

PIPE USERS GROUP
MINUTES
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Attendees:

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General Discussion:

Michael Penny shared with us some information on the sliplining project going on in Pleasant Hill on Contra Costa Blvd. The Contractors finally got around to actually sliplining the pipe on September 20th. Michael said he took some pictures if anyone would like to see them, give him a call.

Membership dues may be raised next year to \$350 for agencies and consultants. It currently is \$250 for consultants and \$350 for agencies. Further discussion will follow on this. This is also a reminder for those who have not paid their membership dues to please pay them soon.

By-Laws: Some changes were suggested to update the PUG bylaws. Areas to be updated include creating task groups as they are needed.

Website Development: A contract with Brown and Caldwell and CCCSD will need to be signed before the website can be activated. The website is close to being finished.

The website has a calendar that could be used to keep track of events, such as seminars, field visits, conferences, meetings, etc. Charlie mentioned it would be a good idea to utilize it.

Seminar 2004: Some ideas for Keynote Speaker was discussed, including possibly having a lawyer who specializes in claims, or maybe having a half-day seminar scheduled for that topic and possible topics for papers, including PVC fatigue. We are actively looking for a Keynote Speaker, and presenters for the Seminar who are charismatic and have interesting topics. The Call for Papers was e-mailed to all members, mailed to all on the expanded mail list, and advertised in APWA newsletter and Trenchless Technology Magazine. If anyone would like to receive the Call for Papers and has not gotten it yet, please call Angie at (925) 827-4900, ext. 115. It was decided to cover the cost of the restaurant and travel arrangements for speakers the cost for the seminar will be raised to \$85 per person, still well below the cost for similar conferences.

Updates:

Election of New Officers: Ballots were counted and the results were read. The new officers are as follows: Chairperson – Jonathan Lee, Vice-Chairperson – Jennifer Glynn, Treasurer – Michael Penny, Secretary – Cindy Preuss. Thanks go out to past board members, as well as newly elected board members.

Presentation: Don Wible with Pacific Lining Systems came to give a presentation on the newest in Trenchless Technology. His presentation included cleaning, inspection, rehabilitation and some extra services his company provides like flow monitoring and deflection testing.

Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 28, 2003. It will be held at the offices of Brown and Caldwell at 201 North Civic Drive, Suite 300, in Walnut Creek. Please call Jennifer Glynn at 925-210-2307 or e-mail her at jglynn@brwncald.com to RSVP by Monday, October 27th. ***There will be no presentation at this meeting.***

Minutes by:
Angie Giles, Harris & Associates