

MINUTES OF MEETING
FLORIDA UTILITIES COORDINATING COMMITTEE
CHEROKEE HOTEL
Tallahassee, Florida
August 10, 1956

The regular quarterly meeting of the Florida Utilities Coordinating Committee was called to order at 10:00 AM by Chairman Mr. "Bob" Mayhew.

Chairman Mayhew welcomed the members of the Committee to Tallahassee.

An introduction of those present showed the following in attendance:

L. G. Zelenka	American Telephone & Telegraph Co.	Jacksonville, Fla.
G. M. Doyal	Gulf Power Company	Pensacola, Fla.
N. L. Athland	Atlantic Coastline Railroad	Savannah, Ga.
D. W. Beckwith	State Road Department	Tallahassee, Fla.
J. R. Henderson	Winter Park Telephone Co.	Winter Park, Fla.
Robert M. Temple	Retired	Tallahassee, Fla.
Charles Pulley	City of Tallahassee	Tallahassee, Fla.
Leon E. Weaver	Talquin Elec. Coop. Inc.	Quincy, Fla.
John R. Martin	Talquin Elec. Coop. Inc.	Quincy, Fla.
Wilkins Linhart	Florida R.R. & P.U. Comm.	Fruitland Park, Fla.
Ernest L. Cox, Jr.	Gulf Telephone Co.	Perry, Fla.
J. S. Beckett	Gulf Telephone Co.	Perry, Fla.
J. M. Rogers	Florida R.R. & P.U. Comm.	Marianna, Fla.
K. G. Gerhart	Southeastern Tel. Co.	Tallahassee, Fla.
M. N. Yancy	State Road Dept.	Tallahassee, Fla.
C. R. Mayhew	Southeastern Tel. Co.	Tallahassee, Fla.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Mr. Darlington reported on the progress of preparing utility maps. He was not able to give a finished report as promised at the May meeting, but he felt that the maps would be completed in the near future.

Mr. Darlington discussed the matter of coordinating microwave systems. He pointed out certain difficulties being experienced on short wave frequencies in the vicinity of Sarasota. He advised that Mr. Warth had furnished him a map of the Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company Public Correspondence Radio systems which include Mobile Radio, Marine Radio, etc., and a copy had been sent to the Secretary. A general discussion of this problem followed which also included the new high frequency electric ranges. The wild stories told by Mr. Darlington of the cooking by these "gimmicks" gave everyone a healthy appetite.

Mr. Beckwith expressed his thanks at seeing so many members at this meeting. He also stated that the State Road Department was ready to cooperate with the Committee in any way it could. He advised that the State Road Department was endeavoring to furnish all utilities involved in new projects the right-of-way maps as soon as possible. Mr. Beckwith was assured that it was the general opinion of the Committee as a whole that the cooperation between the various utilities and the State Road Department at present was very good.

Mr. Mayhew brought up the matter of the 18 foot clearance of overhead plant over roads. The question was raised as to a State Law requiring this clearance. In the discussion that followed it was brought out that the 18 foot rule of

the National Electric Safety Code was considered a standard; however, on all new construction over State Highways efforts were being made to provide a 20 foot clearance. It was also brought out that contractors were being billed for any work requiring the raising of wires that had a present clearance of 18 feet.

The election of officers for the coming year followed:

Mr. Sam Gray was unanimously nominated and elected Chairman.

Mr. Henderson nominated for Secretary by Mr. Darlington and seconded by Mr. Linhart. There were no further nominations and Mr. Henderson was duly elected.

Mr. Clemens was nominated for Vice-Chairman by Mr. Linhart and seconded by Mr. Zelenka. There were no further nominations and Mr. Clemens was elected.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 9, 1956, in Orlando. The Committee will be guest of the Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company.

Mr. Doyal extended an invitation to have the February meeting in Pensacola. This will be voted on at the November meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

A movie on modern highway construction furnished by the State Road Department and presented by Mr. Mayhew was enjoyed by all. Following this film, the appetites previously whetted were well satisfied at a most enjoyable luncheon in the Cherokee Hotel Dining Room.

Respectfully submitted:

L. G. Zelenka
Acting Secretary