



BCMSA RGM MEETING MINUTES March 2, 2018

Sundance Motel, 6574 Ladner Truck Road, Delta BC

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Caleb	Mierau	City of Kamloops	<i>President</i>
Mike	Roberts	BCMSA	<i>Executive Director</i>
Chris	Gonev	District of North Vancouver	<i>Secretary</i>
Carie	Sandferd	City of New Westminister	<i>Treasurer</i>
Paul	Elsoff	City of Delta	<i>Director</i>
Clay	Fredin	City of Vernon	<i>Director</i>
Sergio	Picco	City of Burnaby	<i>Director</i>
Chris	Adolph	City of Vancouver	
Andrew	Brooks	City of Nanaimo	
Sam	Chauhan	City of Surrey	
Justin	Chouhan	BCMSA	
Sandra	Ciparis	Township of Langley	
Rob	Cooke	Town of Sidney	
Rita	Coshan	District of Saanich	
Nav	Gill	City of Victoria	
Nela	Graham	Metro Vancouver	
Jonathon	Gregory	City of Maple Ridge	
Lidia	Grzesiuk	City of Richmond	
Helga	Hildebrandt	BCMSA	
Lisa	Houle	WorkSafeBC	
Charity	Igiri	City of Pitt Meadows	
Jennifer	Irwin	City of Vancouver	
Dave	King	City of Vancouver	
Jacson	Lau	City of Coquitlam	
Alan	Lucas	City of Chilliwack	
Mohammad	Nouri	City of Vancouver	
Wendy	Olsson	Village of Pemberton	
Nathan	Peters	City of Kelowna	
Brian	Robinson	Town of Sidney	
Candice	Roffe	City of White Rock	
Dan	Smith	City of Vancouver	
Kim	Stubbs	WorkSafeBC	
John	Welay	City of Burnaby	
Janice	Williams	City of Victoria	
Alastair	Wright	District of West Vancouver	
Tracy	Wynnyk	Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure	
Correen	Wolanski	BC Public Services Agency	



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Regrets

Andrew Ross, City of Vancouver, Vice-President
Nancy Taylor, LGMA
Cris Bendall, Director

The meeting opened at 11:10 a.m.

C. Mierau called the meeting to order.

Additions to Agenda

No additions to the agenda.

Adoption of Previous Minutes

P. Elsoff **Moved** to adopt the December 1, 2017 Regular General Meeting Minutes, **Seconded** by C. Mierau, **Carried**.

Executive Director's Report

Mike Roberts thanked the past Board for guidance during his transition to Executive Director.

Certifying Partner highlight last year was development of our online COR self-analysis tool. Almost 2100 people have accessed the tool; 700 of those were from outside of Canada. We launched webinars in 2017 and will run more in 2018. The goal was to reach out to smaller organizations and that has proved successful. The next webinar is on March 8th.

Claim Duration Reduction Initiative continues - four organizations are participating.

Strategic Plan for 2018 to 2020 was developed based on BOD direction.

Thanked WorkSafeBC for support during his transition to Executive Director and BCMSA staff for their hard work.

Manager of Audit & Training Services Report

Justin Chouhan reported 716 training courses were booked in 2017. This year 400 courses have been booked so far.

Excited about the partnership with Fiore Training Group and the launch of the SONAR Safety Leadership course.

Announced the online training launch of 250+ safety awareness courses. Some municipalities are using the courses during crew talks.

COR – will be looking at auditors directive next week.

WorkSafeBC Report

Lisa Houle congratulated the new BCMSA Board of Directors. Industry and Labour Services are communicating and strive to ensure needed information is available.

Ammonia Inspection Initiative – reviewed the three Phases, the results from Phase 1, and FAQs from employers and contractors.



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Kim Stubbs shared information regarding ECP resources.

Mike cautioned that a template may not be required or desired. Kim confirmed that the template would be generic.

Old Business

Municipal Occupational Health & Safety Conference

M. Roberts is working with PWABC for joint conference. Small committee has been established. Registration will open June 1st. PWABC delegates are committed annually to attend. Local government delegates tend to review the agenda and then decide. Encouraged all to join Yahoo Groups to ensure they get the information. Only 270 total spaces at Sun Peaks for both streams. 2019 conference to be in Penticton; 2020 in the lower mainland.

The intention is to generate some revenue – Mike stated goal was to break even, at minimum.

Registration will be hosted on both BCMSA and PWABC websites – PWABC / BCMSA streams designated.

Confined Space Planning Group

Nela Graham - October 2017 joint meeting with stakeholders / planning group. Reviewed the three themes identified. Encouraged all to have their voices heard and participate in Regulation review.

Draft document will circulate with the joint meeting group. Once finalized, BCMSA will publish the document – it will be BCWWA format/branding.

Jenn Irwin, City of Vancouver shared information about the opportunity they had to host 2-day tour of Vancouver facilities included senior management, professional engineers, safety staff, and WorkSafeBC.

Mike reviewed the outcomes and goals as well as the WorkSafeBC outcomes. Overall the work that has been done recently has provided another perspective. Has requested an additional tour in Prince George. Thanked Jenn and staff from Vancouver for their efforts.

Sam Chauhan, City of Surrey thanked Vancouver and Metro Vancouver for bringing the issue forward to the BOD.



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Sub Committee Reports

Ed TAC – Paul Elsoff thanked Mike and Justin for providing the updates during their reports.

New Business

2018-2020 Confined Space Initiative – WorkSafeBC

Lisa Houle stated a specialized team of four WorkSafeBC officers is involved.

Letter has gone out to municipalities. Lisa shared YTD results. BCMSA has a confined space template online.

Chlorine Gas is not a formal initiative at this time. Letters have gone out.

High Risk Strategies and Industry Initiatives – WorkSafeBC

Lisa Houle reviewed the four industry sectors involved and the initiatives.

- Construction
- Forestry
- Health Care
- Manufacturing

Lisa encouraged the membership to take a look at construction.

Round Table

Alastair Wright, District of West Vancouver – working on safety perception survey.

Candice Roffe, City of White Rock – looking at working alone corporate wide.

Andrew Brooks, City of Nanaimo - compliance with all three arenas. Bully harassment and violence in the workplace issues.

Alan Lucas, City of Chilliwack – busy with ammonia – compliance on most orders.

Jacson Lau, City of Coquitlam – researching gas C cans and hazards of storage options and wondered what is adequate?

Jonathan Gregory, City of Maple Ridge – COR audit is completed and received their scores last month. Supervisors have asked for guidance on arc flash PPE. EETG and Tech SafetyBC were recommended.

Nathan Peters, City of Kelowna – updating ECP, risk assessments related to confined space.

Wendy Olsson, Village of Pemberton – is catching up on documents for confined space.

Tracy Wynnyk, Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure – heads up that due to snow pack melt the interior is expected to have flooding. Reaching out to ask for volunteers.



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Correen Wolanski, BC Public Services Agency – Radon sampling project ongoing and moving into phase 2. Also opioid risk assessments – have been 70% of her work week recently.

Carie Sandferd, City of New Westminster – working on ammonia and asbestos issues.

Nela Graham, Metro Vancouver – excited to be part of Board of Directors. Metro Vancouver is primarily focused on confined space.

Caleb Mierau, City of Kamloops – mentioned a new job posting for Kamloops Safety Advisor.

Mike Roberts, BCMSA – Telus / BC One Call package released February 1st.

Sergio Picco, City of Burnaby – working on ammonia inspection reports. Ongoing pool and confined space inspections. Lots of safety training going on.

Paul Elsoff, City of Delta – updated assessments and procedures.

Rita Saanich, District of Saanich - Ruled out disability management in late 2017. Contracting out vaccination services. Counselors are pressuring for Naloxone kits. Variance requests underway for electrical panels in publicly accessible areas. Goal for 2018 is preventing ergonomic injuries.

John Weloy, City of Burnaby – working on isolation procedures and silica ECP. Training in lots of areas. TCP training – unsure whether to deliver old or new version. Tracy Wynnyk, MOTI indicated that is a question for BCCSA.

Charity Igiri, City of Pitt Meadows – has been dealing with ammonia inspection reports. ECP has been done and submitted to WSBC. Confined space consultant is beginning risk assessment next week.

Kim Stubbs, WorkSafeBC – kudos on tireless efforts for confined space change.

Rob Cooke, Town of Sidney – working on emergency response plan.

Brian Robinson, Town of Sidney – working on hazardous material assessment for maintenance workers. Public Works and safety community synergy is working great. Values the hard work other organizations do and share.

Nav Gill, City of Victoria – working on confined space program and updating inventories. Pushing for training; especially for supervisors to complete SSCP.

Jennifer Irwin, City of Vancouver – working on workplans and strategies. Focus on utilities.

Sandra Ciparis, Township of Langley – dealing with a few PTSD claims. Homeless camping out in public space facilities is problematic – she is working with bylaw team to find solutions.

Lidia Grzesiuk, City of Richmond – ammonia report has been submitted.

Sam Chauhan, City of Surrey – working on asbestos AC pipe procedures update; revamping whole Confined Space Program.



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Chris Adolph, City of Vancouver – department is undergoing reorganization. Confined space – new hire Mohammad Nouri solely to work on cleaning up hazard assessments.

Dave King, City of Vancouver – took over recreation portfolio as of January 1.

Mohammad Nouri, City of Vancouver – with his confined space experience he is finding that in the City it is completely different. Customized for water / waste water.

N. Graham **Moved** to adjourn the meeting, **Seconded** by J. Weloy, **Carried**.

Meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Next Meeting Date:

Regular General Meeting – June 8, 2018 – Delta, BC