

Central Ohio Damage Prevention Council Minutes

February 2023

The February meeting of the Central Ohio Damage Prevention Council took place as a hybrid meeting through zoom and in-person at the Franklin County Engineer's Office on February 15, 2023. Blake Ross read the mission statement.

Emergency Action Plan was reviewed by Greg First.

Introduction of the Attendees.

The review of the January meeting minutes took place, no changes were suggested. Greg First made a motion for approval of the minutes and second was made by Kyle Mangione. Vote was taken, all approved.

Attendance was taken through QR Code and the use of Google Forms.

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| 1. Baxter, Kevin | 14. Hegwood, Bradley |
| 2. Bullock, Travis | 15. Hunt, Aaron |
| 3. Burlett, Jessica | 16. Jewell, James |
| 4. Chuck, Chuck | 17. Kelley, Jacqueline |
| 5. Eichorn, Matthew | 18. Kleemeyer, Josh |
| 6. Evans, Jena | 19. Mangione, Kyle |
| 7. Faherty, John | 20. Reinhart, Matthew |
| 8. Faherty, Hank | 21. Thayer, Zach |
| 9. First, Greg | 22. Tonetti, Al |
| 10. Foley, Jon | 23. Wade, Lori |
| 11. Glass, Chris | 24. Wine, Mike |
| 12. Gillespie, George | 25. Zarbaugh, Tanner |
| 13. Harris, Deborah | |

*denotes first time attendees

Safety Moment:

Brad Hegwood - vehicle safety in both winter and summer

Guest Speaker:

Aaron Hun – History of Miller Pipeline; One of their more recent initiatives has been the idle reduction. So far they have save 376,901 gallons of gas which equates to over \$1 million.

Damages and Locates Discussion:

Alan with Professional Gutter And Drain was talking about having no conflict positive response on a locate, there was a drop Hit that got billed to the homeowner as well as billed to the company, was wondering if anybody else within the council was having that same issue, those bills should not be going to the homeowner, seems to be a flat fee being charged to the homeowner. Private utilities being hit continue to be a problem across the area as well. Such as water services and sewer laterals not getting marked. Those repairs fall upon the homeowner. That truly should be covered by the contractor. City Of Columbus stated that they can provide tap locations for water and sewer taps. There has been an increase in ticket volume and projects across the footprint, ticket volume in February was up 18.79%.

Old Business:

- April Safe Dig Event: We talked about planning for our April Safe Dig event. A few suggestions were additional work at Ohio Avenue elementary and Dodge Park (City of Columbus park on the near west side)

planter boxes and fruit tree plantings as well as sprucing up the skateboard park that was designed by Tony Hawk's father and possibly getting some representation from the Tony Hawk camp, if not the man himself to be on site. Please submit any other ideas you may have to Steve, Greg, or Liz. We're also looking for ideas for the 8-11, August 11, 2023 event, you can also submit those ideas to Steve, Greg or Liz.

- Marking Standard Committee: The marking standards committee will meet on March 13 at 9 AM. Steve Buskirk and Greg First will represent the council with Lori Wade being the back up. Suggestions from the council were submitted... On page 25 of the Excavator Manual, "duct bank" change language from "facility" to "number of ducts". The "M in a circle" denoting utility marked according to records or measurements, the tolerance zone is off of the dashed lines, not the outer width of the circle. On page 29 of the Excavator Manual "large diameter pipe" there needs to be language written around how often the size and type of facility should be on the ground, this should also hold for pipeline markings as well.

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New Business:

- 8-11-2023 Event
 - The Columbus Clippers do not have any home games that week.
 - We encourage everyone to think about what kind of event we would like to hold.

Subcommittees

Newsletter – upcoming in April

Utility Coordination – next meeting will be March 8, 2023

Industry News:

1. Ohio Damage Prevention Council News & Notes
2. Ohio Utilities Protection Service Updates
3. Local News
4. Home & Garden Show
 - a. February 18 – February 26
5. Regional/National CGA News
 - a. CGA April 17-21, 2023 Orlando FL
 - b. Global Excavation Safety Conference February 14-17, 2023 Tampa Bay FL
6. OUDPC/Coalition
 - a. Greg First shared the subcommittee meetings will take place on March 7 in Columbus at 10 a.m., location to be determined
 - i. Full Coalition Meetings:
 1. March 23
 2. June 22
 3. September 28
 4. December 14
7. Other News
 - a. OSHA Safety Day February 16, 2023 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - b. <https://ehs.osu.edu/osd>
8. UTC/PUCO
 - a. February 9, 2023 9 a.m. hybrid

The next hybrid meeting will be March 15, 2023 with the in-person at the Franklin County Engineer's Office 970 Dublin.

The meeting ended by Greg First.