

Pennsylvania Precast Association

Membership Meeting

November 1, 2017

Welcome

Self-Introductions and Anti-Trust Reminder

Minutes were approved from September 6, 2017 meeting

PENNDOT Topics

- Joe Robinson, the new Chief Materials Engineer at PennDOT introduced himself to the group.
- He shared his contact information for anyone who might want to reach him. Phone 717-705-3841 and email josrobinso@pa.gov
- The PA Steel Procurement Act is being reviewed by APC. PPA will check their progress
- Comments were submitted for the latest Clearance Transmittal. More revisions to Pub 145 will be forthcoming in December.
- There was some discussion regarding the reasoning behind the comments to the CT. The 72 hour limit for application of gasket material was reviewed.
- PT ducts- no tolerances in spec. The rebar pass through will still be used as acceptable method. Design standards still not approved.
- PennDOT is still reviewing the segmental rigid frame standards.
- Fabrication and erection tolerances are still being discussed.
- Currently there are no standards for rigid frames.
- PennDOT plans to include tighter tolerances on bedding for precast box culverts.
- 100% dry fitting at the plant should not be required. Should manufacturer's rep be required to be on site for installation of box culverts? If there is a site condition it should be reported.
- It was noted that the PennDOT force jobs typically have the best culvert bases. They use fines that are laid down on top and raked to accommodate culvert.
- PennDOT will be issuing letter requesting a plan from precast plants as to how they will handle silica sand control. Each plant/location should have an exposure limit plan. Future discussion as to whether SDS sheets will be required with certs at delivery.
- ASR Mitigation- Step 2 is out for review. Precasters should review their mix designs. Forward any questions to PennDOT.

Associate Spotlight

Steve Freysz from Summers Trucking gave a presentation on the Electronic Log mandate that goes into effect in December. See attached for more information.

Associate Spotlight for 2018:

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

Action Items up from September 2017 meeting

- OSHA Crane Certifications – deadline has been postponed until 11/17/18.

Governance

2018 PPA Slate of officers were voted in unanimously

- Past President= Tom Dixon, Dixon Precast
- President = Todd Monahan, Airmatic, Inc.
- Vice-President = Nadine Crapo, Faddis Concrete Products

- Secretary= Rick Amlin, Delta Engineers
- Incoming Treasurer= Scott Nemcek ,Mack Industries

Other Items for discussion

- Bearing pads – the spec is written to mark and test all reinforced bearing pads. Should this include ALL bearing pads – noise walls use bearing pads only for install. It was suggested to change the threshold for this spec.
- Discussion regarding temporary barrier inspection. PennDOT allows barrier from other states (not inspected) to be used on PA projects. Why is PennDOT still inspecting temporary items? Can this be changed?

Membership and Marketing

- Welcome Deihl Vault and Precast as our newest member!
- PPA now has 19 producer members, 4 Professional Members, and 20 Associate Members.
- Please review your vendors and associates that are not involved. Send MS info of someone that may benefit from PPA membership.
- The 2018 dues invoices will be sent out shortly.

Executive Director Report

- 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.
- 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 October 31, 2017)= \$ 26,773

Key Dates

Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, 2017 - NPCA Production & Quality School (PQS), Baltimore
January 3, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA
February 13-15, 2018 – MAQAW, Dover, DE
February 21-24, 2018 – The Precast Show, Denver, CO
February 21-22, 2018 – PA Concrete Conference, Harrisburg, PA
March 7, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA
May 2, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA
September 5, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA
November 7, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA