Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting PSNC Energy-South Raleigh Office Located at 4211 Global Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27610

May 29, 2018



# Meeting Time:

The Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting was called to order by Guy Smith with Precision Networks Incorporated filling in for Mazetta Wynn on May 29, 2018.

### **Total Members Present**

There was a total of **43** members present at the March Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting according to the sign in sheet. **Members have been asked to please sign in so an accurate count of attendees for each meeting can be documented.** 

# Welcome of Members and Guest:

Guy Smith with Precision Networks Incorporated welcomed everyone to the **5th** UCC meeting of the year. Housekeeping rules given out for newcomers. Bathrooms are located out the double doors and straight down the hallway to the left. In case of a fire emergency, everyone should exit out through the double doors turn right into the hall way exiting out the door and walk towards the street and wait at the PSNC Energy Logo sign at the front of the entrance.

**Blessing of the Food:** Given by Ann Rushing with NC811 before breaking for lunch.

# Introduction of the Members and Guest:

Guy Smith with Precision Networks Incorporated welcomed everyone to today's meeting again and a formal introduction of the guests and members from left to right announcing their name along with the company they are affiliated with.

# Safety Moments:

Guy Smith advised that he took some time off this past weekend to enjoy the weather and was out and about. I realize that we are all very aware of driving and the safety of driving, but also would like to reach out to your family, friends, and love ones and help them as well. Three times in one afternoon I noticed people didn't stop at stop signs in which that seems to be a very serious issue. We are very aware of driving safe, but reach out to friends and family and share with them the privilege of driving on two wheels. Riding around Wake County including Wake Forest, Guy said he had several people to pull out in front of him.

Also, that thick white line is the stop bar. Please share with others that you must stop behind it and come to a complete stop.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

### First Approval: Justus Everett with ABE Utilities, Incorporated

### 2nd the Motion: Sandra Johnson with PSNC Energy

#### **Old Business:**

Ann Rushing with NC811 talk about the events that happened at the NC/SC Joint Utility Coordinating Committee Conference at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort. The conference was a very huge success. One of our largest conferences ever. Sandra Johnson with PSNC Energy informed Ann that we were around 320 folks in attendance. Fred participated in the locator training. Fred indicated the quality was very good and overall it was a very good experience. We had a lot of great speakers. We had one guy who talk about active shooters. We had Brian Kelly who spoke about first responders and how we all work together. We had a lot of great presentations and we have provided those on the website so if you are not familiar with the website that we have for all of the Utility Coordinating Committee it is www.ncucc.org and on that on the very front home page there is a link so if you click on that link on that conference that it will take you there and it will provide you all the presentations that was there. So if you need power points they are there as well as the presenters so all of that information is there and I believe Steve provided some photos of the event. I think everyone like Cherokee and I am sure that there will be conversations on down the road if that will be a potential location to go back to again. Great day of golfing and I believe that everyone enjoyed that as well. Everyone enjoyed the karaoke and our very own Mazetta Wynn with PSNC Energy was a star karaoke, although she's not here with us today. Next year we will have South Carolina to host and we will be back at Myrtle Beach on the North end so please keep a look out on that.

Sandra Johnson with PSNC Energy stated we had 39 vendors and unfortunately we had to turn some folks away and NC811 pulled the registration off the website because people were interested in coming, but they waited until the last minute and due to fire codes we just didn't have room for anymore attendees. So going forward in the future just try to keep that in mind. Ann stated that without the vendors there then there would have been no way that we would have had a cheap conference. We thank them for supporting us in this whole event. It was very well attended and very well put on. I do appreciate all the hard work that everyone did.

# New Business:

Lee Mai with the City of Raleigh had a special request to the members. There are two scenarios that the City of Raleigh have gotten involved with. Lee does all the permitting in the Right of Way. This would involve sewer and water. We permitted for a small cell tower. Contractor came in and said there was a white 2" conduit and had called in an emergency located and no body responded. It was the only location in the area that they could put their small cell tower at. We couldn't move it. They actually went in and drilled that 2" conduit with a small drill head and pop in a camera. These are situations that we are finding more and more unmarked lines and no body never responded to the ticket. Lee advised that he got every person that he knew to come out and look at the line and they said no it's not mind.

Another situation was at Harrington and Morgan Street. The only permit was for Spirit and another company. We had cleared both of these and located their lines and their lines were nowhere near us. Another situation in which we have no idea who's line it is. If we have another situation like that and call in critical for folks to come out and notify them of the line we are willing to work with the individuals. If we don't know who it is and we have to restore our water and sewer services to the business are we in the right to cut that line? We don't want to get a \$100,000 bill.

Ann Rushing with NC811 advise Lee if he could provide a ticket number then she will research it and see who have lines in that area.

A member stated at the intersection of Highway 40 and Aviation Parkway the DOT have a crew out there rerouting the off ramps and utilities out there.

# NC811 Presentation:

- Kevin Smith is the new Education Liaison for the Piedmont Triad Region. Kevin Smith presented the NC811 report for the month of May 2018.
- The NC811 Center received locate request totaling **175,205** in April 2018. The total locate request in April **2017** was **156,103**. This was a difference of 12.2%. Transmission Locate request was **889,980** in April 2017. Current Locate request in Transmission was **997,408** in 2018. This was a difference of 12.1%.
- There was a total ticket volume of **23,715** for Wake County in April 2018. The average locate per day was **1,129**.
- **County Ticket Distribution** was a total of **23,715**. The **Raleigh** area have the highest number showing a total of **10,280**.

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# 2018 NC811 Board Meetings

2Q18 on July 20, 2018 in Lake Lure, North Carolina

3Q18 on October 19, 2018 in New Bern, North Carolina

For booking information, contact Tonya Hargraves: tonya@nc811.org

NC Underground Damage Prevention Review Board Meetings located at 2550 Operations Way, Raleigh, North Carolina. Located on the corner of Operations Way and Westinghouse Blvd.

- July 17, 2018 from 10 am to 4 pm
- October 16, 2018 from 10 am to 4 pm

#### State NCUCC Meetings

July 10, 2018 at 10 am to noon in Hickory, North Carolina at Piedmont Natural Gas

September 11, 2018 at 10 am to noon in Concord, North Carolina at PSNC Energy

#### Next UCC Meeting:

The next Wake County Utility Coordinating meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 11:00 am at PSNC Energy-South Raleigh Office located at 4211 Global Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Lunch will be provided by Ann Rushing and Kevin Smith with NC811. Thank you NC811 for providing lunch for us during this meeting.

The following companies have volunteered to bring lunch for us during our future meetings:

- July 2018- PSNC Energy
- August 2018- The Town of Cary
- September 2018 Tom Miller with ITS
- October 2018 Justus Everett with ABE Utilities

\*\*A Special Thank You to All the Companies/Members who volunteer to help to provide lunch for the Wake County Utility Coordinating Committee throughout the year\*\*

\*\*Another Special Thank You to All the Members for your time and support throughout the year as well\*\*

Bonding Together is what makes our County a Great Success!!!

**Meeting Adjourned:** The Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting adjourned.

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