# **Oregon OSHA**

Construction Advisory Committee Tuesday, September 6, 2022

# **Meeting Minutes**

## Attendees:

Al Lee Doug Biron Laird Blanchard Doug Pettyjohn Alden Strealy Lisa Wisler Alta Schafer Eden Berestoff Lynn Craig Amme Standring Eric Elkins Mark Spring Angelica Valdivieso Eric Fullan Mary Lou Wilson Annmarie Earl Greig Lowell Matt Kaiser Hailey Latherow Barry Moreland Mike Brunenkant Bashiru Mumuni Ilene Ferrell Mike Jacobs Bill Haskins Jackie Boyd Milton Stamp **Brad Nanke** Jake Errico Nathan Taylor Brendan Riedel Jared Ottinger Nick Naramore **Bryan Davis** Jeff Cordill Renée Stapleton Bryan Ortiz Jeff Hooper Rick McMurry Bryon Snapp Jeff Wilson Robert Miller Chris Dahl Jennifer Flood Roy Shawgo Chris Gillett Jim Anderson Royal Willard Darby Ramos Rvan Leffel Joaquin Diaz Darren Toy Josh Schwabauer Sean Tinker Dave McLaughlin Stephen Heaven Julie Love David Davidson Justin Scott Steve Huson Dede Montgomery **Tony Howard** Kevin Kilroy Dennis Bonin **Travis Stone** Kyan Bartel

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Taylor.

## **Previous Meeting Minutes.**

The August meeting minutes were approved.

#### **Lessons Learned & Safety Suggestions:**

Seatbelts on Drill rig- the need for equipment to have seatbelts in case of a tip over is important. There is a regulatory gap and we have gone to the manufacturer and they don't offer the equipment to come with seatbelts, or have an after-market option available. Thinks there should be regulatory conversations for drilling equipment and cranes to have seatbelts.

Supervisor was driving work truck and drove through a dust cloud from a farmers tractor, and the visibility was poor. There were 2 cars in the dust cloud that had crashed and he crashed into them. No injuries, but a lesson that the reaction time needs to be much quicker.

# **Continuing Business: Status of Rule Making:**

COVID-19 rule: proposed changes through the normal rulemaking process that includes the revisions with the last temporary adoptions from March of 2022. This is necessary so that the less restrictive temporary adoptions remain in place and more restrictive provisions from December 2021 don't revert back.

https://osha.oregon.gov/OSHARules/proposed/2022/ltr-proposed-covid-19-june2022.pdf

Fed OSHA has a rulemaking agenda; they are going to be working on a COVID-19 rulemaking focused on health care settings. We don't have further information on it.

## **Oregon OSHA Spotlight:**

Each month will be something different that Oregon OSHA will spotlight. If you have any ideas on what you would like covered please let Nathan Taylor or Roberto Aguilar know.

Manganese Rules - Chris Gillette shared the Manganese rule and changes made.

#### **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. August 29<sup>th</sup>, Philomath

An employee stepped on a piece of wood and fell through the ceiling. Harness and rope were attached to the worker. Employee was taken by the ambulance to the hospital.

## 2. August 1st, Eugene

The injured employee was using a table saw to cut 2x4s and had what was described as a kick-back, which resulted in breaking the guard and getting his right middle finger and thumb caught in the saw blade.

# 3. August 9th, Bend

On 8/8/22 an employee was doing demolition for a bathroom remodel. While removing the Formica surround of an existing tub/shower enclosure. The employees hand slipped, and his right hand was cut on the Formica material. The employee also received a cut on his right calf while doing demolition work at the same location. The employee began feeling ill 8/9/22 and went to the emergency room on 8/11/22, and was admitted to the hospital. The employee was diagnosed with Cellulitis, a bacterial infection. The employee was released from the hospital on 8/14/22.

# 4. August 2<sup>nd</sup>, Bend

Working off of a combination ladder (Little Giant or similar) in step ladder mode, IP lost balance and fell from the 4th of 5 rung. He landed on the knob, injuring ribs and causing internal injuries shown by x-rays, resulting in an injury to the spleen and a broken rib.

#### 5. August 1<sup>st</sup>, Florence

Approximate 18-foot fall from roof to cement sidewalk resulting in a head injury.

#### 6. August 15<sup>th</sup>, Hillsboro

Employee was climbing down a ladder while carrying a Pneumatic nail gun when the air hose got caught on something and while pulling on the nail gun the employee was struck in the stomach with a nail.

#### 7. August 15th, Cascade Locks

Road work with lane closure funneling 55 MPH traffic into the fast lane. A vehicle could not make the merge and went right instead of left, driving onto shoulder and made contact with the employee resulting in a broken ankle.

## 8. August 12<sup>th</sup>, Portland

An employee noticed a ruptured water line near where the company's drill rig was parked. The employee attempted to move the drill rig when the ground became unstable and the

drill rig tipped over. The employee was inside the drill rig when it tipped over and his left hand was pinned under the cab. The local fire department responded to free the employee from the vehicle resulting in an injury to the hand and arm.

## 9. August 11th, Wilsonville

Two employees working together, one of the employees sitting on an overhang at an apartment complex 12 feet off the ground while holding a gutter. The other employee was setting the ladder. The employee on the overhang holding the gutter felt like he was going to fall and sat down and then slid off the overhang. When falling he caught his leg on a railing. When he landed on the railing he was then flung forward hitting his head on the ground.

#### **Fatalities**

#### 1. August 28th, Bend

Shooting resulting in homicide and attempted homicide. One employee was shot and passed away at the establishment. A second employee was shot and transported to hospital. A third victim was a customer who was shot and passed at the entrance of the establishment. Third victim is out of jurisdiction.

-is there Training on Active Shooter: alicetraining.com Clackamas County Sherriff can do training also.

## 2. August 18th, Merlin

Victim was working on the Rum Creek Fire, when a tree related to the fire fell, striking victim.

# 3. August 17th, Redmond

Owner and operator of the business, was operating a Walker T27I Lawn Tractor when he collided head on with a fence. The mower became hung up on a fence post and pinned him between the fence and the mower. The victim is believed to have asphyxiated due to the weight of the mower.

#### 4. August 24<sup>th</sup>, Oregon City

Employee was working from home, took break around 8:30pm and never returned to work. Employer became concerned, called police to conduct wellness check. Police found employee deceased, presumed natural causes.

If the employee is working from home, is it recordable? Renee: it is recordable if it is a work-related action that caused it. and that is true for the reportability of it too.

#### **Anonymous Questions:**

If you have anything you would like to bring up at the meetings and would like to stay anonymous, let Roberto Agular, Joaquin Diaz, or Nathan Taylor know and they will bring it up for you. Nothing was shared this month.

#### Round table:

Nathan: propose that the CAC meetings held not the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, but the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month. What are your thoughts?

Joaquin made a motion to approve: the motion was approved and 26 people approved and 7 people opposed. The motion has been approved and the meetings will be moved to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

Discussed the issue of contractors selling their CCB to others to use. Which causes a lot of issues for everyone involved.

On a call a person was using google translate to discuss issues and it was helpful.

Someone shared that there is an app that just says translate that you could use too. If you can find a person to translate for you that works really well also, and others agreed that a live person would be better than just using the google translate.

Bryan D: if you hire a company to do a job, as an owner, can OSHA open an investigation with you as the owner?

Renee -Yes. They can open but there could be limitations but we wot know that until they open. And it would not be an accident that is limited to an inspection.

Doug: 3M- Fundraiser- certified fall protection class you can contact Doug Biron 360-210-2425 dbiron@mmm.com

Dede: Info on our next (no cost online) 3 hour TWH 101: The Basics on Nov. 2; and our Dec. 9 symposium "Supporting a Diverse Workforce in the Face of Ongoing Societal Trauma" athttps://www.ohsu.edu/oregon-institute-occupational-health-sciences/training-and-symposia CWC ASSP meets in person this Thursday with Renee Stapleton. You should have registered by Friday.

https://cwc.assp.org/events/assp-cwc-september-membership-meeting-2022/

Dennis: The next Construction Safety Summit Meeting is on Tuesday, September 27th; 12:00 - 1:00 at the ACG Center in Wilsonville. It will be offered via Zoom as well. Join Mandi Kime as she shares information on Mental Health.

If you have any topics that you would like Oregon OSHA to talk about to the group, please let <u>Alta Schafer</u> or <u>Nathan Taylor</u> know.

#### **Next Meeting:**

October 11, 2022 Zoom Meeting -