

**NCUCC Meeting  
Nov. 13, 2007  
PSNC Energy,  
Asheville, NC**

**Attendees:**

Mark Hannah	PSNC Energy	David West	NCDOT
Theresia Creswell	Duke Energy	John Grindstaff	Charter Comm.
Jon Vascellaro	Charter Comm.	Greg Bailey	AT&T
Danny Harris	PSNC Energy	Gary Guthrie	UTS
David Jackson	Piedmont NG	Terry Brown	C.O.A. Water Dept.
Gary Guthrie	UTS	Barry Owens	Charter Comm.
Rick Mahaley	Piedmont NG	Bruce Conway	Pike Electric
Jim Keadle	Pike Electric	Mark Gregory	Charter Comm.
Joe Lamm	Embarq	Jim Atkins	Piedmont NG
Sandra Johnson	PSNC Energy	Marc Worth	PSNC Energy
George Bloodworth	NC One Call	Howard Johnson	C.O.A. Water Dept.
David Hannah	C.O.A. Water Dept.	Beth Tingle	NC DOT
Carl Ownbey	NC DOT	Terry Walker	Plantation Pipeline Co.
Karen Owens	City of Asheville H2O	William Deal	CMU
Andrew Ponder	Telics	Steve Nichols	Telics
Tom Brookshire	PSNC Energy	Jeannine Bowers	Duke Energy
Victor Q	UtiliQuest	Scott Hamrick	UtiliQuest
Don Dunn	Charter Comm.	Kenny Bolding	ProTect Locators
Greg Benton	NC DOT	Chad Peck	NC DOT
Ken Stines	MSD	Jim Hemphill	MSD
Roger Watson	MSD		

**Call to order**

**Old Business:**

**Theresia Creswell, chairperson, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.**

**Introductions were made around the room. The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed. A motion was made and approved to accept the September minutes. The Treasures report was given to the group. The current balance is \$12,061.57. There are no outstanding invoices due.**

**Committee Reports: Mark Hannah reported the on the site committee meeting on 11/12/07. A conference call will be on Dec. 19. The theme for the 2008 joint meeting will be "Making a difference from the mountains to the coast". The registration fee for the meeting will be \$60 for attendees and vendor fee will be \$400. We still need to line up speakers for the joint conference, contact Mark or Danny Harris if you have someone in mind. The joint NC & SC conference will be held April 30 thru May 2, 2008 at the Crowe Plaza in Asheville, NC.**

**The money committee has approved the purchase of new home owner brochures and excavation manuals to be distributed to the local UCC's. Ron Fair Banks is working on this task.**

**New Business:**

**Nominating Committee:** Mark Hannah reported that Steve Nichols is withdrawing from the Treasures position, his nominated replacement is Sandra Johnson. The floor was opened to any other nominations, and a motion was made to open the floor for a vote on the position. The motion was seconded and a vote was taken with all in favor. Theresia thanked Steve for his excellent service to the committee.

**Reports:**

**NCDOT - David West -** David reported that I-40 east is slow due to paving delays. David reported on which areas are growing. The average amount of encroachment requests are as follows: Wake county 877, Mecklenburg 372, Gilford County was third. The least number reported was Jones County.

**NC One Call- George Bloodworth -** The one call center has taken 1,000,000 calls and remote entries through the month of October. This is a decrease compared to last year. Ticket transmissions were around 6 million. This is down 1.1% from 2006. Positive response has reduced the number of calls and a slow down in construction. The One Call center is requesting UCC to report the number of damages and the causes of damages. The One Call center needs this information in order to plan ways to reduce damages. The One Call center is working on a reporting system called Virtual Dirt. "Damage information recording tool" This is a system that allows them to gather information. The application will be added to the web page. Damage reports can be submitted this way. Various reports will be generated from this system. The Newtin remote ticket entry training is still on going. This training is available on line. 50% of all tickets are entered by remote entry. The deadline for training is the end of December. The next holiday is at Christmas Dec 24 & 25. The NCUCC held its third quarter at Lake Lure in Oct. The budget was approved and they approved a increase in the cost of tickets from .59 to .65 for 2008. The NC league of municipalities was given a seat of the board of directors. The homeowner's brochure is being reworked to say provided by NC Utility Coordinating Committees. The next NCOCC board meeting is Jan 18, 2007. The One Call Center will also have open house on Jan. 18 at 1:00 PM. See the web page for details

**Railroads -** None were present

**Power Companies -** No report.

**Gas Companies -** Terry Walker, Plantation Pipeline reported that they were busy with a lot of activities, he also added that the One Call system helps to protect there system. David Jackson reported for Piedmont Natural gas, Business had picked due to the onset of colder weather, construction is working on no heat orders and the company is continuing to work on bring

change to the organization.

**Cable and Telecom Co. - Greg Bailey, AT&T reported that AT&T will be changing the marking for their lines starting Dec. 1; long distance will be ATT/T (Transmission), ATT/D (Distribution), ATT/TFO (ATT Transmission Fiber Optics), and ATT/D FO (ATT Distribution Fiber Optics)**

**Contractors - no report**

**Local UCC reports:**

**Buncombe County UCC- Rodger Watson- they have adopted their by laws and are updating the roster. They are meeting with Henderson county UCC the 3rd Thursday of each month.**

**Wake County UCC - Sandra Johnson - They meet the last Tuesday in the month. They just completed their contractor's breakfast on Oct. 25. with 125 people attending the breakfast. They are using tailgate safety teams to meet with contractors. They are not meeting in Nov. & Dec. They will meet on the last Tuesday in January.**

**Davie/ Yadkinville UCC - Rick Mahaley- They had a cookout in Sept. with 30 people attending. They are not meeting in Dec.**

**Forsyth/Stokes County UCC - David Jackson- Last meeting was in Oct. with good attendance. They are continuing to work on contractors with several plumbers attending the last meeting. Several vendors also attended the meeting and there were several door prizes given away. The next meeting will be Feb. 14 at Piedmont Natural Gas in Winston Salem.**

**Ken Stines- MSD- Ken reported problem with spotting lines and not knowing if they are abandoned lines. Dead lines have been spotted and live lines cut after resuming digging. This has happened several times in the last month.**

**PorTect locators - Kenny Bolding- They are locating for PSNC in Henderson County. Please call them if you have any problems.**

**Charter Communication- They were asked for a local number for damages. The number is 864-809-0701.**

**Foothills UCC - Theresia Creswell- They meet the first Tuesday of each month. They have had several safety tailgate meetings.**

**Presentation: Jeannie Bowers - Duke Energy- "A plan for Sustainable Energy Future" Jeanie presented a short program detailing Dukes efforts to conserve energy.**

**Next meeting of the NCUCC will be held at the Piedmont Natural Gas Operations Center, 2611 Greengate Dr, Greensboro, NC 27406 on Jan. 17 at 3PM. The NCOCC board meeting will be held Jan. 18 at the Grand Over resort in Greensboro.**

**2008 Meetings**

**January- Piedmont Natural Gas Greensboro Jan 17. 3PM**

**March - PSNC, Raleigh March 11.**

**May - Joint NC & SC Conference, Asheville April 30 thru May2. 2008  
Crowne Plaza Resort.**

**July - Duke Energy Hickory, NC July 8. 2008**

**Sept- Piedmont Natural Gas, Wilmington, NC - Sept. 9 2008**

**Roanoke Rapids Dominion Energy, Nov 11, 2008**