



“Miss Utility” of Delmarva

UTILITIES SERVICE PROTECTION
CENTER OF DELMARVA, INC



Minutes of the June 20, 2013 Membership Meeting

1. Call to Order and Introductions

- President Brad Ebaugh opened the regular meeting at the Delmarva Power Conference Center, Newark, DE.
- The meeting was called to order at 9:01 A.M.
- 23 members were present.
- Those present gave the customary introductions.
- Prior months meeting minutes approved.

2. Presentation – Marian Young, BrightFields, Inc.

- Dave Kertis introduced Ms. Young.
- Ms. Young discussed the original industry in the riverfront of Wilmington.
- The ground was filled with arsenic due to the leather production in the area.
- Wilmington had approximately thirty (30) tanneries, and all the tanneries have produced a large amount of arsenic. Additionally, an incinerator was located within the area, causing more pollutants.
- Originally the marsh was sixteen (16) feet deeper, all types of refuse was used to fill the marshland. Contaminated materials were within the fill.
- Up to the 1960's contaminated fill was put into the riverfront area.
- New riverfront construction was incredibly difficult, specifically with underground utility infrastructure.
- There is a two (2) page protocol on how to handle contaminated soil. Available from DNREC.
- New water line must be put in with select fill, due to the gasket reaction, chemically resistant gasket is allowed.
- If there is soil is contaminated, dispose it properly at the time of the construction.
- There is a tool that can be used to detect the amount of contamination in the soil, real time results.
- Level D contaminants, only need gloves, each different level has different requirements.
- Disposal costs: \$40-\$50 ton for petroleum soil, \$80 ton for arsenic.
- How deep are the contaminants, Ms. Young stated it varies, dry cleaning solvent continues to drop into the soil. The solvent is heavier than water, can vaporize into the air.
- Mr. Kertis mentioned an example of working at an area of a former tannery; Delmarva Power had to deal with only one location, but every precaution was used to protect the safety of the workers.
- Always report the incident as soon as you can to prevent further environmental damage.
- Mr. Kertis asked about fly ash, (coal burning byproduct) it used to utilized as a fill material. Ms. Young mentioned that there are two ash, fly and heavy ash. When you burn the coal, you

burn the organic portions of the coal, ash is the non-burnable part of the coal. Ms. Young believes that the fly ash is not allowed due to the arsenic in the ash.

- Mr. Ebaugh asked about other contaminated locations within the State of Delaware, such as Long Neck. Ms. Young mentioned that most cities have the same issue as Wilmington. Most Cities had gas plant, dry cleaners, fill in the rivers. Rural areas are typically pesticides, especially in orchards. In the 40-50's a lot of lead and arsenic were implemented into the pesticide to kill the insects.
- In railroad corridors, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) are the main issue. Used it as dielectric fluid for their trains. PCB's are glued to the soil; PCB's will run off to the river easily.
- Volatile Organic Compounds can be cleaned out of the soil from Cleanearth (Port of Wilmington).
- There are organic compounds that can "eat" the petroleum in situ.
- Some plants that can be planted that will uptake the metals in the soils, then remove and send out to be removed.

3. Presentation – Dave Kertis, Delmarva Power

- 23% of people that were killed in Delaware were pedestrians.
- 80% is within the City of Wilmington.
- Mr. Kertis talked about the importance to be cautious while walking.
- Lightning safety:
 - Stay in a building, or in a vehicle with windows shut. Avoid trees, canopies. Avoid metal objects, water. Crouch down feet together, never lay down on the ground. Maintain 15' from other people. Do not use appliances, phones, etc.

4. Excavator Concerns

- None voiced.

5. Facility Owner Concerns-

- Mr. Ebaugh brought up an issue, if you get a ticket or have a bad address, if you code the ticket as "incorrect address" that closes the ticket. A new ticket must be submitted by the excavator. With a new ticket, different facility owners may be affected. Mr. Kertis mentioned that at Delmarva Power, the locators try to call the excavator to verify the address, unfortunately, they do not have much success.
- Dora Parks mentioned that the ITIC 2.0 training has received many questions about the system. Issues that were not brought up for ITIC original will be an issue with ITIC 2.0. Two specific issues, OCC took the locate form, first screen your contact information (alternate contact person and phone number) it is imperative to insert a proper phone number, new application will ask for explosive use for the excavation, verification question, second screen is the information for the ticket.

6. General Locate Issues-

- None Voiced.

7. Public Awareness-Thomas Matich

- Summer edition of *The Scoop* was distributed June 18th. ITIC 2.0 and Locator Awards were top stories of this edition.
- Photos of the recognized locator's will be uploaded to the Miss Utility Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Miss-Utility-of-Delmarva/111117902243598?fref=ts>

- Mr. Matich mentioned that at each booth during an event is that we are trying to be more interactive. One example on June 14, Safe Kids Day in Camden: Ken Hill brought his bucket truck to the booth, Mr. Ebaugh brought a prize wheel, and the kids had a great time with the wheel. A line of people were at the booth. The wheel provided an opportunity to talk to the people. Publicity was given by a picture in the Dover Post. Maryland Fireman's Convention, a cornhole game was built and brought to the exhibit.
- Mr. Matich asked for pictures to be taken at the events.
- Mr. Matich brought hats and handbooks to distribute to the attendees.
- Maryland Municipal League is scheduled for June 24; Ms. Parks and Mr. Matich will man the booth.
- Ms. Young mentioned that the Brownfield Advisory Committee, environmental consultants meet quarterly, it would be a good location to meet and discuss the new law or updates. She also mentioned the DCA and ABC organizations.

8. Old Business

- None Voiced.

9. New Business

- Ms. Parks brought up the 5th Greater Chesapeake Damage Prevention and Training Conference (GCDPTC) is upcoming in October. New cards have been created, currently in the early bird phase of registration, ends in August. Ms. Parks wants this to be distributed to the people that may attend.
- Ms. Parks, two ticket check codes for contractors, discrepancy and dispute. If facility owner goes to the site and it wasn't marked, even though there is visual evidence, use discrepancy ticket. It has now been changed, if you use search and status, you can utilize an internet function to submit quickly. The dispute ticket, available for all contractors online.
- Mr. Ebaugh echoed that he wants to get as many people as we can to the conference, specifically from the Delmarva Peninsula.
- Loretta Carlson, requested any pictures, articles to be submitted for *The Scoop*.
- The next membership meeting will be held at the Delaware Electric Cooperative, 14198 Sussex Highway, Greenwood, DE 19950, refreshments will be served at 8:30am, meeting to commence at 9:00am.

Attendance:

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Upcoming Events:

July

Date	Venue	Address	Time
07.18.13	Delaware Electric Coop	14198 Sussex Highway, Greenwood, DE 19950	8:30am

August

Date	Venue	Address	Time
08.15.13	Delaware Electric Coop	14198 Sussex Highway, Greenwood, DE 19950	8:30am

September

Date	Venue	Address	Time
09.19.13	Bear Trap Dunes hosted by OCC	7 Clubhouse Drive, Ocean View, DE 19970	8:30am

**For additional meetings, please visit our website, www.missutilitidelmarva.com*