

# Miami Valley Damage Prevention Council 011/11/2020

Meeting started at 9:01 am by Andy Jacobs

(Jim Wooten absent)

- **Introductions**
  - Tye Chapman, Jessica Gonzalez, Andy Jacobs, Jason Broyles, Stan Irvin, Tracy Barnhart, Robert Stallman, David Gilland, David Thompson, Tiffney Jackson, Leangela Pierce, Benjamin Jones, Jason Cash, Jeff Kursman, Matt Hennis, and Nathan Russell
  
- **Safety Message**
  - Andy Jacobs- Stay focused on daily tasks. Lack of focus could end in injury
  - Slip trips and falls are on the rise with lack of focus. Also, one of the top hazards in our industry
  - Lack of focus with driving as well. Another one of the top safety hazards and one of the most dangerous parts of our job.
  - Rut is in so deer are moving a lot. Watch out for them on the roads. Do not swerve toward on coming traffic to miss an animal. As deer approach make sure you look for more deer on both sides of road.
  
- **Educational speaker**
  - No presentation or educational speaker this week.
  
- **ABC Safety day**
  - In person, not as large as normal only 150 people and 20 vendors maximum.
  - -January 20th at Sinclair College in Dayton, Ohio. Starts at 8am.
  - Will have a go to meeting to explain roles at a future date. Info on this to come.
  
- **Discussion of Damages/Locate issues**
  - There is an uptick in damages due to not calling in tickets and not spotting lines.
  - It's that time of year for damages.
  - Marks are being destroyed by home builders causing mass remarks.
  - Contractors please make sure that you are calling in only the tickets/scope that you need. Anything more than what you need results in loss in time for locators.
  
- **Projects**
  - Vectren's bare steel cast iron projects are on all called in and being worked on. No new projects for BSCI crew until 2021.
  
- **OUPS NEWS**
  - There will be some virtual seminar's coming up, register on Ohio 811 website.
  - It looks like there will be no in person Paradigm meetings. The meetings could be going to be virtual for 2021. More information when it becomes available.
  - October in Ohio 132204 tickets received **-3.77%** from October of 2019.

- Total tickets for the year 1,241,967 tickets +0.2% from 2019
- Miami valley 10555 tickets called in October
- **Other discussions**
  - Committee members went to all OHIO damage prevention meeting. Collective goal of trying to bring more people in was everyone's goal. We had discussions on how to make our meetings better.
  - We have a Facebook page that we will start posting new messages. Please like and share when info becomes available.
  - Marking standards meeting coming up. We need 2 reps for 3-4 meetings. Reps need to take good notes. We need to pick 2 people. Make sure those people are from different aspects
- **Round table**
  - . Guest speakers for next year?
  - Request for a speaker on 5g technology and expected growth. Most people agree this would be a good topic. Andrew Jacobs will try to find a speaker on this subject.
  - Homebuilder association is an entity in Cincinnati. Jason is trying to get them here to Miami Valley. Any problems in new home building plans, let Jason Broyles know he can help.
  - **Reminder December 9<sup>th</sup> we will have officer elections.**
  - Happy Veteran's day!!! We appreciate your service.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:47am**