

## **MD/DC** Damage Prevention Committee (DPC)

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

Minutes of the meeting for March 27, 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 9:31 a.m. followed by the customary self-introductions. Meeting attendees are listed on the last page of these minutes.

The minutes of February 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 issues:
  - Code 5 Multiple contractors stated they are not receiving locator calls based on the code 5 rules. It was suggested that the contractor file a Ticket Check DISPUTE notice;
    - Go to www.missutility.net and click on the Search & Status service area
    - A blank ticket will be displayed, enter the ticket number
    - Scroll down to the MEMBERS NOTIFIED section and click DISPUTE buttone next to the code 5 status.
    - A confirmation box will be displayed, enter your email address and click 'OK'
    - Now, check your email box, open the email and confirm you want to send the DISPUTE by clicking the appropriate box.
    - Miss Utility will transmit the DISPUTE notice to the affected district code, the contractor should receive a call from the locator to discuss the issue.
  - o DDOT Locating If you need a locate and you're not getting it in DC, please email DDOT at ddot.utilitylocate@dc.gov.
  - o Smelling Gas on Worksite Immediately call 911 and the gas utility to come out to investigate

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

• No reports.

## SAFETY PRESENTATION, TRAINING & EDUCATION

Tamara Neal of Washington Gas provided a presentation on Crossbores & WGL's Crossbore Program

- A crossbore is any line that has been installed using trenchless technology where it intersected with another existing pipe.
- Washington gas formed a crossbore team in 2008 to determine risk factors and resolution
- Started legacy program in 2009 CCTV inspection
- Areas are explored for potential crossbores where trenchless technology is being used
- WGL is partnering with Miss Utility and the plumbers' associations
- New construction procedures locate private laterals, spot all crossings, only "post inspect" in emergency situations ex: bio ball, a flushable tracer wire
- If you smell gas or run across a crossbore, do not attempt to make the repairs; call 911 and WGL

#### 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

Next meeting is April 12 at Columbia Gas of Maryland in Hagerstown, MD.

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

#### MARYLAND UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION AUTHORITY

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

Reported by Jim Barron, Executive Director

March 14, 2018 Meeting - reviewed and acted on eleven (11) NPV's

- NPV's were reviewed by the Authority using Fining Matrix to set violation fines
- Held no formal hearings during the 3/14 meeting
- Authority approved a reunion luncheon for May 9, 2018.
- Authority approved a \$15,000 payment towards the April Miss Utility radio campaign
- Next Authority meeting is April 4, 2018.

## **MARYLAND TITLE 12 RE-WRITE**

Committee discussions included the following:

- storm drain exemption,
- responsible contractor/temporary excavator
- "call before you clear,"
- Protection of private utilities during excavation
- clear evidence
- civil penalties
- designer tickets

Next meeting is Thursday, March 29 at 9:00 AM at Miss Utility.

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

- 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Locator Achievement Awards recognition banquet being held on May 11, 2018 at Bowie Baysox Stadium
- 12 companies submitted the best of the best locators 61 locators this year are being recognized
  - o AA County DPW
  - o Cecil County DPW
  - o City of Aberdeen
  - o DCI
  - o One Call Concepts Locating Services, Inc.
  - o Pro Comm ELS, LLC
  - o SMECO
  - o St. Mary's County Public Schools
  - o Town of Williamsport
  - o USIC
  - o Utiliquest
  - o Williams

# **2018 GREATER CHESAPEAKE DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING CONFERENCE (GCDPTC)** Chairman, Matt Ruddo (One Call Concepts)

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• October 23-26 in Ocean City, MD

- 10 Year Anniversary hoping to break 410 registrations (2017 number)
- Currently going over content for sessions, working on the 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary special event
- Keynote speaker is Bob White
- 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 <a href="https://www.missutilityconference.com">www.missutilityconference.com</a>

## DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

- Upcoming Trainings
  - o Iacoboni Site Specialist March 28
  - o City of Frederick April 3
  - o AA County Traffic Maintenance April 5
  - o City of Gaithersburg Public Works April 17
  - o Diversified Applications Corp April

## MISS UTIITY OPEN PRE-SCHEDULED DP TRAINING

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

#### MISS UTIITY OPEN PRE-SCHEDULED ITIC TRAINING

• Miss Utility (Hanover, MD) – April 10

To schedule a FREE Damage Prevention & Safety Training at your office or to reserve a seat at a future open damage prevention training class, please contact Dora Parks, Manager of Client Relations at 410-782-2026 or dora@missutility.net.

#### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Scott Brown, Chairman, Vince Healy, Vice Chairman

- 3<sup>rd</sup> year scholarship program, to date there are 48 entries
- Deadline to apply is April 6 and winners to be selected in early May
- Thank you to Maryland and DC owner-members who are supporting the program for a scholarship of \$1,008.11.

## EDUCATION, OUTREACH and DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

## TRADE SHOWS & EVENTS

## Chesapeake AIHA/ASSE Educational Seminar

April 12, Laurel, MD

## **Mid-Atlantic Construction Safety Conference**

April 24, Greenbelt, MD

#### **Locator Achievement Awards**

May 11, Bowie, 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

- April is National Safe Digging Month
  - Radio campaign kicked off 3 different ads in 4am-7am radio spots
  - Governor's Proclamation
  - Frederick Keys games
  - Locator Safety Awareness Week April 22-28

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 <a href="mailto:emeier@mghus.com">emeier@mghus.com</a>.

There being no further business brought before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

## **Next MD/DC Damage Prevention Meeting:**

- April 24, 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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