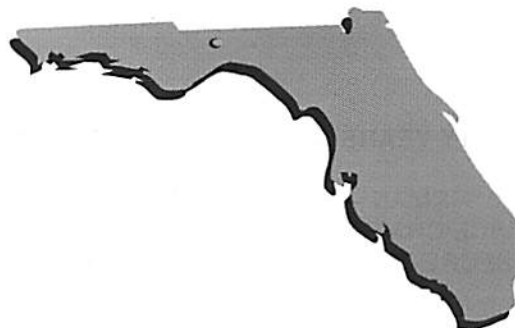


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FALL MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2005
Orlando, Florida

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Chairman Lawree Washington called the meeting to order at 8:10 A.M. He gave his opening remarks that were followed by Jerrold Whitt's Invocation and Tribute to the flag. Self-introductions followed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT-Kim Wiley

A motion was made by Brad Martin and second by John Pugh to wave the reading of the Secretary's Minutes. They were approved as written and will be posted on the web site.

TREASURER'S REPORT-Jan Ash

The attendance at this meeting included 35 prepaid registrations, 11 regular registrations and 4 who registered for the workshop only. The total was 50 attendees for the 3 day meeting.

Balance prior to November, 2004 Meeting	\$8,918.00
Income from November, 2004 Meeting	\$8,723.00
Balance	\$17,641.00
Expenses from November, 2004 Meeting	- \$7,648.00
Balance	\$9,993.00
February Meeting	
Pre-Registration (Acteva)	\$6000.00
Anticipated from on-site registration and other	\$6000.00

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Jan went over the new process of using Acteva to register for all future Fucc Meetings and workshops. **It will now be mandatory to go on line and register beginning with the May, 2005 meeting in Key Largo.** You don't necessarily need to pay on line, but the registration on line will help with head count. This will assist in negotiations with the various venues.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

FIFTY YEARS AGO – FEBRUARY, 1955

CHAIRMAN – H. L. Martin, Florida Keys Electric Co-op
VICE CHAIRMAN – R. S. Davis, Florida Power and Light Company
SECRETARY – C. R. Mayhew, Southern Telephone Company, Tallahassee, Fl.

NO MINUTES OF THIS MEETING

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: FEBRUARY 1, 1980, SEVILLE INN, PENSACOLA, FL.

ATTENDANCE: TELEPHONE 15, POWER 13, FDOT 8, GAS 3, COUNTIES 2, ONE CALL CENTER 2, CONSUALT 3, CITIES 1. A TOTAL OF 47.

CHAIRMAN – HORACE IRWIN, FLORIDA POWER CORP
VICE CHAIRMAN – TED CARLSON, FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT CO.
SECRETARY – C. E. HANLE, SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO.

Members who attended that meeting that are still active in the Fucc are Dennis LaBelle and Charles Andrews.

There were three 3 guest from the Georgia Utility Coordinating Committee.

Report from the Standing Committee – Dennis LaBelle, Chairman. A meeting was held the previous afternoon to discuss the question of the proposed study of County permit fees throughout the State. The results were that a subcommittee will be formed to work with the State Liaison Committee, if they are agreeable. The Fucc Subcommittee will gather information regarding the County and Municipality fees. This data can be gained through the County Utility Groups and District Groups. The Fucc Subcommittee will compile all the information and it will be made available to anyone who wants it.

Discussion from DOT stressed the significance of everyone taking part in the American Right-of-Way Association, due to the increasing use of Public Right-of-Way by Utilities and its resulting decreasing availability.

A letter was read from the DOT regarding the subject of "Utility Space Allocation" regarding a study done by the DOT on this subject. The question was raised of whether or not the Fucc should pursue this subject, discussion followed. There were many objections to the report; mostly aimed at the sampling all being taken from the same small area of the State. It was suggested that the Chairman of the group that made the study to speak to the Fucc. The issue was tabbed until more information was available.

The guest speaker was from Environmental Licensing Group, Inc. Pensacola, Fl. The firm is involved with "The systematic process of managing environmental regulatory compliance problems of business and government." The talk dealt mainly with licensing of power plants and transmission lines.

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SUNSHINE STATE ONE CALL CENTER

Cheryl Ritter gave the group the latest statistics for the month ending 12/31/2004.

Ticket volume is up 12.39% from December, 2003 to 1,004,378
Transmissions are up 30.74% from December, 2003 to 7,172,902
Phone Calls are up 2.93% from December, 2003 to 283,106
Speed to answer is slightly up from 25.16 seconds in 2003 to 28.62 seconds in 2004.
Late notices from the positive response system for December 2004 totaled 113,664.
Incoming ticket volume for December year-to-date was 50% phone, 39% ITE and 11% fax.
Total membership as of December, 2004 was 682 primary members and 216 associates.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT REPORTS

District One-Jerrold Whitt

District One's Annual Liaison Conference is scheduled for Thursday, March 31, 2005 at the Holiday Inn Airport and Marina in Sarasota. The address is 7150 N. Tamiami Trail. Registration begins at 7:45 am. The agenda is still under construction. The steering committee is seeking speakers from multiple utility disciplines. District One continues to hold local County group meetings on a monthly basis in 7 of the 12 counties in their District.

District Two-Jerrold Whitt for Vince Camp.

District Two continues to conduct 4 monthly utility liaison meetings. For dates, times and locations, go to the Central Office Utility website and look under District Two.

Also, District Two utility office will be conducting a workshop on the District's work program and utility work schedule preparation at selected locations this year. The date, time and locations are yet to be determined. Contact Vince Camp, District Two Utilities, for more information.

District Three-Robert Ellis

District 3 cancelled its district utility liaison meeting until further notice

District Four-Rocky DePrimo

The district continues its electronic mail-out of the status of all projects in the production and letting cycle. The utility industry should review the report and contact the District Utility Office with questions, issues, or concerns on any project.

District Five-Gary Bass

There is a new District Secretary in District Five. His name is George Gilhooley. The District is still accepting both the old and new utility work schedules. If new UWS is used, it must be signed by the Engineer of Record. The annual liaison meeting was postponed due to lack of interest. The District is sending out a questionnaire to the members to find out why folks didn't register.

District Six-No Report

District Seven-Sally Prescott

District Seven's Liaison Conference will be held on Friday, April 1st at Cove Cay in Clearwater.

D-7 Monthly Design and Construction Reports are posted each month on the FDOT Utilities Website under "District News".

Monthly Utility Group meeting schedules and locations are posted on the FDOT Utilities website. Please try to attend these meetings. They are a good forum for dissemination of information within our district.

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TURNPIKE ENTERPRISE DISTRICT

Lawrence R. Hayduk

MEDIAN GUARDRAIL: The Turnpike Enterprise is constructing new median guardrail in Lake, Osceola, Orange, Indian River, St. Lucie, Okeechobee, Sumter and Dade counties. Construction of each project will last approximately 6-12 months depending on the length of the project. The median guardrail projects will reduce cross over accidents on the north sections of the Turnpike. Construction on all sections will be complete in summer, 2005.

FPID 405270-1: The Turnpike is working on a PD&E Study for a new road corridor in Citrus County. The road will be an extension of the Suncoast Parkway. The Suncoast Parkway Phase II project will extend the Parkway from US98 in Brooksville to US19 (Approximately 27 miles). Ten possible corridors are being evaluated for impacts.

FPID 403497-2, 403497-3, 403498-2 and 403498-3: These projects will extend the Western Beltway (SR 429) from Seidel Road in Orange County to I-4 in Osceola County, a distance of approximately 11 miles. SR429 is a joint project with OCEA. These are major projects with significant utility activity. Construction is underway on all projects. Completion of all sections is slated for December 2006. Once completed, you will be able to travel on SR429 from I-4 in Osceola County to US441 in Apopka.

FPID 232074-1: This project is a new interchange with SR 710 and the Turnpike in Palm Beach County. The new interchange will relieve congestion at existing interchanges in north Palm Beach County. Construction is underway with completion scheduled for February 2006. Minor utility relocations are associated with this project. We are coordinating with District 4 on a railroad crossing upgrade as part of the project.

FPID 406150-1: This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 6 to 8 lanes in north Broward County. The project starts just south of Atlantic Boulevard and goes to the Palm Beach County line a distance of roughly 7 miles. Preliminary design is underway. Major utility impacts are expected including FGT gas line relocation. Letting is scheduled for March of 2007.

FPID 406148-1: This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 4 to 8 lanes from I-4 to SR 429 in Orange County. The project is roughly 8 miles in length. Thirty percent plans re complete and under review. Utility coordination has started. Letting is scheduled for March 2007.

FPID 406094-1 and 406097-1: These projects will widen the Turnpike from 6 to 8 and 10 lanes in Broward County. These projects are being developed under contracts that combine the PD&E and design effort. There will be extensive utility involvement on both projects. The projects are under going major re-designs to accommodate FGT gas line relocations the full length of the projects. The projects will be constructed in a sequence to allow FGT to relocate their lines. Both projects will take three years to construct. Approximately twelve miles of the Turnpike will be upgraded.

FPID 406092-1: This project is to widen the Turnpike mainline from Atlantic Avenue to the Lantana mainline toll plaza in Palm Beach County from 4 to 6 lanes and ultimately to 8 lanes. Construction has started and is scheduled for completion in 2006. A separate contract to make improvements at the Atlantic Avenue interchange is ongoing. Design to add a new toll plaza, ramps, and road improvements on Atlantic Avenue are complete and the project is out for bid. Construction on the interchange improvements will start this summer.

FPID 406095-1 and 406095-4: These two projects will widen the Turnpike mainline from six to eight lanes from the HEFT to Griffin Road in Broward County, a distance of approximately 6 miles. Thirty percent plans are complete and utility coordination underway. Plans production is scheduled for completion in early 2007. Extensive utility relocations will be required, including the FGT gas line relocation.

FPID 406090-1: This project is to widen the Beeline Expressway, SR 528, in Orange County from 4 to 6 lanes, a distance of approximately 8 miles, from I-4 to Boggy Creek Road. Phase III plans are complete and utility coordination is ongoing. Letting is scheduled for October, 2005.

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FPID 406091-1: This project is to widen the Turnpike Mainline in Orange County from 4 to 8 lanes from I-4 to SR528, a distance of approximately 6 miles. The project has been let and construction will start in summer, 2005. Construction will take approximately 2 years.

FPID 406112-1: This project will add a new interchange at Jog Road and the Turnpike in Palm Beach County. The project will relieve crowding at the existing West Palm Beach Interchange at Okeechobee Boulevard. The design and ROW phases of the project are complete and the project is scheduled for letting in fall, 2005.

FPID 406102-1: This project will add new ramps at the existing interchange between the Turnpike and SR408 in Orange County. Construction is underway with completion slated for 2006.

FPID 411237-1: This project will add a new interchange on the Turnpike at Kissimmee Park Road in Osceola County. The interchange will give residents in the St. Cloud area better access to the Turnpike. Design is underway with letting scheduled in 2005.

James G. Kervin, Turnpike Utility Engineer
Lawrence R. Hayduk, Turnpike Utility Manager
Rodney Little, Turnpike Utility Coordinator

FDOT CENTRAL UTILITY OFFICE UPDATE

Ken Weldon

- The Proposed 2004 UAM has been submitted to the Joint Administrative Procedures Attorney for review and comment. The FDOT expects to finalize the UAM for March adoption. The 2006 UAM Rule process will begin anew immediately after adoption to address outstanding issues and any new issues submitted by the Utilities or the FDOT in calendar year 2005. This is a commitment to keep the UAM up to date on an annual cycle.
- The Utilities Web Site has been revised to provide links on the CO and District Utility Liaison process. Not all District material is posted but will be over the next couple of months, as provided.
- Ground Penetrating Radar research projects are underway. These are being studied to determine the effectiveness of the technology as a claim and damage preventive measure. Two projects are being concluded in District 4, one is underway in District 7, and one more is proposed in District 2. It was desired to complete more projects in 2005 however we have had problems with getting the GPR industry to qualify as a vendor of services and incorporate the work within the FDOT fiscal year.
- The Utility Industry is not participating in the Dispute Resolution Board process. The Industry is reminded this is not an FDOT organization, participants are paid, and it is shorting one's self not to have a peer on such a board. For more information you can access the Board via the internet or call any of the District or Central Office Construction staff.
- The FDOT is evaluating the potential future use of Utility Pay Items in lieu of FDOT Pay Items, the use of Lump Sum Pay Items, allowing the Utility to specify a list of Utility Qualified contractors, or provide utility contractor qualification standards on Utility Work By Highway Contractor Agreement projects. More information will be provided as more is learned.
- Both, the web posted 2006 Standard Indexes and the Utility Work Schedule are posted on the Utility web site. Their use is optional until the Proposed 2004 Rule 14-46.001 is adopted. Until the 2004 rule is adopted, the current / historic 99 UAM documents may be used at the Utility's discretion.
- The Utility Industry is encouraged to send a representative to the National AASHTO RW and Utilities meeting to be held in Austin, Texas in May. This is a good experience and an opportunity to learn the problems faced at home are not nearly as bad as commonly encountered across the nation in dealing with the FDOT.
- The Central office is committed to developing new training in support of the FDOT District Utility Offices as well as the Utility Industry in a DVD Format over the next 3 years. Additional training will also be provided on the Utility User's guide that is also now available via the Central Office Utilities Web Site.

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- The CO FDOT invited FDOT DUE's and their SUE Providers to meet on Tuesday to discuss possible improvement opportunities in the FDOT SUE Scopes of Services Agreements and tried to determine if changes would improve service. More discussion will occur over the next 6 months.
- Gary Bass chaired an open forum on Wednesday morning with Utility Consultants to discuss possible improvements and entertain suggestions including training needs. It was decided to have similar meetings once a year as part of the Statewide DUE Meetings to improve processes.
- Ken Weldon and David Kuhlman addressed question on the major UAM changes and where we are going long term in process on Wednesday afternoon in lieu of the cancelled CADD Workshop.
- In regards to the workshop question, "does the FDOT have included in Legislation any electric utility issues," the following is provided. There are two Legislative issues of which I am aware and the FDOT is not the proponent in either bill. One is referred to as the Electric Citing Act and introduced as HB 879 - Electric Utility Easements. The other is Establishing an Electric Utility Task Force and introduced as HB 677. Below is a link to the latter bill. The former can be accessed by merely changing the number 677 to 879.

<http://www.flsenate.gov/data/session/2005/House/bills/billtext/pdf/h0677.pdf>

- You have heard the saying, "write me a letter!" Well I'm requesting that you call first rather than sending any email, if possible. With the advent of spam and its just plain easier to send an email, it has slowed down the process by waiting for a response. Last week from Wednesday through Monday I had an all time record number of emails...543. Almost 300 of these were spam. With pirated email addresses I can't assume the email with a name or subject matter isn't legitimate so it takes time to look at each one. If you want a reasonably quick response call first. But always check with the District before involving me since they are the experts in anything other than standards and policy.

PROGRAM

Ms Billie Dugger, GISP, presented the history of mapping at the Florida Sunshine Call Center. She also discussed the upcoming changes in the mapping system. See the Power Point Presentation attached labeled February 2005 SSOCOF Preso by Billie Dugger.

INTEREST GROUP REPORTS

UAM Update

Ken Weldon and David Kuhlman
February 2, 2005

Dennis Labelle informed the group that the Auto CADD workshop had been rescheduled to sometime in March due to an illness with the instructor. There will be 12 computers with the ability to host 2 users per station with the possibility of some additional people standing behind the computers. More information forthcoming. If you have any immediate questions, contact Dennis Labelle with them.

Mr. Ken Weldon opened up the meeting by giving kudos to David Kuhlman for his hard work on the UAM along with FCG and others.

The annual cycle of updates pertaining to the UAM has been greatly improved. The significant improvements can be found in the Standard Specifications, Design Standards and the MOT 600 Series, which are now all included in the UAM.

The bullet points highlighted below were discussed mainly with David Kuhlman in charge of the meeting. They are as follows:

1. DOT will still require 16 hours of intermediate MOT training.

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2. A new category: Restricted Activities Training will cover the indexes included in the new UAM, with no minimum number of hours requirement.
3. The utility industry is more concerned with quality than quantity of hours to certify their personnel. The utility industry will not be allowed to self certify.
4. Certification cards will still have to be on person in the field.

Bullet points that the DOT and the utility industry agreed upon are as follows:

1. Railroad corridors have been classified as limited access (L/A) so an exception process can be followed to allow longitudinal utility installations.
2. Pole owners (3.5.2). Class 5 poles can be changed out to class 3 poles without a permit, however the 48 hour notification still applies.
3. The proposed surety bond for restoration has been rescinded.
4. Lane closures-permitted oversize vehicles must be able to move through work zones. Refer to 3.7.3 for lane closures that can not be quickly removed. If not easily moved (e.g. Jersey barriers), a 7 day notice has to go to Tallahassee so oversize vehicle permits will not be permitted through that workzone.
5. Chapter 8 MOT-The title of "Work Zone Traffic Control Specialist" will be changed to "Individual responsible for certain aspects of MOT (i.e.-monitor cones)
6. Color and type of lights that go on trucks. They will be class 2 amber or white minimum of 1. Two lights may be required if there is something on the truck that could possibly block one of the lights.
7. Site triangle (10.9.8) addresses issue greater than 15" diameter must be reviewed
8. 10.2.1 speaks to prohibition of equipment holding hazardous material. Power transformers are excluded from this requirement.
9. There is a minimum of 32" clearance in sidewalk pavement.
10. 5.1.2- The outer 3' of right-of-way is ENCOURAGED to be reserved for poles.

Utility Concessions:

1. Horizontal clearance requirements dependent upon design speed (no longer the potentially less stringent posted speed).
2. 3.7.7-Underground structures exceeding 80 cubic feet will require a written certification they meet or exceed the requirements of H, S. 20 Military Load.
3. MUTCD- our preference is that FDOT allow us to follow the MUTCD as a standard instead of the standard indexes. FDOT has improved the 600 series.

Remaining issues

1. New construction definition versus major reconstruction. Some projects are phased projects. On these projects, all right-of-way but not built out to the ultimate. DOT wants the utility industry to relocate to new right-of-way. In this scenario, the exception process will have to happen if utilities do not relocate to the ultimate location. The utility industry wants to phase along with the construction phasing.

The question is can we re-address the exception process pertaining to phased projects to make it simpler?

2. Utility Work Schedule (UWS)-new language basically states that utilities will be at DOT contractor's beck and call for exposing facilities. DOT contractors should be held to FSS 556 just as the utility contractors are.

FDOT Forum
Ken Weldon
February 3, 2005

Ken started out by saying that there was extensive conversation yesterday regarding the UAM and he did not want to reiterate that entire discussion.

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The Power Interest Group has made it known that they have a strong desire to put poles at the right-of-way line. This has been addressed to some degree in the proposed UAM. This request has now created a new set of problems with regard to sound barrier walls. The sound walls are requested by Home Owner Associations for the most part. The footers and foundations of these walls are the issue with respect to the pole line being built right at the right-of-way line. Coordination and communication are key in this type of construction. The District Utility offices coordinate barrier walls with the utility industry throughout the coordination effort. There is criterion for sound barrier walls.

DEP does not want the utility industry to piggy-back the DOT's permit application for road construction. There was concern voiced by the utility industry about how every utility applying for a DEP permit will impact the DOT's time line tremendously.

Gary Bass made the announcement that District 5 has postponed their liaison meeting due to lack of interest. There was a mass email sent out to the normal attendees asking why there isn't any interest in this meeting. Gary stated that last year, their meeting had the largest attendance of any other Liaison Meeting across the state. He is still waiting for input from the members.

AASHTO will be holding their national meeting the 2nd week in May in San Antonio, Texas. Ken Weldon suggested that the interest groups each send on a person to go and Fucc to sponsor them.

Vince Montgomery asked why survey isn't done on mill and resurfacing jobs, but yet the utility industry is expected to comply with ADA requirements. Ken Weldon answered by saying that the utility industry has the obligation to fulfill the DOT's obligations per the permit. Provisions are there for utilities to comply with ADA standards. Time does not have to match to comply to ADA and end of construction project.

COMBINED INTREST GROUP REPORT

Chaired by John Murphy
February 3, 2005

Jerrold Whitt stated that the District One Liaison Meeting will now go to an annual basis as opposed to semi-annual. The next meeting will take place at the Sarasota Holiday Inn Marina.

John Murphy reminded everyone to leave their name badges at the table if they plan on leaving today after this meeting.

Lawree Washington told the audience that 1532 was the number for the hospitality suite and it will open at 5:00pm.

There was a power point presentation given by Mike Melendez with GBF Engineering Inc. The presentation showed 3-D drawings and how before and after road projects look. The goal is to incorporate utilities underground and above ground facilities into the 3-D drawings so conflicts can be easily identified. Bentley Powerdraft is the tool used to create the pictures. Mike compared the utility coordination effort made today with mark-ups and what can happen with the electronic process that he demonstrated. Benefits were outlined.

John Spillmann, with R.R. Aleman, gave a presentation on working with FDOT Construction Plans.

John Murphy with GAI spoke about conflicts and their resolution during design coordination. See that attached power point presentation labeled "February 2005 GAI Preso by John Murphy". John reviewed standard abbreviations and symbols accepted on FDOT plans.

UNDERGROUND INTEREST GROUP REPORT

Chaired by Sharon Luginsland
February 3, 2005

Sharon Luginsland opened the meeting by explaining that Roni McClinton will not be able to chair the Underground Interest Group. Sharon opened the floor for nominations. Lawree Washington nominated Vince Montgomery and Mr. Montgomery denied. Sharon volunteered to run the meeting for another year. The vote was put to the floor. Lawree Washington made the motion and Kim Wiley seconded it.

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There were self introductions.

John Murphy (GAI) spoke of a new interest group being formed called "Scenic Resources". The group will be discussing scenic enhancements and Grace Harrison (GAI) will be chairing the committee. Grace, at this time is looking for members to attend. There have been large amounts of money set aside by DOT for "Scenic Enhancement" and these projects will definitely affect the utility industry. A sign-up sheet was sent around the group.

Cheryl Ritter with Sunshine One Call spoke about the statistics of the call center. Ticket submission has gone up 13% from December, 2003 to December 2004. Late notices are going out to the utility industry for not making a positive response. There were 113,000 late notices sent out for one month. The average answering speed is at 21 seconds. 39% of tickets received are done through electronic entry. There are 8 counties participating in issuing citations for violations against F.S.S. 556. The counties are: Duval, Pinellas, Volusia, Hernando, Okaloosa, Martin, Seminole and St. Lucie. Site visits are being made to the Clerk of Court offices and educating those folks in how to process the citation when offenders come in to pay the fines. Mapping updates are going to take place in the spring. "Call before you dig month" is April. Cheryl urged the group to visit the Sunshine website at <http://callsunshine.com/corp/index.html>.

Brad Martin with the Sunshine team spoke to the group about a "Locate Rodeo" that is taking place in August. SSOCOF would like to sponsor 8 people to go and participate in the rodeo. It's a form of recognition for the locators. There is a website that you can visit called locaterodeo.com. Brad also talked about a children's video that will coming out in the next year. The video is designed to inform the next generation about the law. Brad also made a comment to the fact that there is better communication between the utilities since the hurricanes in 2004.

There was a motion made to adjourn the meeting by Brad Martin. Karen Lucas seconded the motion.

JOINT USE

Chaired by John Pugh
February 2, 2005

- There was 6 people in attendance Weds. Feb. 5 th
- We talked about pole transfers in city of Tampa and them not issuing permits and cracking down on pole removals.
- Poles being boxed and where do joint use owners move the direction of poles without affecting someone, whatever works best for their facilities.
- Discussed pole tagging and some companies are doing it but most are not. Should we tag?
- Discussed removing trees after storms customer responsibility or utilities?
- We talked about changing the day from Weds to Thurs am between 8:00-9:30 am. This subject would be discussed at the Steering Committee. Kim Wiley and John Pugh were to bring it up in the Interest Group meetings and ask for anyone interested or who in their company could fit that area and could attend.

POWER INTEREST GROUP

No Report

TELECOMMUNICAITON INTEREST GROUP

No Report

STEERING COMMITTEE

February 2, 2005

Jan Ash gave a presentation on ACTEVA, the new pay system that FUCC members will use when registering for meetings. She also outlined the potential savings by using this system.

There was some brief discussion on starting up a sub-committee for the gas industry. No one held accountable for that action.

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Damage Prevention subcommittee will be starting up. Cheryl Ritter and Art Gilmore are going to spearhead that endeavor.

Interest groups are going to be asked to funnel any and all issues pertaining to the FDOT's policies and procedures up through the steering committee. Steering committee will write a letter to FDOT with the issues. This action will enable the FUCC to consolidate and keep track of the actions taken.

There was a brief discussion on the interest groups, in general, and how they have lost focus on what they should be trying to accomplish.

The cancellation of the workshop for the February meeting was discussed. The objective is to reschedule this class for sometime in March around the Orlando area. There was mention of the classes taking place throughout the state at various locations.

Dennis said that he is running low on badge holders. He can get 1000 of them for 31 cents each for a total of \$310.00. The committee approved the purchase.

Dennis Labelle also brought up the fact that there are several people who attend the planned FUCC workshops and are not paying for them. FPL holds their individual meeting in conjunction with the FUCC. Some of those folks are just going from their meeting right into the workshop without registering or paying.

The Chairman's for each interest group should be coming up with topics for the educational seminar.

John Pugh spoke briefly on the Joint Use sub-committee and the apparent lack of interest.

STRATEGIC PLANNING-Jan Ash said that no one showed up for this meeting. There was some brief discussion regarding the meeting being scheduled for some time that morning and Jan called the hotel to have it pushed out to later that day. Some of the folks who normally attend the strategic planning meeting or would like to attend that meeting, had other commitments during the new time frame set forth. Also, not everyone was made aware of the new time and just thought it was cancelled.

E-BUSINESS / WEB PAGE- No Report

MEMBERSHIP-No Report

DESIGN TICKET-No Report

CONFERENCE PLANNING- Dennis Labelle is soliciting people to help with various presentations for future meetings. He is looking for topics of interest and he will ensure that he has the appropriate speakers. There was one recommendation to do another plans reading class because of the influx of new people attending the FUCC meetings.

The August workshop is going to be talking about "Why does it take so long for Utilities to relocate their facilities"? Dennis will be contacting players from the various entities to cover power, telephone, water and sewer.

AWARD COMMITTEE-No Report

INDUSTRY UPDATES-No Report

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Art Gilmore.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly S. Wiley

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