

Buncombe UCC

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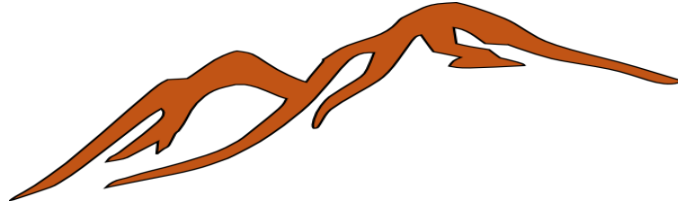
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North Carolina Buncombe Utilities Coordination Committee



Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/21/2021

Place: Happy Hill Restaurant

Address: 1400 Patton Ave

Town: Asheville, NC

Called to Order & Welcomed to Guest

- Brian Morehouse called the meeting to order @ 11:41 AM
- Brian Morehouse went over housekeeping and emergency evacuation.

Introductions

- Brian Morehouse started introductions, and then went around the room.
- Safety Share presented by: Brian Morehouse
- Topic – Halloween Safety Tips for 2021

Old Business

- Any Changes to last month's minutes? The September 16th, 2021, UCC meeting was not attended by NC811 Western Region Liaison due to a death in the family. There was (6) people that attended and the numbers for August was presented and discussed at that time.

Officer Reports

Chair-CHAIRWOMAN JENNY STAMEY- She has been with AT&T for 20 plus years and was given a gift card and she decided to treat the group for lunch today. A big THANK YOU to her for doing that for the UCC

Co-Chair/Secretary- Please see attendance sheet attached.

New Business

- **NC 811 / One Call** presentation was given by:

A total of 16 members attending today's meeting.

Below are highlights of the NC 811 Presentation for October 2021:

1. A complete listing of all stats for the previous month of September 2021 are included in the PDF presentation file attached to the email used to send these minutes out. Listed below is a highlight of tickets / transmissions:

SEPTEMBER 2020 vs 2021

TICKETS 2021: September

2021: 203,579

2020: 193,200

Difference: 5.4%

TICKETS 2021 YTD

2021: 1,782,117

2020: 1,639,229

Difference: 8.7%

TRANSMISSIONS September

2021: 1,131,192

2020: 1,084,790

Difference: 4.3%

TRANSMISSIONS YTD

2021: 9,952,251

2020: 9,347,853

Difference: 6.5%

2. The Underground Review Board website is available at www.udprb.nc.gov Go to this website to get further information.

3. Upcoming Meeting Dates (Refer to the attached presentation for further details):

- Third Quarter Board Meeting will be held on Friday October 22 in a Virtual Meeting by TEAMS..

- The NC Underground Damage Prevention Review Board: Met on Tuesday, October 19th at 10:00 AM. TEAMS meeting.

NCLRP meeting was held on Thursday, October 21st, 2021 @ 1pm to discuss issues with update tickets and problems within the NC area with tickets.

4. When calling in for a locate to be done make sure that you include the following information:

- Correct Address of locate request.
- Correct Contact Telephone Number
- Contact person's Name.
- Area to be located marked with "White Lines."

5. NC 811 will continue to have Virtual UCC Meetings: within some areas

.6. SPECIAL REMINDERS:

- Damage Reporting: Remember that if you damage an underground utility, it is your responsibility to report this damage to NC 811 Offices in Greensboro.

- Remember! If you hit an underground objective, and you think it is a Gas Line, do the following in this order:

- o Call 911 to report the accident!

- o Call the Gas Company and let them know the specifics concerning the damage!

- o Call 811 to report the accident to our office!

- Damage Reporting: It is YOUR responsibility to report ALL damages to underground utilities. The reports must be reported to the NC 811 offices in Greensboro.

- Shown below is the website where you can go to communicate Damage Violations: <https://www.nc811.org/report-a-violation.html>.

Round-table Discussions:

David Perkins – Brentwood Water: Business as usual. We have been able to catch

Reports

- 1) **NC 811 / One Call** – Brian provided us with the monthly 811 update. Also Brian talked to us about 811 having 811 come to your office and do an 811 Safety Presentation. Spoke about some of different situations with tickets that have been brought to his knowledge over the last two months Went over emergency Tickets with the group. Spoke with them about the new laws that were with Bill 872, October 2019. Discussed a tickets for a Single Address, the e law and what it states.
- 2) **N.C.D.O.T** – Bridge work continues throughout the area; it was reported that NCDOT is having meetings on cost saving for upcoming projects.
Patton Ave project has moved along well with little issues. Big “THANK YOU” to Asheville water.
4700 job- is being reworked by the designers
Windy Rd- Design changes have been made
Louisiana Dr- Upgrade pedestrian crossings
- 3) **Dominion Energy** – NO major damages to report in the area. B&G Project continues on the upper end with the tie ends being completed at this time. Locates are coming in and staying on top of all work within the area
- 4) **USIC** – NA.
- 5) **AnSCO**- NA
- 6) **City of Asheville Water-** 60 to 100 areas being potholed.
Pine Tree Rd/Swannanoa 800’ of water line being installed at this time.
Brevard Rd- that work has almost be completed, Clean up next week.
- 7) **Spectrum-** Will be starting 2,900 miles of new fiber to be installed in the western region of NC. Majority of this work will be outside of the Asheville area. Staying very busy with new work and maintenance. Work taken place around the area.
- 8) **AT&T-** Reported that upper management has reviewed issues within the western region of NC and pole damages are up by 10 times over other areas of NC. This is due to terrain
- 9) **Southern Cross-** Steel Creek work going very well and staying on top of things. Having some issues with GP & Associates that is doing work for Comporium, having to call them a number of times on tickets called in to clarify what is needed to be marked.

THERE WILL BE NO UCC MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER DUE TO THE HOLIDAYS. WHEN WE COME BACK IN JANUARY, WE WILL HAVE AN ELECTION FOR OFFICIERS FOR THE 2022 UCC YEAR.

Next Meeting – January 20th 2022, @ 11:30am -Happy Hills Restaurant, 1400 Patton Ave, Asheville, NC

Meeting adjourned at 12:56 pm

Minutes submitted by: **Brian Morehouse- NC 811 Education Liaison**