



MD/DC Damage Prevention Committee (DPC)

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

Minutes of the meeting for August 28, 2018
Meeting hosted by Miss Utility in Hanover, MD
Prepared by Dora Parks, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Vice Chairman Mark Hamrick called the regular monthly meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. followed by the customary self-introductions. Meeting attendees are listed on the last page of these minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of July 24, 2018 were approved as written.

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

OLD BUSINESS

The Miss Utility app is available on iTunes and Google Play providing access to ITIC, Search & Status, Ticket Check, resources and the website.

OPEN DISCUSSIONS REGARDING DAMAGE PREVENTION AWARENESS & COOPERATION

The committee discussed the following matters;

Emergency ticket locate responses regarding WSSC water/sewer locates.

Verizon damage; Verizon was not listed as a member being notified on the emergency ticket and their underground plant was damaged in Rockville. Contractor complained of unproductive work site time dealing with the damage when Verizon was not on the ticket. Dora Parks explained the process in which Miss Utility owner-members are notified of tickets and how to add a member to a processed valid ticket by contacting the Miss Utility Help Desk at 410-712-0056.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding Verizon's approach to auto clearing tickets and the burden and time these issues place on the excavator. Dora Parks reiterated the procedures for processing a Discrepancy notice via Search and Status, giving the locator the ability to recode the ticket in Ticket Check. Contractors complained that when a Discrepancy is processed, they are still getting the auto clear notice. In order to work with the member on these issues, it was asked that contractors provide ticket numbers.

The attendees inquired about the amount of Discrepancies being processed and if the report could be broken down by contractor. Mark Hamrick (Verizon) stated he would inquire about this level of reporting.

Dora Parks shared information regarding a kids educational and fun magazine (Construction Juniors) and provided a copy for committee's review. Dora also suggested this magazine would be a hit at the 2019 Touch A Truck family event; Jason Cardenosa (PHI) stated his company may be able to sponsor this endeavor in 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

The Miss Utility MD and DC Subscriber's Board has partnered with the Construction Angels (CA) organization in support of Maryland and DC contractors. CA is a non-profit, 501 C (3) organization providing immediate support to families of construction workers who have suffered the loss of a loved one in a construction related accident. This level of support is provided through financial assistance, grief counselling and financial management. As stakeholders partnering with CA, we need to raise \$10,000 each year; all money raised stays in Maryland and DC for our contractor families. WE NEED YOUR HELP... by supporting the upcoming charity golf tournament to be held on Thursday, October 4th at Waverly Woods Golf Club. We need golfers, and are asking companies to register their foursome, \$500.00. There are also multiple sponsorships available at an affordable level for all companies or personal donations of \$50.00. Our regions stakeholders have shown great support and commitment to safety and damage prevention; let's go a step further and support those who risk their lives on a daily basis working in dangerous environments, our construction workers. Please contact Vince Healy or Kevin Woolbright for additional information.

Handouts were provided to the meeting attendees.

SAFETY PRESENTATION

Frank Hammond of Badger Daylighting provided a presentation regarding safe approaches to the (18) inch Maryland and District tolerance zone excavations around the lines and infrastructure using vacuum excavation. Frank provided statistics of excavation damages and costs, CGA excavation 'Best Practices', compliance to local laws and how vacuum excavation saves both time and money. Frank provided stories of excavations gone wrong, the cost to contractors, the utility owner, locating companies, property owners and the general public. Frank also shared what to look for when companies are seeking the services of vacuum excavating companies. There were many questions from the committee on this topic, the presentation was well received by the committee.

MD/DC SCUBSCRIBERS COMMITTEE & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Vince Healy (Verizon) who has served two terms (two years each) as a Board member of the Maryland Authority in addition to being the Authority Chairman will term out effective September 2018. The Maryland Subscriber's Board has submitted a subscriber replacement to the Governors office. Michael Jewel (Columbia Gas of Maryland) has been appointed by the Governor's office to serve one term on the Maryland Authority and will be officially seated at the October 3rd meeting.

The next quarterly meeting of the MD/DC Subscribers and Board will be on October 11th at the SMECO Hughesville office.

MARYLAND UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION AUTHORITY

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

Reported by Jim Barron, Executive Director

- August 1, 2018 Meeting – A Closed Executive Meeting
- Demo of the Preliminary Case Management System by Lufburrow & Co., Inc.
- Revisited Subsection 12-107 and approved language for the Title 12 Re-Write Meeting on August 8th
- Approved a Technical Proposal from Lufburrow & Company for the Project Milestones Phase 4 of the Case Management System to be paid out of the 2018 PHMSA Grant
- Approved a Proposal from Flywheel to redo the Website and Prepare an Online Video Production to be paid out of the 2018 PHMSA Grant
- Authority Member Erik Phillips presented a revised Standard Fining Matrix for review, comment and acceptance by the Authority.
- Reviewed and Acted on eight (8) NPV's
- The Authority participated in the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) Conference in Ocean City, August 15– 18, 2018 as an exhibitor.

The next Authority meeting is Wednesday, September 5, 2018. No Formal Hearings are scheduled

MARYLAND TITLE 12 RE-WRITE

Reported by Jim Barron, MD Authority, Executive Director

The current plan is to meet on August 30th and September 10th at 9:00 AM in the Miss Utility Conference Room in hopes of wrapping up the law changes and forward the re-write to the bill writers for legislative format. Once the writers have completed their task, the committee will reconvene to review the format and content.

Current items being discussed:

- Detectable and Locatable Underground Facility Definitions
- Scope of Subtitle language
- Enforcement Procedures
- Mandatory vs. Voluntary Damage Reporting, and
- Potential Fines for failure to appear for a Formal Hearing.

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

2018 LOCATOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS (LAA) AND DIG SMART AWARDS (DSA)

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

The Dig Smart Awards committee will meet on August 28th to review the entries and select the winners representing Maryland and DC. Awarded companies will be recognized for their achievements during the GCDPTC in October. Winners will be announced on September 18th during the DPC committee meeting.

2018 GREATER CHESAPEAKE DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING CONFERENCE

Matt Ruddo, Committee Chair

- 10th Anniversary of the GCDPTC to be held during October 23-26th at the Clarion Resort Hotel in Ocean City, MD.
- Registrations are up based on this time period in 2017

- 10th Year Anniversary celebration will be held on conference evening, Wednesday October 24th following the Welcome Reception and is included as part of the GCDPTC registration packages. The celebration will include a full dinner buffet, drink tickets, entertainment, desserts to include a ice cream sundae bar
- Regular conference package pricing was effective August 25th
- One Call Concepts will display the 811 trio of awareness vehicles; the bike, the car and the new trike
- Exhibitor hall is sold out, new exhibitors and sponsors in 2018
- PHMSA is back for the 2018 conference providing a break out session
- The CGA Virtual Reality Experience will be new to the 2018 conference

GCDPTC information is located at www.missutilityconference.com

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Scott Brown, Chairman; Vince Healy, Co-Chair

The Scholarship awardees participated in a reception on July 12th at the Miss Utility call center where they received recognition for their educational accomplishments. Each winner received \$1,008.11 sent to the college of their acceptance in addition to gift bags, lunch that included a custom cake and ice cream. A wonderful time of meet and greet, recognition and fun.

DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

Completed Training

- Open DP Training 7/27 at Miss Utility call center
- Mallick Plumbing 8/3
- Riggs Distler 8/6
- DC Water 8/8

*Damage Prevention and Safety training is **FREE**. Please contact Dora Parks to schedule your next training event; dora@missutility.net*

OPEN DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

Pre-registration required for the below open scheduled trainings; email invites will be provided four weeks in advance.

- September 7 – SMECO (Hughesville, MD)
- November 2 – Miss Utility Call Center (Hanover, MD)
- December 7 – PEPCO (Forestville, MD)

MISS UTILITY MARKETING & OUTREACH

Reported by: MGH

Outreach campaigns and trade shows;

- Thing A Majig, Prince George's County Equestrian Center & Show Place Arena, July 26th
- National Night Out, various events, August 7th
- PHMSA 811 day in Washington DC, August 9
- MACo Conference in Ocean City, August 15 – 17
- Hagerstown Suns August 17th
- Touch-A-Truck, 8/25 at Bowie Baysox

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 11:17 a.m.

Future MD/DC Damage Prevention Meeting, Miss Utility Call Center in Hanover, MD

- September 18th – NOTE, this is a date change from customary monthly date.
- October – **no meeting**
- November 27th
- December – **no meeting**

Refreshments at 9 am, meeting starts at 9:30 am

MEETING ATTENDEES

COMPANY	ATTENDEE NAME & TITLE	TELEPHONE #	EMAIL ADDRESS
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