

MINUTES
GENERAL EMPLOYEE
VEHICLE ACCIDENT REVIEW BOARD (VARB)

Wednesday, May 29, 2024
3rd Floor Conference Room
City Hall - 212 SW 9th St
1:30 pm

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

1. Roll Call James Churchwell, Acting Chairman
 David Miller, Equipment Maintenance
 Candy Brown, HR Deputy Director

Others Present:

Ashley Nauni, Human Resources
Sir Allen, Sewer System Technical
Juan Ortiz, Wastewater Treatment Plant

2. Minutes:

- A. Approval of April 03, 2024, minutes

Motion to approve the minutes by Miller with a second by Brown

AYES: Brown, Miller, Churchwell

No: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

**A. Consider Meter Services/Public Utilities
Ryan, William (04/11/2024)**

Ryan was present with Safety Rep, Sir Allen

Acting Chairman tell us what happen.

Ryan, we were changing out meters and I needed to hand my boss some meters and when I made the turn, I looked both ways I didn't see any cars, that's when we hit, I'm not sure where the car came from.

Brown so you turned.

Ryan yes, I had to make a U-turn on 38th street right before the train tracks.

Acting Chairman this was in front of Taliaferro.

Allen its right before the youth place

Acting Chairman was anyone hurt and was there a claim put in for this.

Ryan, nobody was hurt.

Brown it was total out.

Brown made a motion to deem this a Chargeable Collision with 3 points assessed plus 1 for damage for a total of 4 points, second by Miller.

Ayes: Brown, Miller, Churchwell, Allen

No's: None

Motion Passed

**B. Consider Wastewater Collection/Public Utilities
Simmons, David (04/23/2024)**

Simmons was present with Safety Rep Sir Allen

Acting Chairman tell us what happen.

Simmons I was merging with traffic, and I got hit from behind the truck doesn't have rearview mirror or side mirrors.

Sir this was on East Gore when they were doing construction.

Acting Chairman so they were moving traffic to the outside lane, and you came to a complete stop, and they ran into you.

Simmons yeah

Brown made a motion to deem this a Non- Preventable Collision with 0 points assessed, second by Miller.

Ayes: Brown, Miller, Churchwell, Allen

No's: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

**C. Consider Wastewater Treatment Plant/Public Utilities
Griffin, Quintin (05/11/2024)**

Safety rep Juan Ortiz

Acting Chairman tell us what happen.

Ortiz, I got a call around 5-6:00pm from Mr. Griffin said that he had turn the truck over, he was driving in the plant, and when he tried to dump but the tarp was up. When I got there, I told him we need to schedule a UA test he said that he would not be able to pass the drug test.

Brown why was he driving this truck without a CDL?

Ortiz, it gives them knowledge to drive and operate vehicles on the property.

Brown as a CDL operator they have the experience, but he is not allowed to operate since he doesn't have his CDL.

Acting Chairman why wasn't the police not called, any city vehicle needs to be called in to the Police Department.

Ortiz, I was just following my chain of commands.

Brown he shouldn't have been driving.

Ortiz, there was another operator there to spot him, but he didn't utilize him.

Acting Chairman was truck total.

Miller no it needs some work done.

Brown the truck wasn't moving.

Ortiz, no he was just trying to dump the debris.

Acting Chairman do you control all the buttons from inside.

Brown made a motion to deem this a Chargeable Damage Incident with 3 points plus 1 point due to the cost of damage a total of 4 points assessed, second by Miller.

Ayes: Brown, Miller, Churchwell, Ortiz

No's: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

5. Next meeting date July 3, 2024.

6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Miller with a second by Brown adjournment @ 2:06pm.