



MD/DC Damage Prevention Committee (DPC)

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

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Minutes of the meeting for February 27, 2018
Meeting hosted by Miss Utility in Hanover, MD
Prepared by Kelli Martin, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Kevin Woolbright called the regular monthly meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. followed by the customary self-introductions. Meeting attendees are listed on the last page of these minutes.

The minutes of January 23, 2018 were approved as written.

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

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Board Member Kevin Woolbright suggested the agenda be provided to attendees in paper format.

OLD BUSINESS

Clarifying an agenda item from the January 2018 meeting; emergency work requires a ticket.

OPEN DISCUSSIONS REGARDING DAMAGE PREVENTION AWARENESS & COOPERATION

- The committee discussed the following issues;
 - Emergency Tickets
 - Concern regarding Baltimore City after hour emergency response, which is contingent upon locate service agreement. Currently, Title 12 State Law does not provide for a less than two full day response on emergency tickets. Various Maryland owner-members respond accordingly.
 - Pinpoint inquired about missing emergency tickets, the Call Center asked for ticket number(s) for research. As a reference, the call center provides a daily ticket transmit to each district code providing a list of that day's transmitted ticket numbers by individual sequence number and the ticket type. If there are any issues regarding the ticket report and what the station received, the call center should be contacted immediately.
 - Water Pipe Break in Laurel, MD
 - Service disruption affected hundreds of Prince Georges County homes.
 - Compliments to BGE for doing an unbelievable job with such a massive undertaking.
 - Compliments to the staff at WSSC and especially David Wilkins (WSSC Customer Care Advocate).
 - Plumbers Assoc. & Crossbores
 - Wash Gas attended a plumber's association general meeting building good will, stronger relationships while providing relevant awareness of crossbores.

- The Authority stated that the plumbers association has had a presence at rewrite meetings since the January DPC meeting where crossbores was a topic of discussion.
- Comcast has new emergency phone number
 - New number to call for damage repairs: 877-359-1821
- Locator Safety Awareness Week (LSAW) - April 22-28, 2018
 - "Established in 2014 by Infrastructure Resources and endorsed by NULCA, LSAW addresses the need to keep our locators safe on the job. Take the opportunity during this week to acknowledge the locators you work with and let them know how much you appreciate the difficult, challenging and sometimes dangerous work they do protecting our underground utilities." (Taken from <http://dp-pro.com/locator-safety-awareness-week/>)

NEW BUSINESS

- No reports.

SAFETY PRESENTATION, TRAINING & EDUCATION

Fred Ferrer, Maryland Coordination & Analysis Center, provided information on protecting critical infrastructure.

- In wake of 9/11 attack, an anti-terrorism advisory council (ATAC) was set up. Needed a fusion center to create information-sharing protocols. ATAC is made of federal, state, and local associations.
- Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center (MCAC) serves as the focal point between federal, state, local, and private sector partners in gathering, analysis, and dissemination of criminal and homeland security information to help keep Maryland safe.
- Terror attacks happening on continuous modes of transportation - latest has been vehicles and large vans.
- Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has 16 different sectors and the concern is all of that infrastructure.
- Private sector concern is of extreme importance because most infrastructure is owned and operated by private entities (Ex: Verizon, BGE, etc.) Fred sets up partnerships/relationships with these companies.
- If you're out and something just doesn't seem right, always let them know. Contact information: 1-800-491-8447 or mdwatch@mcac.maryland.gov or www.mcac.maryland.gov.

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

February 7, 2018 Meeting - reviewed and acted on eight (8) NPV's

- NPV's were reviewed by the Authority using Fining Matrix to set violation fines
- Held 1 formal hearing (fine was paid and damage prevention training scheduled) and set one future hearing for March 14, 2018.

- Annual report to the governor was completed and submitted to the Governor and Legislature on February 2, 2018.
- Discussed having the Executive Director file NPVs on behalf of the Authority as recommended by PHMSA, voted not to do so at this time.

Next Authority meeting is March 14, 2018.

MARYLAND TITLE 12 RE-WRITE

Committee discussions included the following:

- storm drain exemption,
- responsible contractor,
- 18” vs. 24” tolerance zone,
- “call before you clear,”
- emergency tickets,
- maintenance of the marks

Next meeting is Thursday, March 1 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

- Email was sent out asking for nominations
- Banquet being held on May 11 at Prince George’s Stadium

Next meeting on Tuesday, March 27

2018 GREATER CHESAPEAKE DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING CONFERENCE (GCDPTC)

Chairman, Matt Ruddo (One Call Concepts)

- October 23-26 in Ocean City, MD at the Clarion Resort Hotel
- Post conference survey results were very positive
- There will be a special 10 Year Anniversary reception

Next meeting on Tuesday, March 27

GCDPTC information is located at www.missutilityconference.com

DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

- Upcoming Trainings
 - Reliable Contracting Co., Inc. - March 13
 - AA County Traffic Maintenance - April 5
 - City of Gaithersburg Public Works - April 17

MISS UTILITY OPEN PRE-SCHEDULED DP TRAINING

- Miss Utility – March 23

- Miss Utility – July 27
- SMECO – Sept. 7
- PEPCO – Dec. 7

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

Vince Healy, Verizon, Chairman, Scott Brown, WGL Vice Chairman

- MGH reached out to 200 public schools in Maryland and DC and have already received 22 applications
- Deadline to apply is April 6 and winners selected in early May
- Share with friends and family - applications are located at www.missutility.net/scholarship

EDUCATION, OUTREACH and DAMAGE PREVENTION TRAINING

TRADE SHOWS & EVENTS

Maryland Spring Home & Garden Show

March 2-4, 9-11, Lutherville-Timonium, MD

CGA Conference

March 6-8, Phoenix, AZ

Washington County Homebuilders Home Show

March 10-11, Hagerstown, MD

Allegany County All Things Home Expo

March 16-18, Cumberland, MD

Chesapeake AIHA/ASSE Educational Seminar

April 12, Laurel, MD

SAVE THE DATE - Touch-A-Truck

August, 25 - Bowie, MD

- Radio buys start the end of March/early April - be on the lookout during the morning drive time
- MGH states they have coverage for all events as of right now

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 10:50 a.m.

Next MD/DC Damage Prevention Meeting:

- **February 27, 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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