

# "Miss Utility" of Delmarva

### UTILITIES SERVICE PROTECTION CENTER OF DELMARVA, INC



## Minutes of the January 18, 2018 Membership Meeting

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

- ➤ President Brad Ebaugh opened the regular membership meeting at the City of Dover- JW Pitts Center, 10 Electric Ave., Dover DE 19904.
- 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.
- ➤ 29 members were present.
- ➤ Those present gave the customary introductions.
- ➤ Jason Lyon made a motion to approve minutes as amended, Steve Keyser seconded, unanimously approved by the members.

# 2. Presentation- Jason Lyon, Vice President, Miss Utility, Cold Weather Safety and Brad Ebaugh, President, Miss Utility, Annual Membership Report

- > Jason Lyon presented a plaque to Brad Ebaugh in appreciation for his dedication to Miss Utility.
- > Jason Lyon reviewed the dangers associated with frostbite and working in the cold, and how to best adapt to cold weather conditions.
- > Brad Ebaugh presented the Annual Membership Report, reviewing previous year performance. Miss Utility (MU) is an all volunteer board, whose legal name is USPCD. We operate a call center via One Call Concepts (OCC). Both education and outreach are major efforts. We held 12 monthly meetings, and board members participated in Common Ground Alliance (CGA) damage prevention conferences. MU presented Dig Smart Awards, Locator Awards and sponsored the Greater Chesapeake Damage Prevention Training Conference. OCC outgoing tickets reached almost 1.3 million in 2017. Mr. Ebaugh reviewed USPCD financial data, and listed the storage shed and trailer, and associated equipment as organization assets. For Public Awareness, the majority of spending is on education and outreach, including many community events. The SCOOP is published quarterly, and is sent to about 1800 recipients. MU promoted April as Safe Digging Month and 811 day. MU held Contractor training breakfasts and awarded MU scholarships and operates a Facebook page. MU is leading the effort to change the Delaware law to meet CGA best practices, including enforcement and compliance with Federal requirements. MU has promoted Locator recognition, and 2018 will be the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year for the awards. Mr. Ebaugh called for more excavator participation in monthly meetings. MU also compiles damage reports for USPCD members. MU holds election- for 2018, 6 members are appointed and 3 will be elected.

#### 3. Excavator Concerns

None.

#### 4. Facility Owner Concerns

None.

#### 5. General Locate Issues

None.

#### 6. Public Awareness

- > Giveaways and annual awards are available.
- Feb. 24, I Love Smyrna Day.
- ➤ Rural Water Association end of February.
- ➤ 2 contractor training breakfasts are planned for Feb. in Salisbury and March in Dover.
- ➤ SCOOP will be published by January 23.
- > Safe Dig month in April.
- > Radio ads are forthcoming.
- ➤ Locator awards will be held on April 26, 2018.
- > Jerry Platt, DE PSC: The Federal authorities were late with grants this year, but still an active program.

#### 7. Committee Reports

➤ Locator Achievement Awards- information will go out in January, 2018, for our 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Event to take place in April at the Harrington Casino. Nominations will be due soon.

#### 8. Old Business

None.

#### 9. New Business

➤ The next membership meeting (February 15, 2018) will be hosted by Choptank Electric Coop., 24820 Meeting House Rd., Denton MD 21629. 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
Burns	Mike	Manager	Utiliquest	443-786-7994	mike.burns@utiliquest.com
Cimo	Eric	Treasurer USPCD	DelDOT	302-760-2642	eric.cimo@state.de.us
Ebaugh	Brad	President USPCD	D.E.C.	302-349-3148	bebaugh@decoop.com
Ebaugh	Jonathan	Locator	Utiliquest	302-632-2347	Jebaugh@live.com
Fox	Kevin	Locator	Town of Smyrna	302-359-0633	kfox@smyrna.delaware.gov
Gemmill	Mark	Locator	Tidewater Utilities	302-218-8538	coachmarkg@comcast.net
Gersitz	Tony	Board Member	USPCD	302-424-2434	
Hughes	John	Area Manager	Verizon	215-284-4279	john.p.hughes@verizon.com
Kerfoot	Rick	Const. Sup.	Comcast	410-241-3703	Richard Kerfoot@comcast.com
Keyser	Steven	Line Supervisor	Chesapeake Utilities	302-538-8514	skeyser@chpk.com
Kozlowski	Brian	Cable Splicer	Delmarva Power	302-275-1776	briankoz 40@hotmail.com
Lewis	Richard	Field Tech	Century Engineering	302-423-2586	Rlewis@centuryeng.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	
Martin	Kelli	Outreach Specialist	occ	410-782-2030	kmartin@occinc.com
Matich	Thomas		USIC	302-233-6312	t_matich@live.com
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
Ostroski	David	Specialist	Verizon	302-537-6733	david.f.ostroski@verizon.com
Parks	Dora	Mgr, Client Rel.	One Call Concepts	410-782-2026	dora@missutility.net
Platt	Jerry	Engineer	Public Service Comm.		jerry.platt@state.de.us
Ross	Richard	Safety & Compliance	ESNG	302-270-7665	rross@esng.com
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Simmons	Brian	General Manager	One Call Concepts	732-796-3949	bsimmons@occinc.com
Skrobot	Brandon	Locator	Town of Middletown	302-650-3121	BSKrobot@Middletownde.org
Stack	Wendy	President	W. Locco	302-856-9626	w.stack@mchsi.com
Sverduk	Leroy	DE Elec. Coop.	Systems Engineer	302-632-8744	Lsverduk@decoop.com
Verga	Jim	Sales Rep	Eastcom Associates	908-803-0195	jverga@eastcomassoc.com

## **Upcoming Events:**

## February, 2018

Date Venue 02.15.18 Choptank Electric Coop.		Address 24820 Meeting House Rd., Denton MD 21629	<b>Time</b> 8:30 am				
March, 2018							
Date	Venue	Address	Time				
03.15.18	City of Wilm. Turner Complex	500 Wilmington Ave., Wilmington DE 19801	8:30 am				

<sup>\*</sup>For additional meetings, please visit our website, <u>www.missutilitydelmarva.com</u>