

Locate Resolution Committee-Mecklenburg  
January 2018

Attendees:

Sam Gonzalez-Windstream  
Roger Richards-Sanders Utility  
Angela Pullom-Duke Energy  
Tom Kraft-PNG  
Shawn Baumgardner-Heath  
Ray Smith-Heath  
Chuck Milam-USIC  
Ken Abrahms-USIC  
Eric Smith-PRG  
Tami Stout-NC811

Meeting opened at 11:50.

Discussion about the white lining video and modifications. Talked with the group about meeting on 2/9 to discuss the final touches. Video is online for use. Shorter video will be added.

Group asked about logo development. Have we gotten anywhere with this?

We discussed potholing best practices for damage prevention. Shawn remarked that potholing was great done 15' away from the proposed excavation area but down 4' away, there was a higher propensity to damage underground facilities.

Duke Energy allows zero excavation until Positive Response has been completed and checked.

There are utility owners who are trying to do depth location by hooking up to another locate and guessing depth. Perhaps general email to utility owners?

Best practice for utility locating stakeholders. Everyone has to do his or her part and do it correctly.

Discussion about CGA Best Practices for directional boring/directional drilling?

Risk analysis-meet with senior leadership for utilities/contractors and discuss safety/white lining/boring best practices.

-What do you want your impact to be?-

Is there an opportunity to present at the State UCC Conference?

Can we locate utility rep names for Sam?

Shawn will work on a letter to utility reps about boring safety practices. Follow up in 2019. How did this benefit you? The changes/ideas from the Resolution Committee-what benefit did your company see.

\*\*Is there an average cost of damages? /This is what was saved by utilizing best practices-return on investment of time/money/personnel. ROI

Average amount paid for a death due to struck facility.

Accidents or worse is better language to use. Do not want to say "death"

Next meeting 2/28