# Minutes of Meeting of

# FLORIDA UTILITIES COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Held at Peninsular Telephone Co. Office, Tampa, Fla.

November 6, 1936

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

H. E. Brown, Tampa Electric Co., Tampa, Fla. J. K. Galloway, Winter Park Tel. Co., Winter Park, Fla.

W. F. Girtman, Florida Telephone Corp., Leesburg, Fla. Wilkins Linhart, Florida Railroad Commission, Tallahassee, Fla. C. b. McCartney, Florida Power Corporation, St. Petersburg, Florida Power Corporation, Power Corpor

E. M. Menendez, Southeastern Tel. Co., Tallahassee, Fla.

S. O. Newsome, Riverside Tel. Co., Blountstown, Fla. E. W. Parrish, Florida Public Service Co., Orlando, Fla.

R. W. Shriner, Peninsular Tel. Co., Tampa, Fla.

L. S. Terrell, Western Union Tel. Co., Atlanta, Ga.

G. E. Turner, Florida Public Service Co., Orlando, Fla. K. H. Williams, Intercounty Tel. Co., Fort Meyers, Fla.

### MEMBERS ABSENT

W. A. Coppege, Postal Telegraph Co., Atlanta, Ga.

E. L. Cox, Gulf Tel. Co., Perry, Fla.

J. H. Rouse, So. Bell Tel. & Tel. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.

H. V. Street, Florida Power & Light Co., Miami, Fla.

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by the Chairman, Mr. W. F. Girtman. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. All correspondence which the Secretary had received was read and filed. Since Mr. Rouse and Mr. Terrell were both absent, no report was available on the by-laws.

There was no member of the State Road Department present. In commenting on the importance of securing the cooperation of the State Road Department with this Committee, the Chairman brought on considerable general discussion in regard to various new highway work necessitating changes in telephone and power circuits. In most cases involving Federal funds, no provisions are made for this expense, claim being made that the utility did not notify the proper person of the expense involved in time to get this provided for. A suggestion was made that it may be necessary to get a law enacted requiring the Road Department to notify the utility in such cases and cooperate with same in all such changes. Mr. Linhart was appointed a committee of one to contact the State Road Department to see if they would send a member to this committee and cooperate instead of the above.

Mr. Terrell, whose train was late, came into the meeting at this time and reported with a copy of the by-laws of the South Carolina Utilities Coordinating Committee. This was gone over in the meeting and changed to suit our conditions. The revised by-laws, a copy of which is attached, were regularly approved.

Mr. Shriner was elected Vice Chairman.

Mr. Turner gave a short talk on the value of cooperation among the Utilities. Mr. Brorein came into the meeting at this time to give a short talk on the valuable work which could be done by a committee of this kind.

The next meeting is to be held the first Friday in February at the Floridan Hotel in Tallahassee.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

C. B. McCartney Secretary BY-LAWS

OF THE

### FLORIDA UTILITIES COORDINATING COMMITTEE

# Representing the

Tampa Electric Company, Winter Park Telephone Company, Florida Telephone Corporation, Florida Power Corporation, Southeastern Telephone Company, Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company, Peninsular Telephone Company, Florida Power & Light Company, Western Union Telegraph Company, Florida Public Service Company, Intercounty Telephone Company, Postal Telegraph Company, Gulf Telephone Company, Riverside Telephone Company, and Florida Railroad Commission.

### Section No. 1

### Name

The name of this committee shall be the Florida Utilities Coordinating Committee, hereinafter referred to as the Committee.

### Section No. 2

### Purpose

The purpose of the Committee shall be to act for the Utility Groups of Florida in bringing about the coordination of power and signal lines and other associated properties of the numerous wire using organizations in Florida, and to thereby secure the maximum advantages in location and construction features with the minimum amount of interference with neighboring properties. It is the intent of the Committee to achieve this purpose through frank and impartial consideration of all cases referred to it, with full recognition of the respective rights and obligations of the Utilities concerned. It is the further intent of the Committee to keep its members informed of all proposed work in the territory of other members and to provide a source of engineering information upon which to base such decisions as it may be called upon to give.

# Section No. 3

### Membership

- The membership of the Committee shall consist of duly accredited representatives of the wire using organizations in Florida and other organizations at the discretion of the Committee.
- 2. The appointment to membership of a representative or alternate, and the term of membership shall be controlled by the organization represented.
- 2. A member or alternate shall be authorized to act within teasonable limits for the organization that he represents.

# Section No. 4

### Officers

The Committee shall elect from its membership a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, and a Secretary. The term of office of each shall be one year. Vacancies may be filled by election at a regular meeting of the Committee.

The offices of Chairman and Secretary shall be so distributed that when the power groups are represented in one office, the communication groups shall be represented in the other office. Neither group shall be represented in either office of Chairman or Secretary for a longer period than one year. The Vice Chairman shall be from the same group as the Chairman.

# Section No. 5

### Sub-Committee

The committee may appoint such sub-committees as it may deem necessary to handle the work. The personnel of such sub-committees need not be confined to the membership of the Committee.

### Section No. 6

# Meetings

- 1. The regular meeting of the Committee shall be held on the last Friday of November, February, May and August. If this day be a legal holiday, or if the Committee desires, the Chairman shall select a substitute date agreeable to the Committee. The hour and place of all meetings shall be designated by the Chairman.
  - 2. The Chairman, Secretary and one member may call a special meeting of the Committee, by notification to all members, at any time. Calls for special meetings shall be accompanied by a statement of the case or cases to be considered.

### Section No. 7

# Action by the Committee

- 1. A quorum shall consist of the representatives of five (5) member organizations.
  - 2. Each organization shall be entitled to a single vote.
- . 3. Final action by the Committee on recommendations and endments to these by-laws shall be taken by unanimous consent of the later alternates present.
- 4. Election of officers shall be by a majority vote of the members or their alternates present at the August meeting.

#### OF THE

# SOUTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COORDINATING COMMITTEE

## Representing the

Carolina Power & Light Company, the Duke Power Company, The League of Municipalities, The South Carolina Independent Telephone Association, The Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, The Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company, The Western Union Telegraph Company, South Carolina Power Company, Broad River Power Company, State Rural Electrification Authority of South Carolina, and South Carolina Continental Telephone Association.

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