Washington State Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety
Teleconference Meeting Minutes
Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW, Olympia, WA 98504
January 26, 2017

Present members:
David Taylor, Chair
Ron Bowen, Vice-chair
Bob Beaumier
Greg Baruso
Juliana Williams
Randy Tarter
Carl Weimer
Janet Alderton
Juliana Williams
Jody Morehouse

Absent members:
Nick Peelo
Ron Schmitt

Other attendees:
Alan Rathbun, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Joe Subsits, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Denise Crawford, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Debbie Becker, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Sarah Volk, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation
Linda Berger, Avista
Karen Cash, Avista
Rob Harmon, NWP
Steven Ogle, Dept. of Ecology
Stephen Johnson, Public

Agenda Items:

1) Welcoming participants and calling the Meeting to order.
The meeting was called to order by Dave Taylor who welcomed all attendees. Dave read the Chairman’s Meeting Protocol as a reminder to all participants. Roll call was taken to be sure that a quorum was present. All participants introduced themselves.

2) House Bill 1064 - Update on agency request for legislation RCW 19.122, Dig Law
The purpose of the request is to delete or remove the expiration date of enforcement authority and to delete some outdated statute references and references old requirements. Juliana Williams was present when House Bill 1064 was introduced and provided testimony to the committee. The bill is currently in House Rules Committee. The Senate Bill 1591 is in the Energy and Environment Committee.
Juliana provided comments about her testimony and noted that many of the questions from the house committee were focused on what cities can do to help improve pipeline safety.

Bob Beaumier motioned that if additional support is needed for this bill, that the committee allow Dave Taylor to write a letter of support.

Alan Rathbun suggested that if additional support is needed, it will be to get the bill out of the Rules Committee. The best way to do this would be to contact local legislators that are on the Rules Committee.

Janet Alderton requested a list of the members of the Rules Committee with telephone numbers.

**Action(s)**
Staff will send a list of Rules Committee staff contact for both House and Senate to the CCOPS members.

Staff will distribute the Session Calendar to the CCOPS members.

3) **Land Use follow-up**
Carl Weimer has registered for the Planning Association of Washington’s (PAW) Annual meeting for May 3-5, 2017, in Lake Chelan. The application for potential presentations is to be submitted by Jan. 31, 2017.

Alan Rathbun suggested that Jim Doherty and a member of the Pipeline Safety Trust also be in attendance, due to their familiarity. A member of Pipeline Safety staff with participate in PAW’s meeting.

Dave Taylor has made contact with the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) and will be registering for their annual meeting, to be held sometime in June 2017.

Staff has not yet developed the talking points document for the local planners, AWC, and PAW.

**Action(s)**
Juliana Williams has agreed to work with staff on developing the talking points into a presentation.

4) **Public Comments**
No public comments were provided

**Adjourn**
The meeting adjourned at 10:54 am