

Minutes –Burke / Caldwell Counties - NC 811 Meeting

October 12, 2021

Members Present:

Brian Morehouse – NC811 UCC
Ralph Johnson – Brentwood Water
Robert Turner – Brentwood Water
David Perkins – Brentwood Water

Roger Lowery – Brentwood Water
Bruce Byrd – Brentwood Water
Jim Buckner – REMC
Richard Lawrence = PNG

The October 2021 Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 12:00 noon at the Timberwood Restaurant in Morganton, NC. The meeting was called to order by Ralph Johnson, Chairperson. Robert Turner offered a prayer of blessings on the meeting and meal.

A total of **8** 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:

August 2020 vs 2021

TICKETS 2021:

2021: 203,579
2020: 193,200
Difference: 5.4%

TRANSMISSIONS

2021: 1,131,192
2020: 1,084,790
Difference: 4.3%

Year-to-date

TICKETS 2021 YTD

2021: 1,782,117
2020: 1,639,229
Difference: 8.7%

TRANSMISSION

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 Wilmington NC.
- The NC Underground Damage Prevention Review Board: Will meet on Tuesday, October 19th at 10:00 AM. This is a **Hybrid** meeting.

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:**

Below are the instructions to attend the **virtual** meetings:

- Follow these video instructions to find your virtual meeting link and how to make the join the meeting in the new MICROSOFT TEAMS platform.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GC5zGkdxqb0>.
- In the chat section please type your name, company name & email.
- Participant feature – raise hand. The meeting facilitator will acknowledge you.
- Enter the meeting with your microphone on mute and unmute your mic when you need to speak.
- Every meeting will be recorded, and the video will be posted on the ncucc.org website. You can watch the meeting by using the video link provided on ncucc.org.

6. **SPECIAL REMINDERS:**

- **Damage Reporting:** Remember that if you damage an underground utility, it is **your responsibility to report this damage to NC 811 UCC. Offices in Greensboro.**
- Below is the website where you can go to communicate "Damage Violations".
<https://www.nc811.org/report-a-violation.html>
- **Remember!** If you hit an underground objective, and you think it is a Gas Line, do the following in this order:
 - **Call 911 to report the accident!**
 - **Call the Gas Company and let them know the specifics concerning the damage!**
 - **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 811UCC 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 up on all leaks and currently up to date on tap installations.

In the process of tying in thirty service lines to the newly completed Denton Chapel Road upgrade project. This newly installed line is one mile long.

We are getting ready to start another project of replacement water line upgrade on the David Bryant Road. This is 1,000 feet in length; serving around fifteen customers.

Jim Buckner & Rodney Roland – REMC: Transmission line upgrade has been completed. Currently involved in a massive “Pole” change out project. We will be removing and installing approximately 300 poles. This is Burke and McDowell County wide project.

Richard Lawrence - PNG: Currently installing a “**New regulation Station**” across the street from the NC School for the Deaf on Burkemont Avenue. This station has four different pressures. The inlet pressure is 600-pound and is zoned off to 60-pound zone; 100-pound zone; and 150-pound zone. These different pressures are sent out to various parts of the City of Morganton.

Just completed a 17-mile line replacement project from Lenoir down US Hwy 321 towards Hickory. A 250-pound 4-inch metal line was replaced with a 60-pound 8-inch plastic line.

The next meeting of Burke / Caldwell Counties NC811UCC meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 12:00 Noon at the Timberwood Restaurant in Morganton, NC. Hope to see you then!

Minutes submitted by: Robert Turner – Secretary, Brentwood Water Corp