



MD/DC Damage Prevention Committee (DPC)

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

Minutes of the meeting for July 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 9:34 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 June 26, 2018 were approved as written.

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

OLD BUSINESS

No reports

OPEN DISCUSSIONS REGARDING DAMAGE PREVENTION AWARENESS & COOPERATION

The committee discussed the following matters;

- Concerns regarding a utility member not providing locates for buried nitrogen & oxygen lines, contractor may file an NPV with the Maryland Authority.
- Locate question regarding best way to address weather issues; it was suggested to use the 48-hour delay code. If the weather persists, contact the excavator and discuss current locate needs and approval to use code 5, again working with the excavator.
- Discussions surrounding the re-mark ticket; the Title 12 Re-write committee is addressing the re-mark notice.
- Contractor discussions regarding the use of subs on their work site ticket(s); the Title 12 Re-write committee is talking about adding law language to allow subs to work from the prime contractor's ticket with levels of accountability and recorded work site excavator names via the call center. This new language would make the prime totally responsible for any excavation and law wrongs of the sub working under the prime's ticket(s). Some contractors stated their company would not accept such liability.
- ITIC, using the PROFILE tool; Dora Parks explained the value of using the profile function to save ITIC processing time.

NEW BUSINESS

Dora Parks stated that Gaines and Company had partnered with the call center to improve the caller experience when processing tickets in new undeveloped areas. Gaines is providing county plans identifying new roads and names, from these plans the call center is able to add the new road names to the mapping system providing quick map lookups. This is a time saver to every user of the system going forward. Dora urged contractors working in new developments to provide the same level of information to Miss Utility.

Dora provided the requested Miss Utility pins as a handout to the meeting attendees, the attendees provided positive feedback on the new pin and design.

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

SAFETY PRESENTATION

Jimmy Jennings of OCC Locating Services presented information on the new 2018, 811 Trike that was unveiled at One Call Concepts main headquarters on April 25th, Paul Jr. of Paul Jr. Designs was on hand for the reveal. Additionally, the OCC 811 bike/chopper (2010) and car (2016) were on display. Jimmy provided televised footage of the Trike build and pictures of the bike and car crisscrossing the county at various state events spreading the damage prevention and awareness message. The 811 trio (bike, trike and car) will be displayed during the 10th anniversary of the Greater Chesapeake Damage Prevention Training Conference in October 2018.

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

Dora Parks provided highlights of the MD/DC Subscribers Board Committee meeting that was held on July 12th at the Miss Utility call center.

- Reviewed three entries to replace the MD Subscriber Authority seat as Vince Healy (current Board Chairman) will have completed his second term of two years.
- Discussed the upcoming ITIC application, Next Gen. The committee will create a sub committee to work with call center management on ticket processing business rules and to incorporate best practices and law into the process.
- Reviewed details of upcoming marketing campaigns
- 2018 Advertising Budget
- Ticket volume reports
- Damage reports
- Committee reports
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As a reminder for the October 4th benefit, the following information was shared; The committee has joined Construction Angels, a 501-C nonprofit organization that aides' families in need of financial assistance following a fatal construction accident. The financial assistance is provided to surviving children and/or spouse in addition to family counseling services and household financial planning. The MD/DC Subscriber Committee and BOD has planned their first benefit outing on October 4th, a golf tournament at the Waverly Woods Golf Club. Sponsorships and golfers are needed to make this event a success. Handouts were provided.

MARYLAND UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION AUTHORITY

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

Reported by Jim Barron, Executive Director – Meeting June 6, 2017

July 11, 2017 Meeting Overview;

- Mr. Doug Levine of the Washington County Highway Department was seated as the MACo representative on the Authority Board.
- No Formal Hearings were held, the scheduled three were settled
- Two (2) NPV's set for hearings on September 5, 2018
- Reviewed and Acted on ten (10) NPV's
- We invoiced and received the balance of the 2017 PHMSA State Damage Prevention Grant

- We completed and submitted the 2018 PHMSA State Damage Prevention Grant

- The Authority approved a \$1,000 sponsorship for the 1st Annual Miss Utility Charity Golf Tournament to benefit Construction Angels.
- The Authority reviewed and approved changes to Title-12, section 12-107

The next Authority meeting is Wednesday, August 1, 2018. It is a Closed Executive Session only. No Open Meeting.

MARYLAND TITLE 12 RE-WRITE

Reported by Jim Barron, MD Authority, Executive Director

Next committee meetings are scheduled for July 26th and August 8th at 9:00 AM in the Miss Utility Conference Room. Current items being discussed: Underground Facility Definition, new Scope of Subtitle language, Authority Membership, Emergency Excavation language, One-Call Membership, Locatable/Detectable facilities, Primary/Temporary Contractors, Non-Excavation Tickets (i.e., Designer Tickets) and Cross Bore Notification Tickets.

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

Dig Smart Awards entry forms and letters were sent out on July 5th; self-nominations due August 3rd. There will be two awardees, one professional contractor from the Western Shore area of Maryland and one in the District of Columbia. 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.
- Early Bird conference pricing in effect until August 24th
- A display of the One Call Concepts 811 trio of vehicles; the bike, the car and the new trike
- A special 10th anniversary event to follow the Welcome Reception on Wednesday evening
- Keynote speaker, Robert White will present on communication through the generations in a fun and interesting fashion that will start with the baby boomers to Gen X
- (3) networking events; cornhole, golf tournament and a new cooking class with Fausto
- New rules for registration cancellations and transfers, see the website for information
- For sponsorships and exhibitor information, contact Dora Parks, dora@missutility.net

GCDPTC information is located at www.missutilityconference.com

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Scott Brown, Chairman; Vince Healy, Co-Chair

Awardees from the Scholarship entries participated in a reception on July 12th at the Miss Utility call center where they received recognition for their educational accomplishments. Each attendee received gifts, enjoyed a delicious lunch followed by a custom-made cake and ice cream. Each winner received \$1,008.11; over 260 scholarship entries were received and reviewed for (7) winners. Thank you to the committee for this successful 2018 scholarship campaign.

DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

Completed Training thru June 25th

- Len the Plumber, Baltimore
- Berkel, Silver Spring
- St. Mary's MetCom, California, MD
- Open Training, Miss Utility

Future Requested Training

- Mallick Plumbing
- Riggs Distler
- DC Water
- JL Underground

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)

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

MISS UTILITY MARKETING & OUTREACH

Reported by: MGH

Upcoming 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 – **construction trucks needed**

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 11:20 a.m.

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

- August 28th
- 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

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