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## **May 2nd, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

Location: HDR Inc. – 9987 Carver Drive, Blue Ash, OH 45242

### **Introduction**

Meeting began at 1 pm; Dave Berens opened meeting with introductions, a quorum was established

### **Minutes**

No meeting minutes for the April meeting.

**Education Topic** – FirstStar Safety brought in and demonstrated new flagger pole attachments with rechargeable red and yellow flashers.

They also had the new Class 2 t-shirts, which are available with black bottoms.

### **New Business**

#### **Committee Updates:**

- The Red's Findlay Market Opening Day Parade was a great success. Walt Pegram discussed advertising that 811 (Ohio/Kentucky/Indiana) has contracted this year with the Red's. There will be ads on the Red's telecasts, Jeff (The Cowboy) Brantley's radio show and the GABP outside jumbotron.
- The OKI Annual Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup> @ Walden Ponds.
- The Annual Dinner will be held on Friday, Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> (8/11 Day) @ Germania Park.
- The Annual OKI Luncheon will be held Friday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> @ Haufbrau Haus Newport.

#### **Upcoming or Ongoing Projects**

- Nothing major. Continued ongoing projects with the ongoing good weather.
- Reminder that working near the street car you must have Metro (TransDev) Permit as well as City of Cincinnati Permit.

### **Local OCA Update**

- State contractors luncheon will be held May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Last Month Damages**

- 4A Company hit an 8" water main in Florence, KY that the locate was off by 11'.
- Duke Gas had 197 gas hits thru April which is down from this point last year. Mainly hitting services at the curblin.

### **KY & IN 811 Updates**

- KY 811 –March ticket volume was down, but 811 Now ticket volume was up. The COX Utilities/811 Hot Air Balloon will be in the tri-state in May & June. The balloon will be in Newport, KY across from GABP for the Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> Red's game. It will also be at the Florence Freedom stadium, Germania Park, Dayton Gragons and hopefully used by FOX19 for their morning weather report. Volunteers are needed for all events and those interested should contact Walt Pegram.
- IN 811- Added a provision to the law about planning tickets.

### **OUPS Update**

- Ticket volume continues to be up. OUPS will be working with KY & IND on the 811 balloon events.

### **Open Discussion**

- Looking for ideas for speakers for this year's council events.
- Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> is the Kentucky Derby. 811 is sponsoring CLASSIC EMPIRE with jockey JULIEN LEPAROUX aboard. There is a social media toolkit online <http://commongroundalliance.com/damage-prevention/toolkits/811-campaign>
- The first Boots on the Ground Safety Meeting was well received and we hope to do more in the future. Big thanks to Ray Courts, AMS Construction for putting it together!
- Paradigm pipeline safety meetings are back in swing, with the Sharonville meeting being held on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Next Meeting**

**June 6th, 2017 at 1:00pm @ HDR Inc. – 9987 Carver Drive, Blue Ash, OH 45242**

Meeting was adjourned.