review the minutes during the meeting, only vote to approve them.

Lessons Learned:

Nothing was shared.

Monthly Accidents and Fatalities Report:

If there is an accident or fatality incident that you would like more information on let Nathan and Jeff know so we can track it and can discuss once the case is able to be discussed.

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

Accidents

1. September 25th Winchester

According to the owner, the employee fell from the roof and hit the ground. When he arrived at the site after being called, the employee was under the care of the ambulance crew with an assumed head injury. The employee was unconscious. The employer observed the ambulance crew cutting the harness off the employee and that there was rope on the ground where the employee fell.

2. September 24th Clackamas
Employee was stepping down from the scaffolding using a vertical access ladder when he fell 14 feet. He was wearing his hardhat when he fell and hit his head on the ground below.
3. September 22nd Aloha
Cut left arm using a skill saw. Using a skill saw while on a roof to cut fascia board when left arm was cut.
4. September 22nd Portland
A construction jobsite experienced a drive by shooting.
5. September 17th Salem
Employee was training another employee and a juvenile on how to operate a wood planer. The employee who was training, opened the wood planer to clean it while it was still operating and his glove got caught in the moving parts. This resulted in an amputation of his right hand.

Fatalities

1. September 24th Portland
The employee suddenly collapsed and hit their head. He was standing next to the printer in the main office at the end of his shift when he became dizzy, fell and hit his head. Per Medical Examiner cause of death was heart failure (Cardio Vascular Disease). 47 year old male.
2. September 21st, Reedsport
Worker was returning from break and collapsed on her way back to her desk. Employee was not exposed to heat or chemicals. Smoke from wildfires has been gone 2 weeks and while there was smoke the air was filtered in the office. 72 year old female.
3. September 11th, Portland
DUI hit a car then crashed into the manager outside the restaurant at an outdoor table. 36 year old male.
4. September 10th Beaverton
Employee was walking back from break when he had a heart attack and fell on the ground. He was given CPR and AED by the employer and coworkers. 72 year old male.

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.

Question: Will the new temporary COVID rule require full time safety glasses and gloves on construction projects?

Answer: No.

Question: If employees are riding together in company vehicles but not on the clock, can the face covering requirement be enforced?

Answer: If using a company vehicle the employer can impose that they wear facial coverings, but if it is on non-work time, Oregon OSHA does not have jurisdiction. The company will have to deal with the public complaints though.

Case Synopsis:

Renee reviewed a fatality inspection that occurred in 2019 involving a grapple skidder being used by a municipality. The inspection resulted in 5 serious violations related to the maintenance of the skidder and operator training.

Continuing Business:

Status of Rule Making:

Employer Knowledge and Penalty Updates-

Public comment is open until October 30, 2020.

Manganese has an effective delay date of July 1, 2021.

Infectious Disease Rule Making:

Oregon OSHA is in the process of creating an emergency temporary rule and a permanent rule on Infectious Diseases. [Matt Kaiser](#) is the contact person for this rule.

The draft appendix comments are due by October 8, 2020.

The rule right now will be adopted October 21, 2020 with an effective date of November 1, 2020.

Dave apologized for the technical issues we had during the public hearings. We have never held public hearings this way so we are learning how it works.

Round table:

Construction Safety Summit is October 27, 2020. It will be held virtually again and it will be on Large Format and Construction Vehicle Backing and Spotting.

The November 17, 2020 meeting will be on cranes, and there will not be a December meeting.

Dede shared the recording from the Sept. 24 CPWR-NIOSH webinar presentation by Robert Camarillo, Averie Foster, and me Responding to COVID-19 on the Job Site – News from the Oregon COVID-19 Joint Construction Safety Task is now available:

<https://www.cpw.com/news-and-events/informational-webinar-series/>

Better Practices web site: <https://www.ohsu.edu/oregon-institute-occupational-health-sciences/oregon-covid-19-construction-task-force-resources>

CWC ASSP meeting will be presented by Steven Frost on suicide prevention via Zoom. No cost but register - <https://cwc.assp.org/events/assp-cwc-october-membership-meeting-2020-no-cost-webinar/>?

Phillip Wade of Oregon OSHA shared the suite of online courses for fall protection training link: <https://osha.oregon.gov/edu/courses/Pages/fall-protection-construction.aspx>
Barry Moreland add that he just used that fall protection course for training of apprentices - was nicely done - thanks

Denis shared the Eugene area safety meeting will be October 15, 2020 at Long Timbers Brewery @ 3:30pm.

John Mastromonaco shared the TCM/safer alliance meeting is October 28, 2020 from 3:00pm – 4:30pm. They will discuss the latest innovations. Contact him if you are interested.

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:

November 3, 2020
Zoom Meeting