



MD/DC Damage Prevention Committee

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

Minutes of the meeting for September 19, 2023
Hybrid Meeting hosted by Miss Utility in Hanover, MD
Prepared by Susan Sullivan

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Kevin Woolbright called the regular monthly meeting to order at 9:32 AM. There were nineteen (19) attendees onsite and sixteen (16) virtual attendees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the August 22, 2023, minutes, was made by David Wilkins (WSSC) and seconded by Lenny Corbin (Gray & Son) The motion carried by approval.

The approved meeting minutes will be posted at <https://www.missutility.net/excavators/>.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Lenny Corbin (Gray & Son) thanked Marc Haines (BGE) for recently attending a very early morning safety briefing.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business to report.

GUEST SPEAKER: Scott Moore | Stephen Hart | Colonial Pipeline

Scott Moore gave the presentation introduction and title: *Working Near Liquid Pipelines- What You Need To Know* and welcomed Stephen Hart as today's guest speaker. Presentation highlights included: About Colonial; How Fuel Gets To You; Colonial In Your Area; Why You Should Care About Pipelines; Working Together to Prevent Pipeline Incidents; Incident Overview; Emergency Preparedness & Response; '15:25 Moment.' Stephen hosted a number of questions to a very interested audience.

MISS UTILITY CALL CENTER

- Updates | Jennifer Arroyo (Miss Utility)
 - No updates to report.
- ITICnxt Virtual Training
 - Upcoming trainings: October 4 | November 2 | December 7
 - Please visit <http://missutility.tryitic.com/> for multiple ITICnxt resources.

- All 2023 Virtual ITICnxt Training dates and preregistration links are posted at <https://www.missutility.net/calendar-events/>.
- Dashboard Reporting: Jennifer Arroyo provided ticket volume data for the month of August 2023.
 - Inbound ticket volume: 88,677 a monthly increase of 2.140 compared to 2022
 - Outbound volume: 453,529 a year-to-date decrease of 2.441% compared to 2022
- Damage Reporting: Susan Sullivan provided YTD data through August 2023 of reported damages in MD/DC.
 - 759 utility damages (188 mains and 571 services)
 - 25.82% due to no call or valid ticket
 - 34.26% due to hitting a marked line
 - 30.96% due to incorrect locate marks
 - 8.96% due to other root causes

MARYLAND AUTHORITY | Jim Barron, Executive Director | Reported by David Wilkins

- The MD Authority held a face-to-face Open Meeting followed by a closed Executive Session Wednesday, September 13, 2023.
 - Two Formal Hearings were cancelled and postponed to the December 13th meeting due to a potential legal issue on Notice.
 - There are currently nineteen (19) NPV's to investigate and review.
 - The Authority investigated and reviewed two (2) NPV's for No Ticket Violations resulting in fines along with required Damage Prevention Training, three (3) NPV's for Marking Violations resulted in fines and a Required Policy Letter. Another was reviewed, a No Test Pit Violation, resulting in a fine along with Required Damage Prevention Training.
 - The Authority discussed a hardship request from a probable violator with a No Ticket Violation. The Authority voted to require mandatory attendance at the next in person training and then forgive the fine.
 - The Authority recognized their three (3) outgoing members, Amber Brengel from Beltsville Supply representing PWCA, Tamara Neal from Washington Gas representing the Subscribers and Paul Kwiatkowski from Howard County representing MACo.
 - The Authority is anticipating seating the three (3) new members at the next meeting in November. They are Keith Dill from David A Bramble Contractors representing PWCA, Marc Haines from BGE representing the Subscribers and Bahreh Inanloo from Montgomery County DPW representing MACo.
- The next meeting will be an Open Meeting followed by a Closed Executive Session on November 8, 2023. There is no meeting in October due to a conflict with the Maryland Subscriber's Meeting

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2023 GCDPTC | Matt Ruddo, Chairman (OCC)

- Conference Dates: October 24-27, 2023
- Conference Venue: The newly renovated Ashore Resort and Beach Club
- Conference attendees will have access to all meals, sessions and speakers, the sold-out exhibit hall, Tuesday's cornhole tournament, and the welcome reception on Wednesday evening.

- For all Conference information, please visit www.missutilityconference.com

MD/DC SUBSCRIBERS COMMITTEE & BOARD OF DIRECTORS | Scott Brown, Chairman

- 4 Miss Utility MD/DC Board Seats are expiring April 2024
 - Electric
 - Telecommunications
 - Government: DC, MD State, county, municipality
 - Professional Excavator
- Nominations will be accepted through October 6th at ssullivan@missutility.net
- Please include your name, title, and a brief bio.
- Voting will take place during the First Quarter SUB/Board Meeting in January 2024.
- Selected nominees will be seated during the second quarter SUB/BOD Meeting in April 2024.
- Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 11, 2023.

DAMAGE PREVENTION AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Kevin Woolbright, Chairman | George Daffan, Co-Chair

- DPT Upcoming:
 - October 3: Paradigm: Cumberland
 - October 4: Paradigm: Hagerstown
 - October 5: Paradigm: Columbia
 - November 3: OPEN DPT AT MISS UTILITY
 - November 8: Washington County DPW/Roads
 - November 17: Virtual SPANISH DPT
- DPT Completed:
 - August 25: Sunrise Safety Services
 - August 28: Frederick County DPW
 - September 8: Virtual DPT

All 2023 DPT dates and links are now posted at <https://www.missutility.net/calendar-events/> Onsite and Spanish Damage Prevention Training is available. Please reach out to Susan for more information.

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- Carvertise Marketing Metrics | Susan Sullivan, Miss Utility
 - Seven wrapped cars currently travel throughout Montgomery, Prince George, Charles and Washington and Frederick Counties and Washington, D.C.
 - Quantitative Performance Data for the month of August 2023:
 - Miles traveled by fleet: 11,333 (2,933 above expectation)
 - Impressions per fleet: 1,575,287 (407,687 above expectation)

- MGH Marketing Update | Gaby Lothamer | MGH
 - Fall statewide radio & Spotify Campaign
 - Miss Utility radio ads are running through the beginning of October, targeting English- and Spanish-speaking professionals and homeowners across Maryland & D.C.
 - DJ Chepe from El Zol's morning show recorded an endorsement spot promoting Miss Utility.
 - The radio ads are also running on Spotify to target mobile users in the same audience.
 - Trade Show Updates
 - The Chesapeake Region Safety Council Conference is taking place Oct. 4-5 in Linthicum Heights, MD.
 - MASN: Pre- and post-show ads are running and earning mentions.

- Dig Smart Awards | Kevin Woolbright | Chairman
 - The awards committee will meet this afternoon to review 2022-2023 Dig Smart Awards application.
 - Winners will be recognized on Friday, Oct. 27 at the 2023 GCDPTC.

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

- Inaugural GT Mid Atlantic Charity Clay Shoot to benefit Construction Angels | Thursday, October 5, 2023 | 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM | Pintail Point Sporting Clays
- Christians for Ecumenical Action Charity Golf to benefit CA | October 20, 2023 | Forest Park Golf Course | Contact cea4christ@gmail.com for more information.
- Miss Utility Subscribers and Board of Directors Golf Tournament to benefit Construction Angels scheduled for October 13th. Sponsorships are available. Please contact Kevin at bright.67@verizon.net for more information.

There being no further business brought before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:47 AM.

Upcoming 2023 Hybrid MD/DC Damage Prevention & Safety Meetings

- October (No Meeting due to GCDPTC)
- November 28
- December (No Meeting. Happy Holidays)

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