



MD/DC Damage Prevention Committee

Kevin Woolbright, Chairman
George Daffan, Vice Chairman
Susan Sullivan, Secretary

Minutes of the meeting for June 23, 2026
Hybrid Meeting hosted by Miss Utility in Hanover, MD
Prepared by George Daffan and Susan Sullivan

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Kevin Woolbright called the regular monthly meeting to order at 9:30 AM. There were twenty-four (24) attendees onsite and seventeen (17) virtual attendees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the May 26, 2026, minutes was made by Shelly Welling (Gray N Son) and seconded by Mary Hill (Ferguson). The motion carried by approval.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Charles Weedon (Howard County) thanked BGE for providing training to their DPW crew.

Don Jones (WGL) alerted stakeholders in DC that a large rehab project in Bunker Hill will be taking place over the next year and a half involving twenty (20) streets. Jenn requested that Don send available information to her so that OCC can help get it out to the contract locate community.

Aaron – James Madej (Rivers) stated that an issue brought up last month with UtiliQuest has been resolved.

April Bradley (BGE) requested that Anchor and NPL, re: the Hollands Ferry Project, have the tickets called in the same way so they can get closed quickly.

BUSINESS

No old business to report

NEW BUSINESS

No new business to report

GUEST SPEAKER: Troy Cassady | TrenchTech

Troy provided a presentation highlighting Trench Safety Awareness Month. Along with some jarring statistics, he discussed each of the four (4) trench protective systems: Shoring, Shielding, Sloping and Benching. He defined Competent Person and explained common trench *safety* misconceptions. He explained the value of and methods behind soil testing. Finally, he reviewed key OSHA/MOSH safety numbers and shared various pictures depicting the protective systems he discussed. Questions and discussion followed.

MISS UTILITY CALL CENTER

- Virtual ITICnxt Training
 - Upcoming training: July 9 | August 6 | September 3
 - Please visit <http://missutility.tryitc.com/> for multiple ITICnxt resources and a link to all 2026 Virtual ITICnxt training dates and preregistration links.
- Dashboard Reporting: Jenn Arroyo (Miss Utility) provided ticket volume data for the month of May 2026.
 - Western Shore MD compared to 2025
 - Inbound ticket volume: 74,317 a monthly increase of 7.24%
 - Year-to-date volume: 339,367 a year-to-date increase of 6.23%
 - Outbound ticket volume: 383,743 a monthly increase of 6.44%
 - Year-to-date volume: 1,676,325 a year-to-date increase of 7.69%
 - Washington, D.C. compared to 2025
 - Inbound ticket volume: 14,089 a monthly increase of 25.29%
 - Year-to-date volume: 72,591 a year-to-date increase of 41.30%
 - Outbound ticket volume: 90,648 monthly increase of 19.87%
 - Year-to-date volume: 466,938 a year-to-date increase of 33.64%
- Damage Reporting: Jenn Arroyo provided YTD data through May 2026 of reported damages in MD/DC.
 - 428 utility damages (81 mains and 347 services)
 - 22.90% due to no call or valid ticket
 - 33.88% due to hitting a marked line
 - 39.25% due to incorrect locate marks
 - 3.97% due to other root causes

MARYLAND AUTHORITY | Jennifer Arroyo | Board Member

- There were 3 hearings recently regarding fines.
- The Maryland Authority is mostly caught up with NPVs.
- Next meeting scheduled for July 8, 2026.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- GCDPTC | Matt Ruddo | Chairman
 - When: Tuesday, October 20 - Friday, October 23
 - Where: Ashore Resort & Beach Club – The hotel recently became a Marriott property and changed its name.
 - Registration: GCDPTC Early Bird registration is now open.
 - Sponsors/Exhibitors: If interested, reach out to Anna Trim at atrim@mgbus.com
 - Website: missutilityconference.com
- Scholarship Program | Scott Brown | Chairman
 - The 2026 Miss Utility of Maryland/D.C. scholarship closed May 22 at 11:59 p.m.
 - More than 570 applications were received!

- One winner will be selected from each of the eight zones
 - Scholarship award is \$1,008.11.
- 2026 Touch a Truck
- For the tenth year, Miss Utility is partnering with minor league baseball team, the Chesapeake Baysox, to host Touch-A-Truck Day at Prince George's Stadium on Saturday, July 25.
 - Miss Utility would like to invite you to be a partner in this exciting event to support damage prevention awareness by bringing your organization's machinery or vehicle for attendees to observe and explore
 - If you'd like to volunteer a vehicle or activity for this year's Touch a Truck, please email Anna Trim at atrim@mghus.com. Participating organizations will receive two volunteer T-shirts and six complimentary game tickets per vehicle.
- Damage Prevention and Safety Committee | Kevin Woolbright | Chairman
- DPT Upcoming:
 - Sept 11: ODPT @ Miss Utility
 - Dec 11: ODPT @ Miss Utility
 - Online Excavator Training Module:
 - Available 24/7
 - Presented in English and Spanish
 - Completion Certificate Available
 - <https://www.missutility.net/resources/>

For information about 2026 Damage Prevention Training opportunities and pre-registration links, please visit <https://www.missutility.net/damage-prevention-training/>.

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CONSTRUCTION ANGELS | Kevin Woolbright | Board Representative for MD/DC

- 2026 Miss Utility Annual Charity Golf Tournament | May 22, 2026



- 4th Annual Crusher Run Sunday | May 31, 2026



There being no further business brought before the committee; the meeting adjourned at 10:44 AM.

Upcoming 2026 Hybrid MD/DC Damage Prevention & Safety Meetings

- July 28 | August 25 | September 29

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