

Pennsylvania Precast Association

Membership Meeting

May 3, 2017

Welcome

Self-Introductions and Anti-Trust Reminder

Minutes were approved from March 8, 2017 meeting

PENNDOT Topics

- Joe Bracken discussed PennDOT issues relevant to precast industry
- Sharepoint – become a partner and submit drawings.
- LRFD Manhole new standards are in effect by June 15, 2017. Exceptions are on a case by case basis.
- The supplemental CS-4171 has not yet been approved. Bob Horwhat plans to issue a Clearance Transmittal in June.
- A box culvert committee conference call was held on April 19th. Discussion regarding gaskets and options of either hard or soft needs to be resolved. No standard designs are required for Precast Box Culverts. There was some discussion for districts to bundle “like” jobs.
- There was some discussion regarding Post-Tensioning duct tolerance. It was decided that if a #8 bar can pass through 1 ½” duct then alignment is acceptable. (#9 bar for 2” duct) Zero tolerance is not attainable. Some discussion about optimum lead time. Another conference call will be scheduled for September.
- Skewed boxes can be made with precast concrete, cost considerations come into play versus standard non-skewed boxes. BD drawings are guidelines only.

- New discussion on the PennDOT BD-632 standard. Note should state “1 ½” maximum” for the batter on top in the tongue and groove joint.
- PPA members requested that changes to 632 be circulated for industry comments prior to changes.
- Stock items- PennDOT is still cleaning up the list.
- PennDOT has approved the use of Max precast tie wire for tie wire machines. Their wire is acceptable as domestic and precaster does not have to complete CS-4171 for foreign steel. They are proprietary product and will not be listed in PennDOT Bulletin.
- ASR Mitigation task force is wrapping up testing. There should be implementation by end of 2017.

Associate Spotlight

Craig Coggins – EJ gave a presentation on ductile iron access hatches and corresponding “left in place” forming skirts - see attached presentation. Craig can be reached at Craig.Coggins@ejco.com

Associate Spotlight for 2017: Tentative Schedule

Sika Corp and Nycon/ALP Supply: September meeting

Summers Trucking and Forta Corporation: November Meeting.

If you would like to be added to the list of future presenters, please contact MS.

Action Items up from March 2017 meeting

- OSHA Crane Certifications
- Changes to the law are possible according to NPCA - the current deadline is 11/17/17. Training is delayed until the fall to see if there are any changes. Monarch Products Company is tentatively holding group training. Contact Ed Wagman for more information. Ed has been in touch with NPCA and clarified that your crane operators must be certified for the specific boom that they will be operating.

Membership and Marketing

- PPA now has 19 producer members, 4 Professional Members, and 22 Associate Members. Please welcome new members Baughman Tile Company, Scales Industrial Technologies, Lafarge/Holcim Cement and Lehigh/Hanson Cement.
- Please review your vendors and associates that are not involved. Send MS info of someone that may benefit from PPA membership.
- The 2017 dues invoices were sent out. Please pay your invoice if you have not done so and update the mailing address if you still have Hank in Allentown as the contact.

Executive Director Report

- The new PPA web site is now live – still working on adding content. Please check it out to make sure your logo and contact information are correct. www.paprecast.org
- MS requested images and product information for updated web site content and e-newsletter and project profiles. Please send project info and photos to info@paprecast.org.
- The old email address of info@caba-bridges.org is no longer valid. Please use info@paprecast.org
- If you are not receiving the PPA electronic newsletter, please let MS know to be added to the mailing list.

Review of Recent Financials:

- PPA current bank balance (as of May 1, 2017)= \$ 31,900

Key Dates

September 6, 2017 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA
October 12-14, 2017 – NPCA Convention, Atlanta, GA
November 1, 2017 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA