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5/9/18

11:00am

Catherine Stafford, Jennifer Libby, Dave Mauerman, Tim Davidek, Bill Fisher, Briant Thomas, Jim Moskal

On Phone: Jeff *Arish* (Tri-County electric), Kyle Kremer, Steve Makowski, Rhonda Smith, Bob Madison

March 15, 2018 MISS DIG 811 GSS Committee Agenda •

GSS Program update (DAVE) – Dave spoke about the Conference that occurred in April. He mentioned the excavator metrics and the new software tool.

o Investing heavily in technology and staff

o GSS Spring Conference – April 10, Lost Pines (Austin), TX

▪ Excavator Metrics – history and development

▪ ShovelSafe – new software tool – allows excavators to track and analyze their inputs.

▪ Pre-Excavation committee – owner/operator locators to help build a metrics program. Catherine asked if anyone in our network was included in this committee.

o GSS Primer – to enable, empower and leverage – this will commence later today (5/9) and help to inform educational specialists to help answer questions about GSS.

• Member updates (DAVE): Consumers, DTE Gas, TCL&P

Late Stage: SEMCO, Homeworks, Detroit/DWSD – Catherine spoke with Gary Brown from Detroit and is expecting/hoping the ordinance to go through in July.

 o Others: GCDC, Canton, Bates, Ecorse, Holland, Comcast, Lennon Telecom – Owosso is interested as well. Rhonda is standing by to assist with any inquiries. Catherine said that a sidewalk company has been hitting her lines in Detroit who haven’t been calling in tickets, got them to call in tickets in Detroit but nowhere else. Rhonda said she is having trouble reaching Ecorse. There seems to be some misunderstanding of the GSS process. Catherine asked if there was anything else new to add?

o MI: 233 (81 added since March)

• Dig Season strategy

o Communication – a brochure can be put together at the primer meeting.

o Events – perhaps host an open house? Tim and Jim didn’t think that turn out would be very good. Jim suggested contacting trade associations and unions to help get the word out. Catherine asked how we can keep GSS on the minds of contractors (awareness). Focus on what can be done onsite this summer with perhaps an event in the fall. Jim suggested linking to GSS from MD tickets email confirmations or RTE?

• Takeaways (to be done by next meeting - July) – Catherine suggested breaking down tasks into smaller pieces to make accomplishments easier. Catherine will commit to scheduling a meeting with DTE Electric and Ecorse. Tim will try to get GSS put into their specs and bidding documents. Bill will set up a meeting with the City of Rochester Hills. Rhonda will commit to assist with anything we need help with.

* Next meeting to be held last two weeks of June, Bill will send out a Doodle.