



North Carolina Utilities Coordinating Committee

Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2010 10:00am

PNG Offices, 1921 8th Ave. NW, Hickory, NC

Call to Order & Welcome to Guests

- David Jackson called the meeting to order at 10:01 am and welcomed all of the attendees. As outgoing President, he thanked everyone for the support they have given during his tenure, and expressed his desire that we all will support the incoming officers.

Installation of New Officers

- David Jackson introduced the new officers: President- Bruce Sheldon, Vice President – Tom West, Treasurer - Sandra Johnson, Secretary – Doug Morris

Presentation: Doc Asbury – NC811, *First Responder's Pipeline Presentation*.

- This presentation illustrates the various things that first Responders need to be aware of at a damage site. Flammability and ignition ratios are a part of the data presented, and there are several attention-grabbing videos.
- Upcoming meetings to First Responder folks will be held in Salisbury on August 10th and in Charlotte on October 27, 2010. See their website (NC811PA.org) for more information and locations as they are added. Meetings have already been held in Gastonia and Fayetteville.

Old Business

- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – Motion made to approve as-written, seconded, and approved.
- Treasurer's Report – No Report
- Committee Reports
 - **Vendors** – We had 22 vendors (19 paid) at the joint conference that brought in \$7,600. We had Sponsors for 1 breakfast and 2 breaks totaling \$2,500, and an anonymous contribution for \$250. There were approximately 200 attendees @ \$60 each. SCUCC contributed \$500 to our conference. It was suggested that we reciprocate for 2011; no action taken today.
 - **Finance** – No report
 - **Speaker** – No speaker yet for September meeting. NOAA tentatively scheduled for the November meeting.

New Business

- PayPal Account / Donations – This account was set up for the Joint Conference so that attendees could pay electronically. David Jackson recommends that we keep the account and re-establish the "Donate" button for the PayPal account so that we would be in a position to accept donations at any time of the year. Motion made to keep the account active, seconded, and approved.

Reports

- A. **North Carolina DOT** – Robert Memory.
 - a. Design-build turnpike projects are expected to increase. Call him if you need assistance expediting utility relocations.

- b. Developing a workflow chart for utility companies to expedite relocations. Mapping: as chairman he has called for a synthesis on whether DOT's should be One-Call members – overwhelming YES!
- c. He had a scary 911 call to report a gas smell; the operator gave a less than satisfactory response and he had to ask for the worker's supervisor to get action.
- B. **NC811** – Counts are up, work is 5.8% ahead of last year; 2.6 M transmissions, up 3.3% from last year. Membership is increasing.
- C. **Railroads** – No report
- D. **Power Companies** – No report
- E. **Gas Companies & Gas Pipeline Companies** – No report
- F. **Cable TV & Telecommunications Companies** – Bruce Sheldon.
 - a. Time Warner is bringing fiber optic to 200 Verizon towers.
 - b. New Utility (Distributed Antenna Systems) in NC. They are attaching Wi-Fi antennas and repeaters to existing poles.
- G. **Contractors** – No report
- H. **Locate Companies** – UtiliQuest won't be locating AT&T after 8/5, but picked up additional Time Warner business.
- I. **Local UCCs**
 - a. Carter-Craven doing well with great attendance.
 - b. Blue Ridge UCC Wants to get help from NCDOT about locating / raising manholes and valves on DOT projects. Contractors say that service is not in their contracts. Similar experience by PNG ended up costing them \$13,000. NCDOT says that shouldn't happen; next time call them and they'll set the contractor straight.
 - c. Foothills UCC is concerned about the Garden Parkway getting utilities located.
 - d. High Point UCC invites surrounding cities to their meetings. Utilities were relocated early on a project on Finch Farm Rd.
 - e. Forsythe-Stokes UCC reports good NCDOT representation. Efforts continue to get Winston-Salem to join One-Call since they are the biggest damagers. PNG is sending W-S bills for damages.
 - f. Mitchell – Yancey UCC not much happening, but they meet regularly and always have topics to discuss.
 - g. CGA meeting at Colonial Pipeline on 7/19/10 @ 10am.
 - h. NC811 Board Meeting at West Jefferson Landing, 9:00am,

Next NCUCC Meeting - Sept. 14, 2010 – PNG offices
110 Commerce Center Dr., Tarboro, NC

Adjourn at 11:55am

