

MINUTES
City Vehicle Accident Review Board
January 6 , 2015
Public Meeting Room #3
New City Hall
212 SW 9th St.
1:30 pm

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wright at 1:30 pm.

1. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rusty Wright, Chairman
Dennis Bothell, Equipment Maintenance
Candy Brown, Safety & Risk Manager

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Rusty Whisenhunt, Public Works Safety Rep
James Bearbow, Safety Rep
Marlon Johnson, Safety Rep
Britt Hubbard, Safety Rep
Leon McGahee
Sue Smith, HR

Excused* Unexcused**

2. Minutes:

A. Approval of minutes of December 2nd, 2014

Motion by Bothell with second by Brown to approve the minutes of December 2nd, 2014. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

3. Old Business:

A. Ramon Ortega –Streets (11/16/14)- Appeal

Mr. Ortega was present. Safety Rep James Bearbow was also present.

Mr. Ortega said he didn't see why he was penalized for helping the community and making the roads safe to drive on. He said he has worked for the City for 20 years. Ortega said that he was familiar with the old trucks. He said the truck wasn't working when he left the yard but then it started working. Wright asked if the knobs were the same as on the old truck. Ortega said no. Bothell said that is not the issue and that the old box was on the bed of a new truck. He said the box was lifted up and should not have been. Bothell said the controls are the

same but the spreader box controls are different. He said they are digital. Bothell said those beds are bolted down when we put sand boxes on them to keep them from coming up. Bothell asked if he had certified training on these trucks. Bearbow said not the cement crews. Bothell asked if someone had showed him how to work the truck before he left the PW yard. Ortega said for a couple of minutes and it was hurried. Wright said in the report Stamper states that he showed him how to use the truck. Whisenhunt said that Ortega was able to make the truck work before leaving the PW yard. Bearbow said he recently conducted an hour training class on how to use the truck. Bothell asked Ortega how long it took him to learn to use the truck in this class. He said a couple of minutes.

Motion by Whisenhunt with second by Bothell to uphold their initial ruling as a Chargeable Damage Incident with one (1) point assessed plus one (1) point due to cost of damage with a total of two (2) points assessed.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

4. New Business:

A. Albert Ozuna –Streets (11/21/14)

Mr. Ozuna was present. Safety Rep James Bearbow was also present.

Mr. Ozuna said he hooked up to a light board on Cache Road and used a nylon strap to hook it onto hitch. He said it was dark and he couldn't find the pin or a chain. He said he wasn't going very fast but hit a bump in the road and the machine came off the hitch. Bothell said they have had extensive training after having a lot of trailer accidents. He said all trailers must have a pin and chain. Bothell said he could have gone back to the shop to get a pin and chain. Ozuna said he didn't want to block the parking lot with the light board and he had found a nylon strap.

Motion by Brown with second by Bothell to rule this accident as a Preventable Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

B. Jonathan Hull- SWC (11/17/14)

Mr. Hull was not present. Safety Rep Marlon Johnson was present.

Mr. Johnson said that Hull stopped to pick up a cart and extended the arm of the truck and thought he had enough room and hit the car. Bothell said he didn't retract the arm fast enough before taking off.

Motion by Bothell with second by Whisenhunt to rule this as a Chargeable Damage Incident with one (1) point assessed

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

C. Dennis Moore -SWC (11/25/14)

Mr. Moore was not present. Safety Rep Marlon Johnson was present.

Mr. Johnson said Moore extended the arm on his truck to empty a cart and pulled up the mailbox also. Johnson said the cart was in the yard next to the mailbox. He said the arm of the truck pulled up the post attached to the mailbox.

Motion by Bothell with second by Brown to rule this as a Chargeable Damage Incident with one (1) point assessed

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

D. David Wiedeman- SSC (12/17/14)

Mr. Wiedeman was present. Safety Rep Britt Hubbard was also present.

Mr. Wiedeman said he was parked on a slope and the wench was about four feet behind his pickup. He said he got in the pickup to put it in drive and it rolled back and hit the well house on the wench. Wiedeman said the well house sticks out about two feet from the wench. Wright asked if the pickup was in neutral and it rolled back since it was on an incline. Wiedeman said yes. Hubbard showed pictures of the wench.

Motion by Whisenhunt with second by Bothell to rule this as a Preventable Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

E. Earl Sappington– Park Maint. (11/28/14)

Mr. Sappington was present. Safety Rep Leon McGahee was also present.

Mr. Sappington said he was painting a sign and when he was through he put up his equipment and got in his pickup. He said he started to back up and looked to the right and his left side hit a small tree. He said the tire rubbed up on the tree and put a dent in the fender. He said he then drove to the PW yard to get a supervisor. Wright asked if he pulled up between the two trees and painted the sign. Sappington said yes and said he noticed the tree on the right side but not the one on the left. He said he should have done a 360 degree walk around before getting in the pickup. Bothell said to get the truck in the shop to get an estimate on the damages. Brown said he should have taken the truck into the shop sooner.

Motion by Brown with second by Bothell to rule this accident as a Preventable Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

5. Consider any other accidents reported: None

5. Communication/Discussion:

Whisenhunt said the employee must do a pre-trip before getting in their vehicle at the start of the day and put anything they see wrong on their report or the damage will be considered their fault if seen the next day.

7. Adjournment:

Motion by Bothell with second by Wright to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 pm.