

IWEA Safety Committee Meeting
October 17, 2024
Minutes

Members on Conference Call: Terri Couse, Brian Miller, Ralph McCampbell, Matt Cordial, Duane Jarvis, Jerry Fussell, and Dorothy Robinette.

Member at TriCo WRRF: Scot Watkins and Loren Prange

Digester:

- The Safety Committee has not submitted articles to the Digester for a long time! IWEA wants an article each publication. About four times a year. (Spring – Feb, Summer – May, Fall – Aug, and Winter – Dec.)
- If anyone has or wants to submit safety articles to the Digester, that would be great.
- Discussed having a toolbox like articles, could be on confined space, electrical, emergency, etc. Other topics could be construction, new personnel training, etc.
- Want to make a safety mascot that we could use with Digester articles or could use to answer safety questions in the Digester and with the safety shack (hopefully in the future).
- You can send articles to Jamie Sonnentag at Jamie.sonnentag@mattisoncorp.com, or Dorothy at wwtrobin36@gmail.com. The IWEA website has the deadlines listed and you can submit an article.

IWEA Conference:

- Safety had 2 sessions for the 2024 conference. Jake Powers, Electrical Safety for Wastewater Operators and Maintenance Personnel. Robert Yeary, Emergency Preparedness and Procedures.
- Anyone who has topic ideas or abstracts please contact Loren Prange (loren.prange@trico.eco) or Dorothy Robinette (wwtrobin36@gmail.com).
- Discussed having a 10-hour OSHA course next year. Could be split up over 2 days. Pete Isom could teach the course. Pete Isom and Ernie Castle will work on it and report back. Thank you both for your help.

Office Nominations:

- No one wanted to be Officers so they will remain the same.
Chair- Dorothy Robinette
Co-Chair: Terri Couse
Secretary- Dorothy Robinette
- If anyone at anyone at any time wants to be an officer, you can.

Wastewater Challenge:

- WW Challenge 2025 will be held at Marion Utilities. Very nice plant with plenty of room.
- Need to start thinking about scenarios, for the hands-on practicum.
- If anyone wants to judge or be on the planning committee, please let Dorothy know.

Miscellaneous:

- **The 3rd Thursday of the month will be the meeting day.** TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will be the on-site location, but if you cannot make it to the site, please call in. The conference call number is **(267)807-9587 code 327768#**.

Next Meeting: November 21st at 10 am @ TriCo WRRF or call in

Agenda: WW Challenge
Review Safety Audit form
Update members list
Digester Articles