



## PMP 3rd Quarter Meeting Agenda September 11, 2024, 10:00 AM

The Conference Center at Pitt-Johnstown  
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### Business Meeting

- Call to Order
- Introductions of Attendees
- Secretary's Report & Approval of Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Future Speakers/Venues
- New Business

### Technical Forum:

- PCA Updates – Rachel Gleason
- PACA Updates
- DEP Updates
- EPA Air Emissions Reporting Requirements Rulemaking
- MSHA Silica Rule
- PSU Critical Minerals Research Grant
- PAYback Program Experiences
- Member Items/Open Discussion

### Presentation

- **Speaker: David Williams, P.E., P.L.S.**
  - **Bio:** *Graduated from Penn State with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mining Engineering in 1980. Registered in Pennsylvania as a Professional Engineer in Mining and also as a Professional Land Surveyor. Worked as a mining engineer in the anthracite region of Eastern Pennsylvania for over 44 years. The concentration of his work was with engineering and surveying of anthracite deep mines. David was the Mining Engineer Supervisor in the PA DEP's Anthracite Deep Mine Safety Division for 16 years. He is also a board member of the Anthracite Chapter of the Society of Mining Engineers, Schuylkill County Historical Society, and Schuylkill County Tourist Bureau.*
  - **Topic: The Battle of the Crater, 1864:** *The incredible plan by the 48th PA Regiment which was comprised of anthracite coal miners from Eastern Pennsylvania to develop a tunnel to blow up Confederate fortifications at Petersburg, Virginia that would have ended the Civil War. The discussion concentrates on the mining engineering skills and survey work that were used to develop a tunnel over 510 feet long. The project began without the support of higher command. The anthracite coal miners very cleverly learned how to use their resources to develop this tunnel when they were told that it would never work.*

### Adjournment

Lunch to be provided by PA Mining Professionals & University of Pitt-Johnstown immediately following the meeting. Buffet style lunch will include pulled pork, scalloped potatoes, green beans, corn bread muffins, lemonade and iced tea. Donations for lunch are at each members discretion and greatly appreciated.

**\*Note: Virtual Link will be available and provided prior to meeting. PDH Credits will be awarded.**