

MINUTES
FLORIDA UTILITIES COORDINATING COMMITTEE
MEETING OF MAY 14, 1948
OSCEOLA HOTEL, DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

The meeting was called to order at about 10 A. M., Friday, May 14, 1948, Vice-Chairman B. A. Galloway presiding in the absence of Chairman E. M. Menendez.

The following were in attendance:

James R. Brice	Tampa Electric Co.	Tampa
J. H. Brooks	Florida Power & Light Co.	Daytona
A. M. Brown, Jr.	Florida Tel. Corp.	Ocala
B. N. Darlington	Peninsular Tel. Co.	Tampa
R. S. Davis	Florida Power & Light Co.	Sarasota
B. A. Galloway	Winter Park Tel. Co.	Winter Park
C. U. Jellison	Florida East Coast Railway	St. Augustine
Paul C. Ley	Florida Tel. Corp.	Ocala
Wilkins Linhart	Florida Tel. Corp.	Ocala
V. R. Parrack	Florida Power Corp.	St. Petersburg
T. J. Rudd	So. Bell Tel & Tel Co., Inc.	Daytona
J. G. Sparkman	Sumter Electric Coop.	Sumterville
J. G. Spencer, Jr.	Florida Power & Light Co.	Daytona
Ivon Tilyou	Peace River Valley Elec. Memb. Coop	Wauchula
Stanley Warth	So. Bell Tel & Tel Co. Inc.	Jacksonville
B. E. Wilkerson	SAL Railroad Co.	Norfolk, Va.
Sam Williams	Florida Power & Light Co.	Daytona
L. G. Zelenka	American Tel & Tel Co.	Jacksonville

The minutes of the previous meeting of February 6, 1948 in Tampa were read and approved.

A radio message from Ray L. Atkinson, expressing his regrets in being unable to attend was read. It was pointed out that Chairman Menendez was unable to attend the meeting because of certain telephone conversion work going on in Tallahassee. It was pointed out that Ken Williams was unable to attend because of certain pressing telephone work at Wauchula.

Mr. Parrack gave a brief description of the activities which have taken place since the last meeting in connection with the bill concerning frequency allocation, referred to as JR-78. This resolution which was in the hopper of a House Committee and intended to assign certain frequencies previously designated for mobile radio to frequency modulated broadcasting was turned down by the

House Committee.

Mr. Parrack referred to the origin of a stipulation of $14\frac{1}{2}$ feet for clearance of traffic signs over the highway as made by the American Association of State Highway Officials and inquired if anyone in this group was familiar with this Association and how it tied in with the Code which otherwise establishes clearances of this type. No one present was familiar with the status of the American Association of State Highway Officials and it was suggested that this might also be the source of the requirement of 20 feet for clearance of services over highways reported to be advocated by the State Road Department. The Chairman suggested that Mr. Parrack attempt to get more information on the status of the American Association of State Highway Officials.

The question of requirements established for moving houses along streets was next discussed. It was pointed out that in some cases the State Patrol requires the applicant to have the telephone company sign permits before allowing house moving to be undertaken. In another case, the city requires 48 hours' notice to be given to the Power Company during which time the Power Company makes an estimate of the cost and requires the customer to pay accordingly. This practice is evidently not uniform throughout the State.

Notices of intent to construct received since the last meeting, were next read by the Secretary. Several questions were asked and answered concerning specific projects. Mr. Warth suggested that Mr. Parrack go over transmission line plans of his company again as outlined at the Tampa meeting. Accordingly, Mr. Parrack re-read the letter dated January 28, 1948 addressed to Southern Bell Tel. & Tel. Co., to the attention of Mr. Warth from Mr. Grimm. Mr. Warth asked if anyone else had major construction to report similar to the letter just read. Mr. Wilkerson reported that his company was about to build a 4600 V line from Coleman to the north end of Palm Beach Canal.

Mr. Wilkerson, referring to a previous discussion of his concerning certain cable which his company was burying directly in the earth, reported that they had

discovered that salamanders were chewing off Flamenol and PolyEthyl insulation. Some discussion on this subject followed in which it was pointed out that certain things can be mixed in with the insulation which will discourage the attack of salamanders, et cetera.

Mr. Galloway described a type of cleansing cream which a lineman could spread on his hands and remove with tissue, thus cleansing his hands of creosote, grease, et cetera. He pointed out that this was of considerable assistance in helping prevent the disfiguring of newly painted walls and fixtures by the lineman installing telephone after he had just completed work on a pole or handling material which would soil his hands. Considerable interest was shown in this and Mr. Galloway subsequently reported that "The waterless cleaner that was spoken of at our last meeting, namely "Macks" (waterless hand cleaner), can be obtained by addressing Mr. H. McCluskey, Star Rt. 1, Deland, Florida. It might be possible to obtain a sample for those who are interested by addressing a letter and requesting same from Mr. McCluskey."

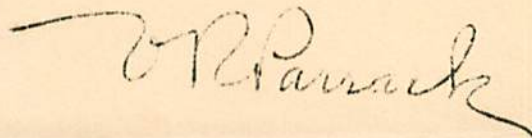
Mr. Darlington reported the case of close cooperation between the telephone companies and the Tampa Electric Company in which broadcasters were complaining of noise on radio program circuits at Tampa. Mr. Warth pointed out that the Tampa Electric Company accepted the telephone companies contention as to the source of interference and agreed to a temporary capacitor installation which has been very effective. Mr. Darlington regarded this as an excellent example of cooperation in clearing up difficulties.

A series of colored slides were shown by Mr. L. G. Zelenka of the American Tel. and Tel. Company of Jacksonville, depicting various stages in the construction of the coaxial cable from Jacksonville to Orlando. This was accompanied by discussion which demonstrated a lively interest in the subject.

The question of the next meeting place was next discussed. Mr. Parrack renewed his invitation to the group to meet in St. Petersburg. Mr. Warth extended

an invitation to Jacksonville, Florida, which was accepted and the present plan is to meet there on Friday, August 13, 1948.

The meeting adjourned at about 1 P. M., after which the Committee was the guest of the Florida Power & Light Company at a steak luncheon in the Osceola Hotel.



V. R. Parrack
Secretary
Florida Utilities Coordinating
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