

Capacity Crowd Attends Training Session in Washington, Kan.

On July 27, KRWA sponsored a training session at the fire station in Washington, Kan. The session was actually organized rather quickly. Yet, the training was very well received as the training room was filled to capacity. Several presenters were on hand starting with Monica Wurtz with KRWA, who opened up the session with a discussion about the apprenticeship program administered by KRWA. More information about the program was presented in the November 2020 issue of the *The Kansas Lifeline* magazine and a feature is included again in this issue.

Preston Hodges with Core & Main,



KRWA Wastewater Tech Charlie Schwindamann discusses safety in the workplace to a room filled with interested operators. Nearly 60 operators attended the training on July 27 at Washington, Kan.



KRWA's Greg Metz has a one-on-one discussion with Chris Milam, city of Washington.

McPherson, discussed new meter technology that is available, especially how radio read meters can save time and the cost of reading meters as well as the overall accuracy they provide.

KRWA Wastewater Tech Charlie Schwindamann gave a presentation on safety procedures that operators in this industry need to be aware of to avoid serious injury and possibly even death.

KRWA Consultant Bert Zerr provided a summary of the changes that KDHE is proposing to the operator certification program. The March 2021 issue of the *The Kansas Lifeline* magazine contained an article with more details regarding these proposed changes. An article in this issue by KRWA General Manager Elmer Ronnebaum explains the impact of the proposed regulations on various operators who contact KRWA with their concerns.

Greg Metz, Technical Assistant at KRWA, gave a presentation on the more common components used in the water industry. Examples of the various components were



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available for viewing by attendees. Later in the day, Greg provided a hands-on demonstration of the workings of different components in the KRWA training trailer that was custom built to assist with training new operators within the apprenticeship program. Greg says the trailer has everything he could think of after 20 years of experience in the water industry to make it possible to demonstrate how to perform various maintenance tasks to new operators.



A technician with Core & Main, Wichita, demonstrates making a live tap. A 4-inch line is being tapped into an 8-inch water main serving the industrial section of town.



Attendees moved to the field to observe a live water line tap.

Finally, attendees were invited to observe an actual live water line tap in the field. The tap was done by Core & Main representatives, Wichita, and was performed in the industrial section of town connecting a 4-inch line to an existing 8-inch main.

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