

Q-Life Board Meeting - July 24, 2025 Minutes

Wasco County 7/24/2025 12:00 PMPDT @ 2345 River Rd, The Dalles, OR 97058

Attendance

Present:

Members: John Amery, Andrew Danies, Scott Hege, Greg Johnson, Matthew Klebes, Roger Kline (remote), Liz Lance, Shayla Maki, Sue Powers, Rod Runyon, Chris Walker, Lee Weinstein

Guests: Travis Stenhjem (remote)

Absent:

Members: Tyler Stone, Nancy Werner

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 12:04 PM

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion:

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion moved by Scott Hege and motion seconded by Rod Runyon. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Consent Agenda

- A. June 26, 2025 Minutes
 - Q-Life Board Meeting June 26, 2025 Minutes.pdf
- B. July 17, 2025 Minutes
 - Q-Life Special Board Meeting July 17, 2025 Minutes.pdf

Motion:

Motion to approve both sets of minutes as presented.

Motion moved by Scott Hege and motion seconded by Greg Johnson. Motion passed unanimously. Scott Hege abstained from voting on the July 17th minutes as he was unable to attend the session.

IV. Discussion Items

A. Administration & Project Updates (Presenters: Liz Lance, Andrew Danies)

- Business Update: Current focus is on BEAD Work.
- **BEAD Update:** Focus remains on BEAD. The application is open and due Sunday. Q-Life is prequalified, but a pause has been announced. Targeting submission Friday afternoon. Oregon Broadband Office and CTC will review all submissions.
- USDA Grant Update: USDA partnership continues to go well. The grant has been awarded and is helping offset BEAD-related costs. Reimbursements are actively being submitted.
- MCEDD & BAT Update: Next Broadband Action Team meeting expected August 5.
- B. Aristo Technical Management Report (Presenters: John Amery)

The only focus lately has been solely BEAD.

- 20250721 Aristo Technical Management Report.pdf
- C. Public Comment

This time is intended to invite any member of the public to provide an update on ongoing projects related to delivering broadband access in the region.

- V. Action Items (Presenters: Liz Lance, Nancy Werner)
 - None at this time.
- VI. Finance (Presenters: Shayla Maki)

Shayla notes that we are at the end of the fiscal year. At the next board meeting, the goal is to bring forward trend data, such as graphs and charts. All of the funds are in good shape, noting that AR has come down since the report was created. At this time we are waiting on Q4 Maupin franchise fees before finalizing fiscal year 2025.

- A. Prior Month Financial Analysis
 - FY25 2025-06 June Financial Statement.pdf
 - FY25 2025-06 June Financial Notes.pdf
 - Q-Life Financial Summary FY25 2025-06.pdf
- VII. 5-Minute Break
- VIII. Executive Session (Presenters: Liz Lance)

Executive Session ORS 192.660(2)(f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection. ORS 192.660(2)(g) To consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governing body is in competition with governing bodies in other states or nations. ORS 192.660(2)(n) To discuss information about review or approval of programs relating to the security of telecommunications systems.

Executive Session Script fgn records trade and security of telecom systems.pdf

IX. Discussion Topic

Meeting adjourned at 1:42pm.