

August 2023

MVDPC Meeting Notes

In Person Meeting started at 9:05am

Introductions and Attendance:

- QR Code Scanned for Attendance with new and improved Office Form.

Safety Message:

- Fire Extinguisher – Make sure that extinguisher is charged and ready to use. Make sure to check extinguisher monthly. Most commonly used in the Gas industry is a dry material ABC. When using an extinguisher - aim squeeze and sweep.
- Gas Fire – Try to let an actual gas fire burn.
- Tick Bites – Do not ignore tick bites especially if the bite becomes red and spreads. Lyme disease is a real threat to the health and safety of your family and pets.
- Have Safety Vests and proper PPE
- Stop Work Authority – Make sure that we use it. If we don't feel comfortable or are unsure about a situation – Stop and talk about it.

Meeting Notes approved.

Discussion –

811 Day Event – Dragons Game August 5th.

- 811 Event went well. Positioned at the front entrance for a sold-out Dragon's game. This gave OUPS the visual representation and potential awareness impact on several thousand people.
- Day Air Park has a capacity of 8200 people.
- Passed out over 500 bags from OUPS and 500 bags from CenterPoint Energy.

Locate Discussion –

- Grid Hawk had a change in management. More locators are being hired and currently have around 42 locators actively locating.
- Repeat Tickets – Make sure that you are selecting the utility that needs to be repeated instead of allowing all the utilities to be notified. It bogs down the system.

Near Miss –

- For Locators and Contractors - Prints are only guides to what is the ground. Please look around and be observant of the facilities above ground that can give clues to what is below the ground.
- Landscaper hit line because they didn't believe a new building had gas yet, but the meter was 10 feet away.
- An unmarked electric line was struck and energized the machine. Follow appropriate action immediately. Follow safety precautions when equipment is energized. Keep everyone safe and make sure they go home at night.

Projects –

- Kettering is finishing some challenging work with complex and crowded underground areas. Abandoned facilities in older neighborhoods add to complications.
- Greene County – Upgrading the main water plant and parts and pieces of the infrastructure.
- CenterPoint Energy - Modernization and improvement projects continuing. Bare Steel Cast Iron replacement is 70% done for the year.
- 3 years of BSCI left.

Ticket Volume-

- July– Up down 1.47% over last year. Year to Date up 7.22%. Up significantly from just 3 years ago.
- Total YTD tickets - 938064

811 Events -

- September 22nd – MVDPC Golf Outing. 11am start.
- Trade Show - Aug 22-24 in Columbus.
- OUPS Annual Membership Board Meeting –
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Sporting Clay Event – Oct 13th. Cardinal Center Marengo, OH

Event Discussion –

- December?
- Big Brother, Big Sister Event for MVDPC?

OUPS Updates

- iDig is changing a little. Look for notifications if you are a current user.
- Parcel tickets.