

QLife Network

QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency

MINUTES

QLife Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday March 17, 2009
The Dalles City Hall, 313 Court Street
2nd Floor Conference Room
3:30 pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Ericksen at 3:40pm

Roll Call

In attendance: Board members: Erick Larson, Brian Ahier, Dan Spatz. Staff: Nolan Young, Keith Mobley, John Amery, Izetta Grossman.

Approval of Agenda

Young asked to add Action Item: The Dalles Area Utility Commission Membership. It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Larson to approve the Agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously, 1 absent.

Approval of February 24, 2009 Minutes QLife Regular Board Meeting

It was moved by Larson and seconded by Spatz to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2009 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously, 1 absent.

Financial Reports – reviewed by Young, no questions.

- a. **February Financial Reports**
- b. **List of Disbursements since Last Meeting (billing not yet done)**

Action Items

- a. **Adopt FY 2009-10 Financial Priorities Policy** - it was moved by Spatz and 2nd by Ahier to adopt the FY 2009-10 Financial Priorities Policy as presented.
- b. **The Dalles Area Utility Council Membership** - Young explained this council is a group that included the City, County, NWC PUD, Chenoweth Water, Embarq, NW Natural Gas that gets grants for the Call before you dig program. QLife has been invited to join. Membership is \$40/year and requires attendance at a monthly meeting. Young suggested that Jim Schwinof be asked to represent QLife at these meetings, as he is the person who handles the “dig tickets” for QLife. It was the consensus of the Board to join and ask Jim Schwinof to attend the meetings.

Reports

- a. **Aristo Operational Management Report** – Amery reported that the fiber repair costs were close to \$40,000. He doesn't have everything in yet. He brought a case to show the fiber.
- b. **Bisector Project/Redundancy Project Progress** – Amery reported he is still working on cutting construction costs. Eric Orton is on vacation and when he returns they will get together to review options.
- c. **Dan Spatz** reported on Broadband stimulus package meeting that he attended while in Washington DC with the Outreach Team. The focus is on underserved areas, education, healthcare, law enforcement and business development. Link Shadley is working on draft ideas. The specific guidelines for proposals have not been established. The large telecom companies are going after the \$7 billion.

The board asked that the following ideas be passed on to Link:

1. Expand the Qlife area of service
2. Wireless cloud
3. Maupin Education Service
4. Fringe area expansion

5. Law enforcement

Next Meeting Dates:

Budget Committee Meeting April 28, 009 3:30 pm

Regular Board Meeting April 28, 2009 directly following in the Budget Committee meeting

Adjourn

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:23pm

Submitted by

Izetta Grossman

Recording Secretary

Signed: _____
Erick Larson, Sec/Tres