

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG

Kootenai County Utilities Council

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KOOTENAI COUNTY UTILITIES COUNCIL

OCTOBER MINUTES

October 7, 2015: Meeting was called to order by Mike Galante with 17 members present. Motion was made to approve the minutes, motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Income- PassWord: \$3,625.80 Dues: \$00.00, Reimbursed Expenses:\$ 0.00
Total Income: \$3,625.80 Expenses: \$450.66 Net Income: \$3,175.14. Checking account balance \$23,612.46
Motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report.

Speaker: None scheduled

OLD BUSINESS

Coalition Group:

The Coalition group is voting to accept the latest draft of the Dig Law, the changes in this draft are that the Damage Prevention Board size be reduced from 15 to 7 members, all dig law enforcement would go through the Damage Prevention Board, the maximum fine would be reduced from \$10,000 to \$5,000 and data collection reporting times will be set by the board. We will send out a copy of the new draft.

Issue with Dew Drop Sprinkler's & Master's Fence:

The council sent a letter to both companies informing them of the law and consequences of not calling for or starting before locates are due to be done. The letter to Master's Fence was returned, we will find the new address and resend it.

State Meeting:

The IDUCC fall meeting was held in Boise on the 10th & 11th of September, Bruce & Jim attended on behalf of the council. The meeting was well attended and informative, they had 2 speakers at the meeting. Tyler Muzzana with Intermountain Gas gave a presentation on Preventing & Mitigating Sewer Cross Bores which was very interesting and informative. The other was Pat Coldwell with T-O Engineers who did a very good presentation on Call Before You Design a guideline for engineering locates, this is a very good guideline that we need to review as a council. Pat is doing a little tweaking on the guideline after some of the discussion at the state meeting and will e-mail us a copy when finished. The draft of the revised Dig Law is ready to be voted on by the coalition group and if approved it will move on towards legislative approval. The Joint States meeting will be held in Idaho in September 2016 it looks like it will be at the Coeur d Alene Casino more to follow as more details are finalized.

Presentation Request:

We received an e-mail from Linda Phillips stating that she had found a speaker to do the presentation at the Ground Water Assoc. workshop on Nov. 13th in Cda so we won't need to worry about it.

NEW BUSINESS

Call Before you Design:

Ben Weymouth with T-O Engineers has offered to give our council a presentation on this at our next meeting. This will be on the revised guidelines that were presented at the state meeting. Thanks for volunteering to do this presentation!

USIC Locating Services:

We welcomed Jeff McGovern from USIC Locating Services to the meeting he is the field supervisor for this area. They do the locating for Frontier Communications now for our area. Thanks for attending!

Upcoming Projects:

None

PassWord Report: Emergency calls were 59, an increase of 13 calls. Normal calls were 1,546 an increase of 158 calls. Year to date totals 13,113 which is an increase of 1,595 calls from last year.

PLEASE remember to send in Dig-Up information to PassWord.

Contractor Report: Time Warner Cable- Subdivisions, pole transfers, fiber to business's and maintenance. **Eastside Highway District-** Fall maintenance, grading, ditching and brushing. **Fatbeam-** Fiber builds to Numerica Credit Unions. **East Greenacres Irrigation District-** Subdivisions, irrigation turn-offs and Prairie Ave waterline replacement. **City of Cda-** Trails subdivision, Lake Forest West 2nd Addition, Riverstone Seniors, Northshire service replacements and Fairway storm drain. **Ruen-Yeager-** Plummer bridge SH-5 inspections for ITD and storm water monitoring for Highway Districts. **Avista-** Gas main extension on Lancaster Road, Appleway feeder replacement project approx. 11 weeks, Spokane River bore, developments and finishing Govt. Way project.

Drawing for paid lunch: Bruce Hathaway with Fatbeam name was drawn and his lunch was paid for by the council.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting, motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

ATTENDING MEMBERS

Mike Galante- North Kootenai Water District
John Pankratz- Eastside Highway District
Bruce Hathaway- Fatbeam
Rob Street- Time Warner Cable
Ron Wilson- East Greenacres Irrigation District
Terry Pickel- City of CDA
Rod Bacon- PassWord
Sean Moore- Melex Detection
Mike Phillips-City of Rathdrum

Matt Harwood- Ruen-Yeager
Ki Moulaxart- PassWord
Laura Winter- Ruen-Yeager
Rick Edmiston- Utility Locating Services
Marie Brown- PassWord
Jim Pope - Avista
Ben Weymouth- T-O Engineers
Jeff McGovern- USIC

NEXT MEETING:

**NOVEMBER 4, 2015
AT NOON AT
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