



Northern Ohio Damage Prevention Council

MISSION STATEMENT: *Northern Ohio Damage Prevention Council is a proactive network of stakeholders involved in all phases of activities requiring excavation. Through open communication, education, and cooperation, council members work together to maintain service integrity to customers, protect the underground infrastructure and environment, and encourage the development of excavation activities that proceed in a safe and efficient manner.*

Minutes for August 1, 2018

The Illuminating Company
6896 Miller Rd, Brecksville, OH 44141

Presenter: Les Hendershot, SafetyMan Consulting
Topic: Observation vs. Perception

Meeting opened at 9:32 by Vita Moore

Les Hendershot began the presentation about Observation vs. Perception

- Observation is the ability to notice things in detail to gain information
- Perception is the act of becoming aware using your senses
- Which comes first?
 - Similar to the chicken vs. egg question...which came first?
 - We need both to make the right decision
 - Chuck Green: I think you're leaving out "impression", this changes your objectivity.
- Les presented photos of a motor vehicle accident taken at different angles and the council discussed our perceptions & observations of the scene.
- Les stated that he shows pictures of the markings for areas they are working on to all of his crews
 - He then asks them a simple question, Do you know what this means?
 - The only way to get better observation/perception from workers is through training, training & more training.
 - Crews should always perform a 360 degree look around before starting any work.
- Les then presented slides and quizzed the group on their ability to observe different aspects of the slides and prizes were awarded to the most observant members.

Introduction of members

March 29, 2018 minutes were reviewed & approved.

May 2, 2018 minutes were reviewed & approved.

O.U.P.S. Updates and Announcements via Chuck Green

- 134,220 tickets for July, which is record, up 12.7% from last year.
- 939,000 notices went out to the utilities in July
- For the year, 853,100 tickets entered, over 5 million notices sent out, up 1.09% for year.
- This upcoming weekend is the Deerasic Classic in Cambridge, Ohio which usually draws over 30,000 people.
- On August 11, there is a National CGA event—Ohio811 will be geofencing all Home Depots in Ohio.
- Excavator training will take place November 6-8, 14-15 in Bowling Green, Plain City, Coshocton, Fairlawn, Geneva & Chillicothe.
- The new logo for Ohio811 is now available on the website.
- The annual membership meeting is August 15-17, you still have time to register and we are still looking for sponsors.
- On September 28 we are hosting the Big Brothers/Big Sisters sporting clay event.

- The coalition did have a meeting and discussed legislation for:
 - Defining size & scope of a ticket
 - Determining the definition of 48 hours
 - The life of a ticket
 - Training requirements

Anna Bell: We are having a NODPC contest

- Creative sign contest
- Marquis, billboards, etc.(must be in public view)
- Submit photo to be entered
- Winner gets \$100 gift card, presented at the December breakfast

Golf Outing Results

- We had 100 golfers, \$130 donated to Cornerstone of Hope
- Todd Leslie’s team won
- Will plan on same place next year, we will let you know the date

2019 Speaker Forms were handed out—we hope to have all of next year’s speakers lined up by the December breakfast. Interested in having a firefighter come in to speak.

The next meeting is on September 5th at the Illuminating Company.

Open Forum:

- Kevin Anderson: We should make Marking Standards discussions a recurring item on each month’s NODPC agenda. All were in agreement.
- Andy Cirata: Introduced himself, from United Rentals in Richfield. He stated they were hosting an event 8/14-/8/15 on confined space safety, OSHA safety training, dynamic speakers. The invite was forwarded to Kimberly Madden & then sent out to all members.
- December Breakfast speaker ideas: Howie from OSHA was recommended, Les Hendershot stated he would ask him if he would be able to present. There is also a new law on communication towers, maybe we can get a speaker in about that.
- Chuck Green: The UTC updates link is now available on the Ohio811 website.

Attendance Drawing—Dave Del Rio was drawn, not in attendance. Drawing is at \$100.

Motion to end meeting by Jim Buetel, 2nd by Scott Templeton.

Minutes Approved: _____

Kimberly Madden, Recording Secretary

Next Meeting September 5, 2018– The Illuminating Company

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Email: kmadden@firstenergycorp.com to confirm your attendance. Thank you.

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Utilities Council of Northern Ohio - Scheduled Meetings Dates for 2018

January 3, 2018	Don MacBride, Dominion East Ohio & Tour of New Facility	*Dominion East Ohio’s New Training Facility
February 7, 2018	Meet N Greet	The Illuminating Company
March 7, 2018	City of Cleveland	The Illuminating

		Company
March 29, 2018 (April's meeting)	Badger Daylighting	*OUPS Tour of new Facility
May 2, 2018	Terry Perona, The Illuminating Company	The Illuminating Company
June 8, 2018	Annual Golf Outing	*Briarwood Golf Club
July, 2018	No meeting due to holiday	*
August 1, 2018	Les Hendershot, Safetyman	The Illuminating Company
September 5, 2018	John Rook, Bloodhound	The Illuminating Company
October 3, 2018	Bill Hocevar, UTC Update	*Great Lakes Construction
November 7, 2018	Scott Templeton Cleveland Thermal	The Illuminating Company
December 7, 2018	Annual Breakfast	*

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