



MD/DC Damage Prevention Committee (DPC)

Kevin Woolbright, Chairman
Mark Hamrick, Vice Chairman
Dora Parks, Secretary

Minutes of the meeting for April 24, 2018
Meeting hosted by Miss Utility in Hanover, MD
Prepared by Dora Parks, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Kevin Woolbright called the regular monthly meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. followed by the customary self-introductions. Meeting attendees are listed on the last page of these minutes.

The minutes of March 27, 2018 were approved as written.

The meeting minutes will be posted at <http://www.missutility.net/damageprevention/>

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

No reports.

OLD BUSINESS

No reports.

OPEN DISCUSSIONS REGARDING DAMAGE PREVENTION AWARENESS & COOPERATION

The committee discussed the following matters;

- Newly installed facilities not being located.
 - Advised to call the call center to identify the utility company and provide contact information.
 - Members agreed new facilities may not make the formal record keeping for months and may not be energized for periods of time. Marc Haines (BGE) stated if the concern is in BGE territory to call 410-470-6698 and an inspector will be dispatched.
 - Other locating companies stated they mark what facilities are identified on their records.
 - Some utilities hold their subcontractor installers responsible for locating the utility during the installation process through their contract administration.
- PEPCO reported plumber damage due to no tickets and no permits. One incident resulted in a sewer pipe being cross bored into an electric facility, resulting in raw sewage leaking into five PEPCO manholes. PEPCO will hold contractor responsible for damage to PEPCO collapsed duck banks if undermined during construction and trench box installations.
- Discussion on what a Dispute notice is and if member reports are available;
 - All members have access to Ticket Check reporting which provides data on statused ticket codes.
- Comcast (or any owner-member) being added to tickets
 - All contractors should understand which owner-members are being notified on their ticket(s)
 - If an owner-member needs to be added to the processed ticket, contact the Miss Utility Helpdesk at 410-712-0056; the Helpdesk will review the ticket and mapping to ensure appropriate processing. If needed, the district code will be added and transmitted to the district's receiving

station. Miss Utility will also contract the member directly regarding the request to add their district to a ticket so the district mapping can be reviewed by the member and changes made where necessary. There is no need to generate a new ticket number, this will have a negative impact on other utilities and locators.

- Pre-calling for next day emergency work
 - After committee discussion on this topic, the owner-members stated pre-calling for emergency work is not an acceptable practice.
- Update tickets – do the locators see the remarks/comments?
 - The ticket is a collection of work site data and locators should review the entire ticket's information as transmitted by Miss Utility.
 - Do not add the extent of work or scope of work to the remarks section, use the appropriate field.
 - Remove the remarks/comments when updating the ticket if they no longer apply.
 - If adding an attachment via ITIC, it was suggested to make note of the attachment in the remarks/comments section.
- ITIC City/Place field confusion
 - Current ITIC pop-up for CDP city/place alert confusing to users, suggested using different alert language for better user understanding.
 - ITIC provides the mapping city/place names when the cursor hovers over the address.

NEW BUSINESS

- No reports.

SAFETY PRESENTATION, TRAINING & EDUCATION

Robert Vicks (PEPCO) provided a presentation titled, "Human Performance Complacency"

- PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) has evolved over the years
- Most root causes for accidents are unsafe actions, not unsafe conditions
- Employees develop "it won't happen to me" attitude and become complacent about safety
- Use Safety Meetings to reinforce procedures and combat complacency

MD/DC SUBSCRIBERS COMMITTEE & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Scott Brown, WGL-Committee Chairman, Vince Healy, Verizon-Vice Chairman, Dora Parks, Miss Utility/One Call Concepts- Secretary

- Maryland and DC Subscribers met on April 12th in Cumberland, MD
- Dora Parks gave an overview of Subscribers Meeting
 - Allow excavator to enter comments on Discrepancy notice
 - Allow attachments on the Discrepancy notice
 - Allow subsequent Ticket Check status on Remark tickets
 - Force owner-members to re-status the Remark ticket
 - Add a new question on the ticket about the use of Trenchless Excavation, forced field
 - New outreach campaigns for radio, MASN and minor league baseball were reviewed
 - Committees provided various reports
 - Budget items and expenses reviewed

Next meeting is July 12th at the Miss Utility call center.

The Subscriber Committee and Board of Directors are active participants with the Authority regarding Title 12 Law re-write.

MARYLAND UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION AUTHORITY

Vince Healy, Verizon-Chairman, Charlie McCadden, BGE-Vice Chairman

April 4th Meeting report by Jim Barron, Executive Director

Two Formal Hearings

NPV# 9937 – BGE vs. N&J Excavating

NPV# 17651 – Washington Gas vs. Southern Maryland Cable

Set Five (5) NPV's for future hearings:

NPV 8496 – Wash Gas vs. Langford Excavating and

NPV 15781 – Wash Gas vs. BW Excavating, both scheduled for May 2, 2018

NPV 9405 – Wash Gas vs. D A Drenner Concete,

NPV 15198 – Wash Gas vs. MIM Construction, and

NPV 15783 – Wash Gas vs. B Squared Construction, all scheduled for June 6, 2018

Reviewed and Acted on six (6) NPV's

The Authority approved a \$10,000 payment toward the May Call 811 Media Campaign.

The Authority reviewed Subsection 12-135 – Civil Penalties and made recommended changes for presentation at the April 19, 2018 Re-Write meeting

Matrix Subcommittee led by Erik Phillips revising Standard Fining Matrix

Next MD Authority meeting planned for May 2, 2018

MARYLAND TITLE 12 RE-WRITE

Reported by Jim Barron, MD Authority, Executive Director

Current items being discussed:

- Storm Drain Exemption,
- Funding,
- “Call before you ‘Clear’”,
- Protection of Private Utilities during Excavation, Subsection 12-127,
- Primary/Temporary Contractors,
- Designer Tickets,

Future Meetings: May 17th, May 31st & June 14th at 9:00 AM in the Miss Utility Conference Room.

Documents on the Re-Write can be downloaded by clicking the State Capital Dome at <http://www.mddpa.org/>

LOCATOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS (LAA) AND DIG SMART AWARDS (DSA)

Mark Hamrick, Verizon-Chair, Dora Parks, Miss Utility-Vice Chair

The 2018 Locator Awards Banquet will be held on May 11, 2018 at Bowie Baysox Stadium where 61 nominated locators will be recognized for their participation in damage prevention and safety. Families are invited to enjoy the awards, dinner and baseball with fireworks.

2018 GREATER CHESAPEAKE DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING CONFERENCE (GCDPTC)

Chairman, Matt Ruddo (One Call Concepts)

- October 23-26 in Ocean City, MD at the Clarion Resort Hotel in Ocean City, MD
- Registration is open offering pre-conference special conference pricing until May 18th
- Registration has changed regarding name transfer requests and refunds, please read the details at www.missutilityconference.com
- 10 Year Anniversary with special event on Wednesday evening following the welcome reception
- Post cards available for distribution
- New networking event is an Italian Cooking Class at Fausto's on Wednesday morning
- Next meeting on Tuesday, 3/27

GCDPTC information is located at www.missutilityconference.com

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Scott Brown, Chairman, Vince Healy, Vice Chairman

Dora Parks reported;

- Seven (7) scholarships of \$1,008.11 per scholarship will be decided on May 10th by the committee.
- 260 applicants submitted entries for the (7) designated zones
- Reception for winners and families planned for July 12th at the call center

DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

- Upcoming Trainings
 - Decisive, May 4th
 - MD State Highway, May 8
 - City of Frederick, May 14
 - Cecil County School of Technology, May 23
 - Lighting Maintenance, May 25

To schedule a FREE Damage Prevention & Safety Training at your office please contact Dora Parks, Manager of Client Relations at 410-782-2026 or dora@missutility.net.

OPEN PRE-SCHEDULED DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

- Miss Utility (Hanover, MD) – July 27
- SMECO (Hughesville, MD) – Sept. 7
- PEPCO (DC) – Dec. 7

Registration for Open Training classes will be announced via email four weeks in advance of the training date.

EDUCATION, OUTREACH and DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

TRADE SHOWS & EVENTS –

April is National Safe Digging Month

April 22nd is Locator Safety Awareness Week

April 25th, Unveil of the new One Call Concepts 811 surprise vehicle

MACSC

April 24, Greenbelt, MD

Preakness Balloon Festival – 811 Excavator Balloon on display

May 11 – 13th, Howard County Fairgrounds

Frederick Keys – Report Card Campaign

May 11 - 12th, Frederick, MD

MEMA Homeland Security & Emergency Management Symposium

May 29-June 1, Ocean City, MD

MML Annual Convention

June 10-13, Ocean City, MD

SAVE THE DATE - Touch-A-Truck

August, 25 - Bowie, MD

If you are interested in volunteering for any trade shows or desire to be added to the show distribution email list, please email Emily Meier at emeier@mghus.com.

There being no further business brought before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

Next MD/DC Damage Prevention Meeting:

- **May 22, 2018 at Miss Utility Call Center in Hanover, MD**
- **Refreshments at 9 am, meeting starts at 9:30 am**

MEETING ATTENDEES

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