



NODPC Meeting

Wednesday, September 4th, 2024

09:30am to 11:00am

6363 Selig Blvd, Independence, Ohio, 44131

1.) Introductions

- There were thirty-one individuals in attendance.

2.) Meeting Minutes Approved

- Section 6, line 3 has a correction of March instead of Mark.

- The remainder of the meeting minutes were approved with no other revisions.

3.) Presentation: Eric Holby with Vermeer

- Eric reviewed HDD best practices.

- HDD requires an increased level of planning.

- Utility locates along with potholing/daylighting are a crucial part of a successful HDD.

- Being able to visualize the bore path before starting to drill is key to ensuring that you are taking proper steps to mitigate utility strikes. Tools are available that provides the drilling crew with a rod-by-rod plan of the preferred bore path.

4.) OHIO811 Updates

- The fall excavator seminars will be October 22nd through October 25th and will be posted on OHIO811's website soon.

- In August, OHIO811 received 144,611 notifications to the center (-5.59% YOY). Year to date, OHIO811 has received 1,062,850 (-2.6% YOY) notifications to the center.

- The annual December breakfast meeting is Friday, December 6th at Sleepy Hollow.

- The ICWHY clay shoot is Friday, October 11th at Cardinal Shooting Center at 830am. Registration for this event closes on September 20th.

- The annual membership meeting was last month. Attendance and reception were well.

5.) October NODPC Meeting – Enbridge Gas Ohio to host

- October's NODPC meeting will be held at Enbridge Gas Ohio's OTTC. The address is 418 East Hines Hill Road in Hudson.

- Attendees are to register **prior to September 25th** (to account for space/lunch). Please use the QR code on the flyer.
- Attendees **MUST** arrive between 910am and 930am as this is a gated facility with limited access.
- Lunch will be provided to those who register.

6.) Open Discussion

- The council agreed that January's meeting will be on January 8th instead of the first Wednesday of the month.
- The council agreed that there will be no July 2025 meeting.
- We discussed our collaboration with Tri-C's new Utility Technician program.
- The ODOT stated that there will be a project starting in 2025 at I77/I90.
- The OUDPC has drafted language that is ready to be introduced to the house.
- We discussed the need for utilities/municipalities to bring contractors to meetings.
- The OHIO811 damage prevention journal is available on OHIO811's website and will be sent electronically moving forward.
- The meeting was adjourned at 1039.