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Beaufort County UCC Meeting

February 8, 2018

Minutes

- The meeting was held at Fish Hooks Café in Belhaven and began at 12:00pm.
- City of Washington – Electric Dept. sponsored the meal.
- NC811 will be the meal sponsor at the next meeting.

Project Updates:

- **Tri-County Telco.**
 - Installing drops to homes to connect fiber to the home.
 - They are possible acquiring the cable provider that serves the Bath area.
- **Washington Electric**
 - Connecting a 3 phase electric feed coming into town.
 - Reconductoring some underground cable in existing areas.
- **Tideland Electric**
 - Tying in a new line and substation in Grantsboro.
- **DOT**
 - Jordan Evans and Gene Pittman gave a presentation on NCDOT Encroachments and the process along with issues they were seeing in the field. (see attachment)

NCDOT Encroachment Overview

- Any work done on the NCDOT Right-of-Way requires an encroachment. Both types of encroachments require notifications.
 - Blanket (Ex. 16.3, 16.4)
 - Service taps less than 500' longitudinally, emergency repairs,.
 - Directional bores are not included. Dry bores are included in most blankets. Bores greater than 6" are not allowed.
 - Construction is not allowed inside any full control of access road (US 17).
 - Blankets require simple notification
 - Submittal letter, sketch showing scope of work.
 - Regular Encroachment (Ex. 16.1, 16.2)
 - New infrastructure, main extensions, greater than 500' including bores.
 - Detailed drawing, all applicable paperwork.
- The Installation
 - Notify
 - **NC 811**
 - D2D1notifications@ncdot.gov
 - **(Division 2 District 1) Pitt & Beaufort Counties**
 - Installation
 - Safety First! (Ex. Signs, cones, vests...)
 - Call NC 811 to ensure no utilities are in the way prior to breaking ground.
 - Any crew working on the NCDOT ROW is required to have the encroachment agreement paperwork on site at all times.
 - Blanket or Regular encroachment
 - ANY deviation from any approved encroachment should be immediately expressed to the District Engineers Office (252) 623-5300.
 - Dry bore should be a MINIMUM of 3' below any pavement.
 - Directional drill should be a MINIMUM of 10' below any pavement. 15' below any control of access road. Only allowed a 2" overbore. Also, bentonite or any other approved slurry must be placed around the conduit.
 - MINIMUM of 3' beneath the shoulder and ditches.
 - Do not invade a 1:1 slope from the edge of the pavement.
 - All installations shall either be parallel or perpendicular to the roadway. No underground diagonals will be allowed.
 - Cutting pavement to locate utilities will not be allowed.
 - Any open cut for installation for utilities must be given prior approval first.

- Cases of Non-Compliance
 - NCDOT, as party of the first part on the encroachment, reserves the right to stop work being done on the NCDOT ROW.
 - Reasons to be stopped.
 - Incorrect traffic control and other safety concerns.
 - Incorrect installation methods (bores, diagonal installations, “silly string”)
 - Any deviations from approved encroachment agreement
- There is a new edition of the State Utilities Manual
 - Should be out later this year.

Office numbers have changed!

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