QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency

MINUTES

QLife Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday November 30, 2010 4PM The Dalles City Hall, 313 Court Street 2nd Floor Conference Room

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Ericksen at 4:04pm

Roll Call

In attendance: Bill Lennox, Dan Spatz, Brian Ahier Staff: Keith Mobley, Nolan Young, Izetta Grossman, John Amery

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Ahier and seconded by Lennox to approve the Agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously, 1 absent

Approval of October, 2010 QLife Regular Board Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Lennox to approve the minutes of the 10/19/10 QLife Regular Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously, 1 absent.

Financial Reports

Young reviewed the financial reports for October 2010. There were no questions

Action Items

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Lennox to reappoint Dave Karlson to QLife Budget Committee (term expiring 6/30/12). Motion carried unanimously, 1 absent.

Discussion Items

- a. Survey of Broadband Coverage and Internet Availability
- b. Wasco County Broadband Plan
- c. Development of a QLife 10 year Strategic Action Plan

Young presented the idea of pursuing the A, B, C creation of survey/plans. These items would require budget consideration in the next Fiscal Year in order to hire someone to complete these items.

Larson arrived at 4:08pm

After much discussion regarding which item was needed first, second, third it was the consensuses of the Board to have Mobley create a plan of action and then work on RFP for projects. Mobley will bring plan of action back to the board in January.

d. Airport Industrial Park Fiber Optic System

Young presented the concept of QLife looking into providing fiber to the 7-10 industrial lots being developed at the Columbia Gorge Regional Airport in Dallesport. They are anticipating that grant funds will cover the costs. After some discussion on who else has fiber over the river it was the consensus of the Board to remain open to this opportunity. Mobley reminded the Board that providing fiber over the river changes QLife to an interstate provider (more reports and fees). Mobley will research the implications and options for connection.

Reports

Status of WiFi RFP – Young reported that the Pre-Bid Meeting would be held on Dec 22nd at 10am in the Council Chambers if anyone wanted to attend. Google will review proposals and City Council is scheduled to award the contract on January 24th.

Aristo Operational Management Report - John Amery

Status of redundancy/bisector project – the negotiations with St. Mary's fell through, however there is a public easement at that site. Commsutructures is working with PUD for the study PUD requires for QLife running another line. Eric Orton of Commsturctures feels that everything will be fine. Study should be completed on 12/17 and an RFP ready for the work by 12/10. Amery estimated that the work would be completed by the end of February 2011.

Amery reported that due to a potential new customer additional work might be required at Big Eddy. He is scheduling west side loop work at the same time as the Bisector Project to save funds.

Amery informed the Board that the new electronic will allow 10 gig sales. He prefers lit fiber to dark fiber as dark fiber is difficult to trouble shoot. Ahier asked when would we know the pricing. Larson asked for a report on the pros/cons of 10 gig service with pricing by the February meeting.

Ericksen and Lennox don't know who will be the County QLife representatives after January when they both go off the commission. Ericksen would like to stay on the Board but the decision is up to the new commission.

Next Meeting Dates:

Regular Board Meeting December 21, 2010 4pm

Adjourn

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5pm

Respectfully submitted by/ Izetta Grossman, Recording Secretary

Attest

Erick Larson, Secretary/Treasurer