

MINUTES
City Vehicle Accident Review Board
July 3rd 2012
City Council Conference Room
Wayne Gilley City Hall
1:30 pm

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wright at 1:35 pm.

1. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rusty Wright, Chairman
Dennis Bothell, Equipment Maintenance
Candy Brown, Safety & Risk Manager
Carl Dentler, Public Works Safety & Risk Officer

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Tiffani Burk, HR
Darrin Hall, Neighborhood Services
Joe Ramirez, Drainage Maintenance

Excused* Unexcused**

2. Minutes:

A. Approval of minutes of May 1st , 2012

Motion by Wright with second by Bothell to approve the minutes of May 1st, 2012.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

3. Old Business:

None

4. New Business:

A. David Rolando-SWC (5/14/12)

Mr. Rolando was present. Mr. Rolando said it was normal day; he pulled up to get a can. There was a moving van with a trailer in front of him. When he went to go around it, the edge of the arm caught the back of the trailer. It wasn't a hard hit but it twisted the arm. The whole arm needed to be replaced. He said it was the same procedure that he had used 400 or 500 times a day for 2 years and this time it didn't work. It didn't really bend the arm it twisted it. It still

operated but the maintenance department said it had to be replaced. It didn't do any damage to the trailer. His focus was the blind spot. Then he sees the truck move. He first thinks that the truck was pulling out, and then he realizes he was in an accident and that the arm had caught the trailer and moved it. Carl Dentler asked was the arm fully retracted when he started to move. Mr. Rolando said it wasn't sucked up to the truck. That is not how we normally operate it; it's usually a good 3 to 4 inches from being completely sucked up. That is for ease of operation, when it is completely sucked up it is nearly uncontrollable when you start to go out. But following our procedure yes it was fully retracted. Also after 2 years you can grab that arm and pull it out 10 inches because there is that much slack.

Motion by Wright with second by Bothell to rule this as a Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

B. David Martin-SWC (5/14/12)

Mr. Martin was not present. Mr. Martin failed to set the parking brake. The truck rolled across the street and hit a fence.

Motion by Bothell with second by Brown to rule this as a Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

C. R.C. Cathey-SWC (5/8/12)

Mr. Cathey was not present. Mr. Cathey was backing down behind the police department. There were 4 cars, two on each side. He had two ground men at the dumpster. He said as he passed the police cruiser he cut his wheel to the left and caught the fender of the second police cruiser.

Motion by Bothell with second by Brown to rule this as a Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

D. John Thomas-SWC (5/8/12)

Mr. Thomas was not present. A vehicle ran into the back of Mr. Thomas's city vehicle. Motion by Brown with second by Bothell to rule this as a Non-Preventable Collision on with zero (0) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

E. John Thomas-SWC (6/21/12)

Mr. Thomas was not present. Mr. Thomas was called back to the area of 5725 NW Chestnut because a neighbor said he hit a car. The neighbor said that he talked to the trash truck driver and he said not to worry that he would have it all taken care of. Mr. Thomas is no longer a city employee.

Motion by Bothell with second by Dentler to rule this as a Chargeable Collision with four (4) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

F. Laverne Aitson-SWC (4/16/12)

Mr. Aitson was not present. Mr. Aitson was doing bulk pick up. As he gripped the bulk with the firm grip of the grapple bucket and proceeded to load it into the truck some boards fell out. They hit the hood of a car that was parked on the side of the street.

Motion by Dentler with second by Bothell to rule this as a Chargeable Damage Incident with one (1) point assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

G. Steven Tucker-Streets (5/1/12)

Mr. Tucker was not present. Mr. Tucker backed into a chain link fence post. Motion by Dentler with second by Bothell to rule this as a Preventable Collision with two (2) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

H. Steven Tucker-Streets (5/9/12)

Mr. Tucker was not present. Mr. Bothell wants us to check with Legal about the discipline being issued before it was heard by the Vehicle Accident Review Board. Can the Board assess points after discipline was issued. Motion by Bothell with second by Brown to table this accident. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

I. John Walsh-Streets (5/8/12)

Mr. Walsh was not present. Mr. Walsh was sweeping Gore Blvd at 58th St when a white pick-up rear-ended him Motion by Bothell with second by Dentler to rule this as a Non-Preventable Collision with zero (0) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

J. Patricia Garmon-Traffic (6/8/12)

Ms. Garmon was not present. Ms. Garmon was turning out of Lowe's parking lot and hit a car. Motion by Dentler with second by Bothell to rule this as a Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

K. James Roberts-SSTD (6/7/12)

Mr. Roberts was not present. Mr. Roberts was driving north on Sheridan Rd heading to Fort Sill when a car hit him from behind. Motion by Brown with second by Bothell to rule this as a Non-Preventable Collision with zero (0) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

L. Arthur Griffin-Sewer Constr. (6/18/12)

Mr. Griffin was present. Mr. Griffin said they were working at an easement. He turned in and up on the curb to unload some rock. He heard a big pop and the truck started easing over. He was in the process of dumping the rock and the truck flipped onto its side. The wheels were on the curb. Candy asked if the tires blew because he heard a pop. He said no they said it was the frame that popped. Dennis said the welds broke. It was on the right side of the truck (passenger's side). Carl and Dennis believe that the welds broke from raising the bed on unlevel ground. Mr. Griffin said they do dump on uneven ground and he didn't think it would fall over.

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.

M. Shawn Myers-Sewer Constr. (6/22/12)

Mr. Myers was present. Mr. Myers said he was driving back to the job site. He had a roll of 4 x 4 wire that they put in for concrete. He was just driving and it fell out and hit a lady's car. The Lady said it lifted up and fell out. He was driving a four door ford pickup. He did not secure the load.

Motion by Bothell with second by Dentler to rule this as a Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

N. Juan Ayala-WWC (6/8/12)

Mr. Ayala was present. Mr. Ayala said they just got done with sewer pm preventative maintenance. He was parked and doing paperwork. When he started to back then he heard someone yelling saying that he hit her vehicle. A Lady came from the west side of her residence. He was parked on the west side of the road. She immediately pointed out a red dent above and below her head light. She said that he hit her vehicle. He didn't feel it or hear anything. The way the truck was angled he thinks he would have heard a crunch or a light crack. What would have hit her vehicle first was the steel rod that sticks out to hold the hose and it is not red. This Lady was adamant that he hit her vehicle. The officer tried to explain to her that if he hit her it would have broke the light, but she wouldn't listen.

Motion by Bothell with second by Dentler to dismiss this accident. They believe this was an unsubstantiated claim AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

Note: The Board thinks the policy needs to be revised to add this category for incidents that are unsubstantiated.

O. Frank Davis-WWTP (6/12/12)

Mr. Davis was not present. Mr. Davis was taking trash barrels to the dumpster. The barrels began to shift so he looked in the rear view mirror at them and hit the dumpster. Motion by Bothell with second by Dentler to rule this as a Chargeable Collision with three (3) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

P. Danny Hamblin-Drainage (6/5/12)

Mr. Hamblin was not present. Mr. Joe Ramirez-Safety Rep was present on behalf of Danny Hamblin. Mr. Hamblin was in a brand new dump truck. He misjudged the distance he was at from the manhole. He hit the manhole. This was out in the middle of a field. Mr. Ramirez said Mr. Hamblin knows he was in the wrong and accepts whatever they decide. Motion by Bothell with second by Wright to rule this as a Chargeable Collision with three points reduced to two (2) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

Q. Phillip Gibson-Insp. Svs (4/25/12)

Mr. Gibson was not present. Mr. Darrin Hall-Safety Rep was present. Mr. Gibson got sandwiched between two vehicles. He was hit from behind and it was no fault of his. Motion by Bothell with second by Wright to rule this as a Non-Preventable Collision with zero (0) points assessed. AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

5. Consider any other injuries reported: None
6. Communication/Discussion: None
7. Adjournment: Motion by Bothell with second by Brown to adjourn meeting at 3:30 pm.