

Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting

Dominion Energy-South Raleigh Office

Located at 4211 Global Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27610

May 28, 2019



Meeting Time:

The Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting was called to order by Guy Smith with GEL Solutions on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 11:04 am. Thank you for attending the Wake County Utility Coordinating Committee Meeting. We want to develop relationships and education about underground damage preventions and more importantly employee safety so that we all go home no worse than when we came in this morning. We want everyone to return home safely.

Total Members Present:

There was a total of **48** members that signed the roster. **Members have been asked to please sign in so an accurate count of attendees for each meeting can be documented.**

Prayer: Given by Ann Rushing with NC811

Break for Lunch at 11:06 am

Welcome of Members and Guest:

Guy Smith with GEL Solutions 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.

Safety Moment:

Guy Smith with GEL Solutions presented the safety moment. The weather is warming up. Those who drive motorcycles ask that you stop at the stop sign completely at that thick white line or stripe. That's called the stop bar directly behind that. Please come to a complete stop and don't pull out in front of us. Do not text and drive as that's hazardous to our health as well. Dominion Energy does the five-point safety check point so that's very helpful when out in the field.

A member advise children will be getting out of school so watch out for that and a lot of construction going on so be mindful.

David Swygart with ITS advised that last night tornados hit Ohio. His family is okay. People did get hurt. Something that he learned out of it is that if there's parents or people who don't have computers at home or just sitting at home and the power goes out then its best to get one of those \$20.00 emergency radio as both of his parents could have use it last night. His Mom didn't realize that there was a tornado in town until he called her.

Also, companies that have a crew that work out in the sun be mindful of heat stress or heat stroke.

Approval of Minutes:

First Approval: **Members Approve (Minor Changes made to prior minutes)**

2nd the Motion: **Members Approve (Minor Changes made to prior minutes)**

Old Business:

Sandra Johnson with Dominion Energy spoke about the upcoming contractor breakfast which will be held on October 22, 2019 at 4200 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC at 7:00 am. We still need additional sponsors to support the contractor breakfast.

Sponsors Listed below (As of 5/28/2019)

City of Raleigh

Duke Energy

Dixie Pipeline

Dominion Energy

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GMAC

ITS

Lambert's Cable

NC811
Southeastern Connections
Town of Wake Forest
USIC

New Business:

Robert Memory with Major Consulting advise they will be making a huge push throughout the state meeting with utility companies on behalf of NC DOT. The NC DOT is looking at two things. They want to be able to look at a designed project at a very early stages and see who's out there and we are not talking about an overview, but the DOT corridor. That's utilizing the North Carolina DOT widening. They want to understand how to design a project and look at a project. What do we need to avoid? The only way to do that is to drop the suppository system that could capture a lot of this data. Now it comes to another level to where there's another study taking that information and looking at areas that need to have infrastructure upgrade dealing with utilities that will help to promote an economic development. Basically, we are going to be visiting and asking some utilities companies who have already agreed yet to provide you with our information. We will provide you our GIS map.

Now the larger companies would not take this approach and unfortunately the bigger the company the harder it is going to be to obtain that information. Keep in mind that you are part of the utility driveway. They are not wanting to know who you are servicing. They just want to know what's out there. They want to avoid moving your facilities and costing NC DOT or rate payers which is costing all of us. NC DOT want to get a better understanding of how to avoid moving utilities and they need that information in the early stages of the project. When they are looking at corridors they need that information, so you will be seeing a lot of Major Consulting and some of you in this room we will actual be meeting with us to figure out how can we work together with the NC DOT. This information will not be share with the public. This is an internal system to utilize the utility coordination unit when they are looking at encroachment agreement that could jeopardize other utilities. They could go to this information and see who's out there. In some location they might request that we need more information. We will be utilizing all this this information to protect you and to protect your facilities.

Lee Mai with the City of Raleigh spoke about the new permit process that the City of Raleigh will be rolling out starting July 1, 2019. This meeting will be here at the Dominion Energy-South Raleigh Office on June 12, 2019 at 9:00-10:00 am. Those who enter permits it would be imperative that you be present at this meeting. It will be very basic and will be able to show you what it will look like. The background and navigation will be a little different. There will be an online form and you will have to create an account and log into your account every time that you submit a permit. That will be the big difference. Also, we will require that any excavator that is working in the city limits start providing us a \$5,000 bond and COI. That's actual in our

code. We haven't really been enforcing that. This will help protect the city liability if anything should happen due to the situation in Durham.

We will have more inspectors out in the field to make sure everything is being handled like the way it should be. The citation process will change as well. Right now, it is currently \$100, \$200, and \$300 and so forth. If it gets approved by the City Council, it will be three strikes. The first one \$500, second one is \$1000, and third one is \$1500. At three strikes then you will be out and won't be allowed to work for a year in Raleigh. This information will be public knowledge.

NC811 Presentation:

- Ann Rushing with NC811 presented the NC811 report for the month of May 2019.
- The NC811 Center statistics show that we received locate request totaling 202,893 in 2019 compared to 175,205 in 2018. That's a difference of 15.8%. Year to date tickets show 755,120 in 2019 and 644,073 in 2018. That's a difference of 17.2%.
- Transmissions locate ticket request show 1,087,162 in 2019 compared to 961,306 in 2018. Year to date tickets show 4,091,671 in 2019 compared to 3,525,463 in 2018. That's a difference of 16.1%.
- There was a total ticket volume of **25,776** for Wake County in March 2019. The average locate per day was **1227**.

Meetings

Board Meeting @ 2Q19 on July 19, 2019 at NC811 Event Center, Greensboro, NC

Board Meeting @ 3Q19 on October 18, 2019 at Shell Island Resort, Wrightsville Beach, NC

For Booking Information, contact Tonya Hargraves at: tonya@nc811.org

NC Underground Damage Prevention Review Board on July 16, 2019 from 10 am to 4 pm at 2550 Operation Way, Raleigh, North Carolina.

NC Underground Damage Prevention Review Board on October 15, 2019 from 10 am to 4 pm at 2550 Operation Way, Raleigh, North Carolina.

<https://www.nc811.org/report-a-violation.html>



Mission:

A collaboration of damage prevention stakeholders,
partnering to reduce damages through data analysis
and educational outreach.

Meet Every two months on the Third Wednesday

At NC 811, 5009 High Point Road, Greensboro, NC

Wednesday, June 19, 11:00 am-1:00 pm

Wednesday, August 21, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Next UCC Meeting:

The next Wake County Utility Coordinating meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 11:00 am at **Dominion Energy- South Raleigh Office** located at 4211 Global Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Lunch will be provided by Scott Chaisson with Southeast Connections. Thank you for providing lunch for us during this meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: The Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting adjourned on May 28, 2019 at 12:06 pm.

Minutes Prepared by Tiffany Elie with Dominion Energy

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