

MICHIGAN DAMAGE PREVENTION BOARD
MINUTES
January 17, 2018
10:00 AM, MITA Offices, Okemos, MI

- I. Call to Order: Rob Coppersmith called the meeting to order at 10:05AM. In attendance was Rob Coppersmith, MITA; John Hendershot, Dig-It, Inc; Ryan Schroder, Dig-It, Inc; Aaron Cox, Corby Energy Services; Kyle Kremer, Barton Malow; Jeff Quirante, MPSC; Steve Kraai, Semco Energy; Trevor Westbrooh, Semco Energy; Dirk Dunham, Consumers Energy; Laura Arnold, MISS DIG 811; Bruce Campbell, MISS DIG 811.
- II. Approval of Agenda: Bruce Campbell added Annual Meeting and Abandon Facilities to the round table discussion.
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Approval of the December 2017 Minutes: Steve Kraai made a motion to approve the December 2017 meeting minutes; Jeff Quirante, supported. Motion passed.
- IV. Update of List: No changes
- V. MPSC Damage Reporting and Complaints
 - a. Any "Board Review" Incidents or Issues: Jeff reported only two online complaints only one was related to PA 174; the damage was above \$10,000. Slow roll out of changes to damage reporting effective next year.
 - b. Presentation on Enforcement: Tabled until February meeting.
- VI. MISS DIG Update
 - a. Update on Overhead Assistance: Bruce reported Overhead Assistance will be up for testing by end of month. Question on overhead clearance will be removed from NSR script and RTE tickets; Overhead Assistance will be online only. This is the first part of the eSuite, which will include mapping for eLocate. ePlan will be live by dig season for use by homeowners for single address design requests. The eSuite will include ticket MOD which will allow users to extend their ticket, change field contact, and view ticket.
 - b. Locates without Borders: Need members to provide polygons for design, and remove grids. Discussion on accurate maps.
 - c. WebTMS: Web Ticket Management System is available to members and three members are running the system parallel to their current delivery.
 - d. Damage Prevention/Education: Monthly and Quarterly meetings are being held by Education Specialists. List of events and meetings can be found on the MISS DIG 811 website. MISS DIG 811 has launched a new platform for web based education and certification, 4iQ. A Curriculum Manager has been employed to establish curriculum map. The MISS DIG 811 Certification is already available on the platform, looking to add for no marks. Courses for Members for RMA and WebTMS are being developed and will be available on the platform. Damage Reporting through MISS DIG 811 to be reported to the MPSC.
 - e. Gold Shovel Standard over 100 members are GSS in Michigan. Promoted to municipalities; if you go GSS, MISS DIG 811 would credit back your base fee 1/3 for three years. Rob asked if MITA could bring all contractors through. GSS has formed a metrics committee made up completely of excavators to determine what to track and define what is a 'good actor'.
- VII. MDPB Best Practices
 - a. Updates on Development: Dirk Dunham reported no updates since last meeting.
 - i. Hand exposure requirements

- ii. Shallow facilities: Rob Coppersmith reported he has been meeting with milling and saw cutting companies. Most have not had a damage but own locating equipment to determine depth. Would like to consider a best practice that incorporates self-locating. Bruce asked about adding to hand exposing, soft excavating standards for use of locating equipment for use in an impervious situation. Discussion on noting shallow and deep. Perhaps if it was for milling or saw cutting work, more attention is paid to depth.
 - b. Next Committee Meeting
- VIII. CGA Update
- IX. New Business Roundtable
 - a. Annual Meeting: MISS DIG 811 Annual Meeting March; register online at www.missdig811.org
 - b. Abandon Facilities: MISS DIG 811 tracking with automated positive response.
 - c. MITA Conference: Next Week all invited.
 - d. Positive Response: Dirk brought up ongoing coordination, and the need to make contact between contractor and facility owners, and the inability to make contact 009 may be being used, because you started but not complete, which may trigger communication back to the facility owner. Rob noted that if its 009 and the contractor sees that something was marked they may assume it was marked. Ian commented that 009 is used because of the difficulty to get a hold of contractors for 005.
- X. Next Meeting Thursday, February 22 10:00AM
- XI. Adjourn: Quirante made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:04AM. Dirk Dunham supported.