

"Miss Utility" of Delmarva

UTILITIES SERVICE PROTECTION CENTER OF DELMARVA, INC



Minutes of the April 20, 2017 Membership Meeting

1. Call to Order and Introductions

- ➤ President Brad Ebaugh opened the regular membership meeting at The Delaware Electric Coop., 14198 Sussex Hwy., Greenwood DE 19850.
- ➤ Mission Statement: Our mission is to assist excavators, facility owners, and the public in the prevention of underground damages, service outages, personal injury, and their associated repercussions, through education and the promotion of the One Call System.
- ➤ 31 members were present.
- > Those present gave the customary introductions.
- Tony Gersitz made a motion to approve minutes as amended, Judy Lonsdale seconded, unanimously approved by the members.

2. Presentation- Brad Ebaugh, Hazardous, not Dangerous: Digging Dangers, Strike 3

- ➤ The presentation highlighted an incident which occurred in a Kansas City restaurant, JJ's, which resulted in one fatality. There was nearby telecom construction utilizing HDD. The contractor failed to test hole to find the gas line. A gas line was damaged and the resulting migrating gas caused a gas explosion. The victim never evacuated the restaurant. There was no sense of urgency with the evacuation, and the local Fire Dept. left scene. Migrating gas is dangerous and must be addressed promptly. It is important to stop the flow of gas as soon as possible.
- ➤ Brian Simmons, OCC: The new polygon method of member notification will go live in June, 2017. Training and webinars will be available. The scope of work limit will be ¼ mile. A training video has been created. The existing grid system can still be utilized, but will eventually be phased out. OCC CSRs will utilize the new polygons.

3. Excavator Concerns

None

4. Facility Owner Concerns

None

5. General Locate Issues

- ➤ When a line is damaged, Comcast is difficult to reach. Contacts from this meeting can be utilized.
- > Suburban Propane is a private utility, not covered under Miss Utility. Homeowner is responsible for locating private utility.
- > OCC can update contact numbers on Miss Utility tickets.

6. Public Awareness

- ➤ CGA Conference in Orlando, March, 2017. AZ has law requiring marking of abandoned lines. Add "A" to the color.
- ➤ DSA April 10, 11: 179 people at event.
- ➤ April 13: POTNETS Maintenance Safety Rodeo. Used Spanish cards. A day off to emphasize Safety. Landscapers, lawn crews participated.
- Earth Day, Rodney Square was well attended.
- ➤ June 10: Camden Safe Summer Day, will be covered by Mark Gemmill and Eric Cimo
- > Radio campaigns will start this month.
- Early Bird Specials for GCDPTC are available.
- ➤ The SCOOP will be published in June/July.
- ➤ March 22: USPCD Scholarship \$1008.11 was awarded.
- New law books available- please take one.
- ➤ Gov. Carney's Proclamation for April Safe Dig Month is on display.
- > Orioles (MASN) are partnering with Miss Utility.
- > Banners available promoting Safe Digging.
- > DE State Fair is July 28,29,30. The 811 bike and car will be on display.

7. Committee Reports

- Dig Smart: will modify the award for 2017.
- Locator awards will be held on April 27, 2017 for the 9th year.
- > April is Safe Digging month.

8. Old Business

➤ Verizon clear tickets are still a problem (DPL Centerville).

9. New Business

The next membership meeting (May 18, 2017) will be hosted by Tidewater Utilities, 1100 S. Little Creek Rd., Dover DE 19901. Breakfast will be served at 8:30 am, with the meeting to commence at 9:00 am.

Attendance:

Boyer	Charlie	Purchasing/Sfty	Town of Smyrna	302-653-9288	cboyer@smyrna.delaware.gov
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Cimo	Eric	Treasurer USPCD	DelDOT	302-760-2642	eric.cimo@state.de.us
Cronshaw	Josh	Sales Rep.	Vermeer Mid-Atlantic	301-974-5963	Josh.Cronshaw@vermeermidatlantic.com
Ebaugh	Brad	President USPCD	D.E.C.	302-349-3148	bebaugh@decoop.com
Gemmill	Mark	Locator	Tidewater Utilities	302-218-8538	coachmarkg@comcast.net
Gersitz	Tony	Board Member	USPCD	302-424-2434	
Hinkle	Tim	Supervisor	West Shore Group	636-232-6047	Tim@Westshoregroup.net
Kerfoot	Rick	Const. Sup.	Comcast	410-241-3703	Richard Kerfoot@comcast.com
Keyser	Steven	Line Supervisor	Chesapeake Utilities	302-538-8514	skeyser@chpk.com
Lewis	Richard	Field Tech	Century Engineering	302-423-2586	Rlewis@centuryeng.com
Lonsdale	Judy	Specialist	Verizon	302-422-1471	judith.a.lonsdale@verizon.com
Lyon	Jason	Vice President USPCD	City of Dover	302-736-7025	jlyon@dover.de.us
Majors	Rick	Locator	Town of Smyrna	302-423-7000	
McIntrye	Ron	Construction Insp.	City of Wilmington	302-545-5016	rmcintyre@wilmington.gov
Olivieri	Dwayne	Secretary USPCD	Delmarva Power	302-429-3882	dwayne.olivieri@delmarva.com
Pond	Shelly	Office Mangaer	Willey & Co.	302-629-3327	shelly@willeyco.com
Robinson	Bobby	Construction Sup.	City of Wilmington	302-757-3897	brobinson@wilmingtonde.gov
Russell	Charles	Eng. Manager	Chesapeake Utilities	410-548-5515	crussell@chpk.com
Shinski	Katherine	Service Associate	DPL	410-758-4108	katherine.shinski@delmarva.com
Simmons	Brian	General Manager	One Call Concepts	732-796-3949	bsimmons@occinc.com
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Stern	Bettina	Mgr. of Ops., WWTP	Town of Selbyville	302-436-5271	selbyvil@live.com
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Taylor	Brian	Inspector	Easton Utilities	410-822-6110	Btaylor@eucmail.com
Taylor	David	Tech. Ops. Mgr.	Mediacom	309-279-6884	DTaylorJr1@mediacomcc.com
Thompson	Allen	Field Crew Manager	Atlantic Resource Mgt.	302-396-0862	Bigdogrt@aol.com
Wienhold	August	Linecrew Super.	Town of Berlin	410-641-3401	awienhold@berlinmd.gov
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Upcoming Events:

May, 2017

1141, 2017					
Date 05.18.17	Venue	Address	Time 8:30 am		
05.18.17 Tidewater Utilities 1100 S. Little Creek Rd., Dover DE 19901					
June, 2017	1				
Date	Venue	Address	Time		
06.15.17	Delmarva Power	4100 S. Wakefield Dr., Newark DE 19702	8:30 am		

^{*}For additional meetings, please visit our website, <u>www.missutilitydelmarva.com</u>