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# **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

Choptank Electric Cooperative 24820 Meeting House Rd. Denton, MD 21629 **February 15th, 2024** Prepared by Jesse Sapp (Board Secretary)

## 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.

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# CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- President Lyon called the meeting to order at 9:07 AM.
- The Miss Utility of Delmarva's Mission Statement was reviewed by the President.
- The meeting agenda was presented.
- Introductions were made by all attendees. Virtual attendees were asked to enter name, company name, & contact information in the Teams chat.
- Meeting attendance included 30 participants in person and virtually.
- A motion to approve the meeting minutes dated January 18th, 2024 was made by R. Lewis. The motion was seconded by B. Ebaugh. The motion carried.

# ITICnxt – DIGITAL TICKET PROCESSING (PROFESSIONAL EXCAVATORS)

- S. Sullivan gave presentation/overview. Miss Utility provides monthly ITICnxt virtual trainings. S. Sullivan provided dates for upcoming virtual trainings opportunities (3/7, 4/4 and 5/2 at 2:00 PM). Excavators are encouraged to use online system. Visit www.missutilitydelmarva.com to pre-register for these training classes and review the many resources offered. There is a Google registration. Register a minimum of two business days ahead for these free training. Interactive online training is available through the website along with several YouTube videos on how to use the system. The demo/sandbox site is still available. There is a link directly to the calendar to know when upcoming trainings are occurring. Online resources are available 24/7. The Delmarva territory has roughly 87.5% of ITICnxt use. Reach out to S. Sullivan via email (ssullivan@missutility.net) with questions.
- Susan also reminded everyone about how to correctly identify/notate the Extent of Work (EOW) when submitting a locate ticket.

# EXCAVATOR/MEMBER/LOCATING CONCERNS

G. Bryan from Shore Utilities brought up a problem with locators not fully following the instructions in the description of the submitted ticket. He mentions having to put in discrepancies

and is losing money waiting for the locates to come in correctly. R. Lewis made comments on how to support on the locating side with their instructions and if he could identify the locating company, the Board could help address the situation. J Arroyo talked about having updated mapping added quickly and working on Sussex County, DE due to the large growth. B. Ellingsworth requested for excavators to add the lot number and address in the description of the ticket to make it easier for locators.

• R. Lewis brought up that Kleinfelder was awarded a contract but the ticket load for this year has been higher than expected, leaving them currently understaffed. R. Lewis is looking to hire 3-4 new locators by March, but said if there is a critical locate need, to call him to help get the locate expedited.

## DAMAGE REPORT – January 2024

R. Lewis presented on the reports.

Percentage Reporting by Membership; DE = 18.79% MD = 12.74%

Percentage of Reporting Transmitted Tickets; DE = 13% MD = 24.48%

Root Causes;

	Mains/Services	No Call/Tkt	Hit Marked Line	Locate Issue	Other	Unknown
DE	5/19	8	10	4	2	0
ME	0 1/6	0	3	4	0	0

Please contact R. Lewis to learn more about damage and non-damage data reporting or for report questions, <u>rilewis@kleinfelder.com</u>. If zero damages, please report still.

Please remember that all gas damages need to be reported. Any other utility damages over \$3,000 need to be reported.

### **CALL CENTER TICKET VOLUME REPORT – January 2024**

Reported by J. Arroyo from OCC

Incoming Delmarva = 20,685 tickets	2023-2024 YTD % change = 4.285%
Outgoing Delmarva = 112,079 tickets	2023-2024 YTD % change = 8.750%
Internet Ticket Processing	

Internet Ticket Processing ITIC = 90%

ITIC Lite = 31%

## PUBLIC AWARENESS COMMITTEE REPORT

Reported by CJ Myers

• The UD Basketball Game sponsorship has begun. CJ Myers and J. Sapp attended the game on 1/18/24 which is sponsored by MUOD.

- Utility Defenders Marketing campaign focusing on children. Each utility has a superhero with powers related to their facilities.
- Carvertise The Board recently approved a new sponsorship package for year-round coverage.

### **OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

• Locator Achievement Awards – Asking for Gift Cards from companies involved. The gift cards should be no more than \$25 per card.

## OLD BUSINESS

None

# **NEW BUSINESS**

None

There being no other business brought before the board or committee, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by B. Ebaugh, seconded by E. Cimo, motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:26 AM.

The next hybrid General Membership meeting date is planned for March 21, 2024 at 9:00 AM.

Delaware Contractors Association (DCA) 527 Stanton Christiana Rd Newark, DE 19713

A virtual link will be emailed in advance of the meeting date for those who prefer this meeting option.

<u>www.missutilitydelmarva.com</u> for event/meeting dates and related Board & Call Center information.

<u>https://www.facebook.com/missutilitydelmarva</u> for educational & information posts - please share us!

Below is the list of meeting attendees.

### FEBRUARY 15TH, 2024

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