

WAKE COUNTY LOCATE RESOLUTION PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

March 27, 2018

PSNC Energy

4211 Global Street

Raleigh, NC

Don Griesedieck, Chair
Sandra Johnson, Co-Chair
Donna Zuniga, Secretary

Don Griesedieck called the meeting to order at 12:50pm and began introductions of the group.

Approval of February minutes – 1st, Jodie Kiker ; 2nd, Guy Smith

Jimmy Petrie will compile updated ticket list and send to Don.

Louis Panzer has a “first attempt contact letter”, he will email to Sandra Johnson. It includes excavation and ticket request tips. He also has a “second attempt contact letter”, which encourages excavators to follow the law and makes them aware enforcement is available for violations. The group will need to review and discuss when/whom to send the letters to. The first letter would be from the WLRPC, signed by the Chair, and would invite the excavator to our monthly UCC meeting, offer education, tips, etc. The second letter would have utility company endorsement.

Jessey Newman inquired as to who violators will respond to and will there be a tracking mechanism? Louis suggested there be an electronic response or a PO Box could be set up. A database can be used for tracking and targeting particular violators or groups.

Jodie Kiker advised Charter will need to have their legal team review the letters before allowing Charter’s name to be used.

Louis advised the NC811 phone reps explain what constitutes an emergency ticket and the law, prior to taking an emergency ticket request. Violations of the law are considered a misdemeanor. He also suggested doing an emergency ticket video and will discuss the idea with Ann and Steve.

Jimmy Petrie discussed the importance of attending local UCC meetings; the meetings help build relationships and communication, which are crucial to damage prevention.

Jessey Newman expressed the need for an emergency contact list for utilities. There are times when the COR needs to make emergency repairs and other utilities need to move their facilities first.

Donna Zuniga will verify the correct emergency contact for these situations for Duke Energy.

Sandra Johnson advised the group that PSNC has people on call 24/7.

Our next meeting will be April 27, 2018, following the Wake UCC meeting.

Meeting adjourned 1:25pm

Minutes submitted by:

Donna Zuniga, Duke Energy