

QLife Network

QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency

MINUTES

QLife Regular Board Meeting

**Thursday, February 26, 2015, Noon
The Dalles City Hall, 313 Court Street
2nd Floor Conference Room**

Call to Order

President Hege called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.

Roll Call

Board in attendance: Scott Hege, Brian Ahier, Dan Spatz, Taner Elliott
Staff: Izetta Grossman, John Amery, Keith Mobley

Visitors: Dan Bubb and Erik Lundby from Gorge Networks

Approval of Agenda: It was decided to put off election of officers until Larson arrived.

Approval of Board Minutes:

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Ahier to approve the minutes from November 13, 2014 and January 15, 2015 QLife Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports:

No formal report. No questions.

Authorization of QLife Credit Card – Grossman reviewed the staff report. It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Ahier to authorize staff to request a credit card from Bank of the West in the name of QLife for purchases under \$2000. Motion carried. It was clarified that the purchasing limit was \$2000, not the limit on the credit card.

Presentation/Discussion:

As part of the strategic planning for the future of QLife Gorge Networks, Dan Bubb and Erik Lunby made a presentation on PON – passive optical network, and how it might benefit QLife and ISP's in the future. Spatz asked if this was related to the idea of QLife providing fiber to the home. Bubb said they were thinking more of how they could use the technology. Grossman said this was an information gathering, that the board would then decide if another level of charges or type of contract would be deemed necessary. Lundby explained the splitters maintained the up and down speeds and is upgradable. Larson asked if the PON system would coexist on the current system, and is it as secure. Amery said no less secure and could coexist. Lundby said most of The Dalles could function on GPON, it's easier to troubleshoot and install. Bubb would like QLife to consider how to adopt the technology and develop a pricing model that would work for everyone. Larson said QLife would need to determine which parts were maintained by QLife and/or the ISP. Ahier felt that the purpose of QLife was to facilitate affordable access for business and residents and this was a vehicle for doing that.

After considerable discussion it was the consensus of the Board to have staff report back with four or five business/billing models and policy of use; division of maintenance. The Board was felt it was more important to create a venue for economic development, not so important for what vendors do after they purchase the products QLife provides.

Reports:

Aristo Operational Management Report – Amery reported there was one small issue while he was away, his partner took care of it without problem. Hege asked about progress on being compensated for the damage caused by the fire at the vacant home. Mobley reported that the total cost was over \$23,000, and that the home was uninsured. The report from the fire department said that the fire was started by two juveniles. He said there was no ability to recoup the loss.

There was a request from the board to have staff bring back a report on what is covered under current insurance and for what amount for their review.

Election of Officers:

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Hege to nominate Ahier as president. After some discussion that motion was taken from the table and Hege moved to elect Larson President, Spatz ~~and~~ Vice President and Ahier as Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously. The new officers will need to fill out a signature card for the bank.

Next Meeting Dates: Regular Board Meeting March 26, 2015 Noon

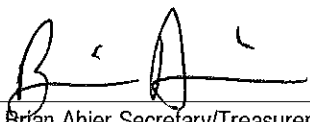
Adjourn:

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Izetta Grossman, Secretary to the Board

Signed: _____



Brian Ahier Secretary/Treasurer