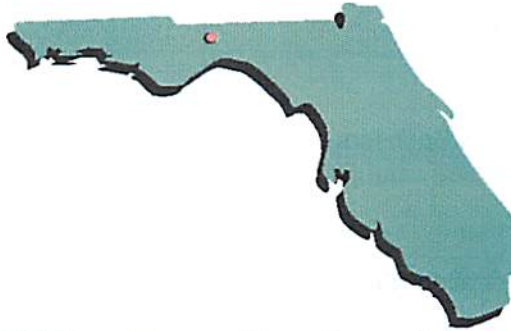


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### SUMMER MEETING MINUTES

Marco Island, Florida, August 3, thru August 5, 2005

**Chairman**

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John Murphy  
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Tom Dugger  
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Chairman Lawree Washington called the meeting to order at 8:15A.M. He gave his opening remarks that were followed by Jerrold Witt's Invocation and Tribute to the flag. Self-introductions of those in attendance found 65 at this Business Meeting.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** – Vince Montgomery was unable to attend this meeting. John Murphy gave the report. John reported that the minutes from the last meeting are currently posted on the web site. Copies were E-mailed to the membership last week. Several copies of the minutes were available for those who did not have access to the web.

A motion was made by Jerrold Witt and second by Vinnie Lavallette to waive the reading of the Secretary's Minutes. They were approved as written and will be posted on the web site. The group was reminded of the E-mail Group for the FUCC. To become a member of the group you should send an E-Mail to [FUCC@callsunshine.com](mailto:FUCC@callsunshine.com). In the subject line, type the word: subscribe, you will automatically be added to the group and will be receiving all future electronic mail outs. The FUCC web site is up and running at the old address: <http://www.fucc.org>.

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE**

**TREASURER'S REPORT – Jan Ash, Treasurer**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>		\$ 8,014.84
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
Pre-Registration	\$ 6322.00	
On-Site Registration & Sponsors	\$ 7500.00	
		\$ 13,822.00
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
Incorporation Registration (State of Florida)	\$	
ACTEVA Fees	\$	
May Meeting	\$ 4,768.00	
SSOCOF Golf Sponsorship	\$	
Hospitality	\$	
Door Prizes	\$	
Gratuity	\$	
Meeting Planner Fee	\$	
Annual Banquet	<u>\$ 8,780.09</u>	
		\$ 13,548.09
<b>Un-audited Balance</b>		<b>273.91</b>

It is very important to the FUCC that everyone register via ACTEVA. Search word is "FUCC." When you reach the site, there will be four selections. If you have prepaid, please use the appropriate selection, there is No Charge, only the registration. With this electronic registrations, the Committee can plan for the meals and breaks at each meeting.

ACTEVA will allow FUCC to conduct a survey by posting three questions regarding the Registrations Fees. The last increase in Registration Fees was in 1999. Please respond to our survey, which will assist in the continued development of the FUCC to better serve the members. All questions must be answered during the registration for the November Meeting.

1. IF we need to raise the Registration, what is an acceptable meeting fee?
2. What are the least important food and beverage benefit?
3. What can we do to improve our meeting?

**HISTORIAN'S REPORT –** The following report was prepared by Tom Dugger, and presented by John Murphy:

Fifty Years Ago – August 1955

Chairman H.L. Martin, Florida 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 were available.

Twenty-Five Years Ago – August 7, 1980  
Caribbean Gulf Island Resort Hotel, Clearwater Beach, Florida

Chairman: Horace Irwin, Florida Power Corporation  
 Vice-Chairman: Ted Carlson, Florida Power and Light Company  
 Secretary: C.E. Hanle, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Attendance:	Telephone 14	Power 15	FDOT 12	Counties 7	
	Consultants 8	Cities 2	One Call Center 3	Gas 4	TOTAL 65

Members who attended that meeting that are still active in FUCC are : Dennis LaBelle, Walt Childs, Charles Andrews, and Rocky DePrimo.

The Bicycle Path Subcommittee reported that the committee to study and make recommendations regarding bicycle paths in Gainesville has been set up. The State DOT and the Gainesville Transportation Board established the committee. There are 30 members who will work to establish objectives aimed at a Design Manual to be used by the State to design bicycle paths.

A slide presentation and talk was given on Standard Color Code for Permanent Marking of Underground utilities. The proposal was for the FUCC to adopt a standard for the State using the same colors as the temporary markings already in use.

## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT REPORTS

### **District One – Jerrold Whitt, Dep. District Utility Administrator**

The District will be holding its annual Liaison Meeting in late March 2006.

We will be forwarding the projects, which will be fast tracked or will be let by alternative letting means as soon as the District knows itself.

The District continues to hold month meetings in 7 of the 12 Counties, reviewing local issues and FDOT's Work Program.

### **District Two – Bobby Ellis**

District 2 has month monthly utility group meetings. The time and locations are posted on the FDOT Central Office Utility Web Site, under District news.

The Five Year Program for District 2 will be presented District wide in the month of December. The District Utility Office will provide notifications to all utility owners of actual dates/times of the Five Year Overview in Jacksonville, Lake City, and Live Oak. The Planning office arranges these meetings

### **District Three – No Report**

### **District Four – Rocky DePrimo, District Utility Administrator**

The District continues to electronically furnish it monthly status report for all projects in the production and letting cycle. All final plans are being sent to the utilities on CD's. A special announcement went out to the utility industry indicating possible project that may be advanced with the Growth Management Funding, another letter will go out when the projects are "locked down."

### **District Five – Gary Bass, District Utility/Value Engineering Administrator**

Gary introduced the members of District 5 Administration, who are attending this meeting: Annette Brennan, Mario Bizzio, Robert Ache, Dennis Lindsey, and Frank Kelch. Dennis and Frank are Resident Utility Specialist for their respective Construction offices.

The District is beginning to plan for its Utility Liaison meeting to be held in the Spring 06.

Final Plans submittals will now be in CD format. Phase plans review will remain paper plans, for now.

Completed electronic mails list for all utilities in D-5 will be used for mail out of process & procedure changes, work program mail outs, etc.

### **District Six – NO REPORT**

**District Seven – Sally Prescott**

District 7 will hold their Fall Utility Liaison Conference on September 23<sup>rd</sup> at Silverthorne County Club, near Spring Hill. Please Contact the District Utility Office for Details.

**TURNPIKE ENTERPRISE DISTRICT – James G. Kervin, Turnpike Utility Engineer**

*Below is an update of some of the major projects under development at the Turnpike Enterprise.*

**MEDIAN GUARDRAIL:** The Turnpike Enterprise has completed the installation of new median guardrail on the Turnpike Mainline in Lake, Osceola, Orange, Indian River, St. Lucie, Okeechobee, Sumter, and Dade counties. Over 150 miles of median guardrails were added. The median guardrail projects will reduce cross over accidents on the northern and very southern sections of the Turnpike. Restoration of the median areas is nearing completion. The number of Crossover accidents is down 255% and the visual impacts to the recently install railing are dramatic evidence they are working.

**Canal Protection:** These projects will install a combination of guardrail and cable systems in areas where canals are in close proximity to the travel lanes within Palm Beach, St Lucie and Dade Counties. Preliminary design is underway and letting is scheduled for April 2006.

**Dade County**

**FPID 406096-1:** This project will widen the HEFT to 8 lanes between SW 117<sup>th</sup> Ave and Kendall Drive plus 2 auxiliary lanes around the SR 874 Interchange. Preliminary design is underway and is scheduled for letting in February 2008.

**FPID 415462-2:** This project will relocate the existing Golden Glades Mainline Toll Plaza to the north at the Miami Gardens Drive overpass and will provide express lanes for SunPass users. Extensive utility relocations will be required including the FGT gas lines. Preliminary design is underway with a letting scheduled for January 2008.

**FPID 415905-1:** This project will convert the existing Okeechobee Mainline Toll Plaza to both cash lanes and SunPass express lanes. Utility services to the Mainline Toll Plaza will require relocation and upgrading. An interchange at NW 74<sup>th</sup> Street will be added in cooperation with Miami-Dade County and District 6. Phase II plans are complete and the letting is scheduled for May 2006

**Broward County**

**FPIDs 406094-1 and 406097-1:** These projects will widen the Turnpike from 6 to 8 and 10 lanes in Broward County. These projects were developed under contracts that combine the PD&E and design effort. There is extensive utility involvement on both projects. The projects have undergone 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. The projects will actually be split into northbound and southbound projects. These two projects will be for southbound widening only. Both projects will take three years to construct. Approximately twelve miles of the Turnpike will be upgraded. These projects were let in June with construction scheduled to begin later this year. Design of the northbound widening is scheduled to begin next year.

**FPID 406095-1 and 406095-4:** These two projects will widen the Turnpike mainline from 6 to 8 lanes from the HEFT to Griffin Road (approximately 7 miles in length). Plans production is scheduled for completion in early 2007. Extensive utility relocations will be required including the FGT gas lines.

**FPID 406147-1:** This project is a Design-Build to widen the Sawgrass Expressway between Atlantic Ave and Coral Ridge Dr from 4 lanes to 6 lanes. The letting is scheduled for September 2005 and construction is scheduled to be completed by March 2008.

**FPID 406150-1:** This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 6 to 8 lanes. 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 406153-1:** This project is a Design-Build to widen the Sawgrass Expressway from 4 to 6 lanes from Coral Ridge Drive to the Turnpike Mainline. Construction is underway.

**Palm Beach County**

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

**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 is underway. Construction will take approximately two years. Previously, the project included modifications to the existing interchange at Atlantic Avenue, along with widening of Atlantic Avenue within the interchange limits. This portion has since been removed from the Turnpike widening and was let as a separate project. Construction is underway on all portions.

**FPID 406112-1:** This project will add a new interchange at Jog Road and the Turnpike Mainline in Palm Beach County. The project will relieve crowding at the existing West Palm Beach Interchange at Okeechobee Boulevard. The design is complete and was let in June with construction scheduled to begin later this year.

**Orange County**

**FPIDs 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 OOCEA. 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 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 IV plans are complete and utility coordination is ongoing. Extensive coordination with CSX Transportation was required to relocate portions of their rail yard underneath the Beeline bridges to minimize the impacts to their train building and normal operations during our construction. Letting is scheduled for June 2006.

**FPID 406091-1:** This project is to widen the Turnpike Mainline in Orange County from 4 to 8 lanes, a distance of approximately 6 miles, from SR528 to I-4. The project is under construction.

**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 406146-1:** This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 4 to 8 lanes from SR 429 to SR 50 in Orange County. This project is roughly 5 miles in length. Preliminary design is underway with the letting scheduled for March 2008.

**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. Phase II design is underway. Letting is scheduled for March 2007.

**Osceola County**

**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 south St. Cloud better access to the Turnpike. Phase IV plans are complete and letting is scheduled for November 2005.

**Citrus County**

**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 existing 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. The PD&E is being developed under Federal Highway Administration guidelines.

Electronic Plans review is now in operation. We are developing a format where reviewers will post to the plans, with comments by other, to avoid conflicting and repetition of the same review comment.

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

**CENTRAL OFFICE (C/O)**

The C/O is continuing with the research for optimum utility placement in the R/W. It was decided to compare the results of an analysis for a project in District 2 with how the R/W was eventually configured.

After the Utility Accommodations Manual has been approved with the rule making process, the C/O will announce a meeting to review the changes that were made to it. The meeting will only be held once. The meeting and the presentation will be video taped and downloaded to a DVD for those who were not able to attend.

After the letting it is the desire of the FDOT to distribute plan sets in an electronic format (CD).

The Growth Management Bill that was approved by the recent legislature will impact the FDOT Work Program. \$1.1 Billion is to be spent in FY 05-06 and \$750,000 per year thereafter for 10 years. These funds will be spread over many FDOT areas including Mass Transit and ITS. The C/O encourages UAO coordination with the Districts to determine the impact to their facilities.

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**SUNSHINE STATE ONE CALL CENTER**

Mark Sweet presented an over-view of the Sunshine One Call Center's Annual Report.

- Currently there are 705 Members, with an additional 250 Associate Members.
- 1.8 Million Tickets have been processed.
- There are approximately 1,000 new residents in Florida each month.
- The One Call Center transferred its operations to an Ohio Operations Center during a recent storm event. All stat and tickets are replicated in less than a minute.
- 494 Safety Education programs have been presented.
- Eleven Damage Prevention Seminars have been presented.
- It is estimated that Sunshine One Call has reached 10 thousand people at Trade Shows.
- Sunshine One Call sponsored a Florida Location Team and the recent National Conference in Florida.
- \$140,000.00 Enforcement Program has been started, with additional funding for next year.
- Locate Tickets now cost \$0.53. This reduction has been prompted by the continued growth in Florida.
- The majority of Locate Tickets are via Internet, even during the latest Tropical Storm.

Question: Are declared States of Emergency by a Utility monitored? Not at this time.

Cheryl Ritter also reported that the status of the On-Line Design Ticket would be available soon. The program "Call before your Design" will make Florida one of eight states where this service is provided. In Florida it is still a voluntary response from the Utility owner. For these requests: Level 1 = Level D – Basic Responses. Level 2 = Level C – Visible utility identifications. Level 3 = Level B – Scanning the surface with limited equipment. Level 4 = Level A – Verified Vertical & Horizontal locations of underground facilities. For this service to succeed, the UAO must update their contact names and telephone numbers annually. Additionally, if there is to be a payment to the UOA for Design service, the UAO must notify the requester and payment is to be made directly to the UAO.

Verified vertical and horizontal excavations should be called in as a "dig Ticket" because the ground will be penetrated with excavation devices.

**Questions:**

- How does a UAO respond to a ticket when a "white line" is not provided? The Contractor must provide the "white line" then call in a new ticket. In the case a contractor failed to use due diligence.
- A question was asked why existing aerial facilities are not provided for design tickets. This was a decision by SSOC to not locate or suggest designated by the UAO of aerial facilities. The designer has some responsibilities to investigate his project locations.
- How are the UAOs being cited? At this point, SSOC cannot respond. Still in the learning curve.
- Can an expired ticket cause a citation on a backfilling with equipment? The violation is valid because the contractor was using mechanical equipment on an expired ticket, a violation. Even given the evidence the ticket was eleven days old.
- Are citations being paid? Yes, they are similar to traffic tickets.

## **INTEREST GROUP REPORTS**

### **JOINT USE –**

John Pugh led the meeting of fourteen who have lively discussions on the relocations and adjustment of facilities.

### **POWER INTEREST GROUP**

Gary Cocker, FP&L Co. is the new Chairman

### **TELECOMMUNICATIONS & UNDERGROUND Groups met in a combined meeting**

Telecommunications Co-Chairs for 2006 are Bob Lowen and Jim Lorrman  
Underground Co-Chairs for 2006 are Vinnie LaVallette and Dennis Stanton

Angela Gable, Ash Engineering, gave an overview of her presentation on Wetland Permitting, which was to be presented at the Educational Seminar.

- Question -Can a swale in front of someone's house be considered a wetland? If it has soil, vegetation, standing water – then Yes.
- What is the anticipated time frame for a Permit to cross wetlands – 30 days to develop the Permit – 60 days to receive the Permit. Sovereign Submerged Lands require an additional 90 days.
- Natural Gas pipelines can receive an emergency permit.
- Last month, the Governor signed a five year moratorium for wetland permitting.
- A directional bore is less intrusive than direct burial or a trench.

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- There are no 'blanket' permits from FDOT. Utility companies may need their own permit, unless FDOT will issue a copy of the FDOT's Permit. When in doubt the UAO should apply for their own permit. Just remember, the UAO may need to provide its own silt fence, when the work anticipated it in advance of FDOT's contractor being on site.

### Old Business –

Lawree Washing requested additional clarification on Section A, Page 1 of the Utility Work Schedule. There are currently three versions on the FDOT web site. It was suggested that certain language is on the Utility Permit, a supplementary document, but it is not.

The "PDF" Work Schedule should be removed from the FDOT's web site.

There is revised language suggesting the UWS and the UAM have been updated to be concurrent.

TECO-People Gas's concern is that a contractor could interpret this Section to mean that the UAO would be required to expose their facility for the full length of the project. This is not realistic.

The forty-eight (48) Hour notice is not often enough time to schedule a crew and locate (expose) and existing facility

The UAM has not been adopted. However, the UAM will be approved and will be adopted before the November FUCC meeting. The real problem for a UAO is Cost & Time to expose existing facilities. Gar Bass noted that District 5 is still accepting to 'old form' of the UWS.

Jerold Witt stated the wording "may" need to be tightened up during a construction project. Lack of a response from a UAO could lead to a delay claim from the contractor.

### NOTES from the FDOT FORUM

- The proposed language in the UWS is the same as in the UAM. The 48 hours notice.
- Plans in electronic format are available from FDOT.
- Growth Management Law – Passed – Work Program will be impacted. Some projects are going to Design / Build. For additional information go to the FDOT's web site where there is a link to Growth Management Law.
- How do the Districts handle ERPs?
  - District 2 & Turnpike District - Each UAO should request their own.
  - District 3 – UAO should "get their own."
  - District 5 Get your own permit, the District prefers you do not "piggy-back."
  - District 7 Consider a 'piggy-back', better to get your own.
- Is there consistency in the acceptance of Red /Green / Brown marked plans? District 4 requires electronic BellSouth (Bob Lowen) is providing well marked up plans. R/G/B/ marking are being posted, but B/W notes would be helpful. The addition of multiple Phase Reviews is causing additional plans and re-designation of relocations.

District 7 is using a Pre-Phase 3 Review that occurs after the Drainage has been submitted, to 'tweak' the proposed storm drainage to avoid utility conflicts. This process is used on large scale projects and municipal projects.

District 4 will use a similar process when additional design has been added to the project.

District 1 does not use additional Phase reviews, unless necessary.

Turnpike District used additional contacts when there are design revisions.

As the project closes-in on the production date, the flexibility of redesign is reduced. All Districts are requiring a summary of design changes between reviews to reduce the re-contacts with the UAOs.



**UTILITY ACCOMMODATIONS MANUAL (UAM)**

No Report. THE UAM Committee needs a chairperson to champion their causes. Currently the Florida Energy Group is leading the objections to proposed revisions to the UAM. It is hoped to have the UAM through the legislative requirements and adopted before the next FUCC meeting.

**SCENIC RESOURCES –**

1. Eleven members attended.
2. We reviewed a matrix of acceptable plants for "under overhead or over underground utilities". These plants were categorized by hardiness zone and district.
3. Discussion took place regarding the recommendations to include an RLA (registered landscape architect) at the pre drainage design mtg. and at the 60% mtg.
4. Our plan is to post these landscape guidelines on the FTP site after obtaining comments from the utilities, our sub committee, landscape architects and Dist utility coordinators. The guidelines would include the plant list, (images of the plants possibly as an attachment), standard indexes, sample landscape plan and narrative on requirements/information that should be provided/coordinated for an acceptable landscape plan.
5. Our goal is to incorporate comments in a final draft for the Fall mtg. This may slide to the Winter meeting as it is a lot of information for busy people to review.
6. Once the guidelines are approved and recommended by the FUCC, they will be forwarded to FDOT's Central Office.

On a side note, Ed Nicole, came with an example of a root system that has encapsulated one of the service lines. The growth of the root and reduced the plastic service line to a customer. While landscaping can be an enhancement, when it attacks the underground service, it can be a problem area. The planting of landscape needs to take into consideration underground and aerial services to customers, outside of the Right of Way line.

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**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**STEERING COMMITTEE (8/03/05)**

Dennis LaBelle	Jam Ash	Cheryl Ritter	John Pugh
Art Gilmore	Lawree Washington	Gary Monday	Ed Garcia
Rocky DePrimo			

Jan Ash gave an overview of the Treasurer's report noting that \$4,500 was collected in June/July for Sponsorships. As miscellaneous income, the "TIP" jar in the Hospitality Room of \$90.00. Given the current status of the treasury, we need to break even over the next two meetings.

The food costs are necessitating a study to increase income, or reduce refreshments provided. Coffee is now \$38.00 per gallon. The Vendors have paid for the 'Break' refreshments for this Thursday. Jan had a presentation for the Steering Committee on adjustment of fees to cover the increasing cost of the meeting and events.

It was also stated the FUCC's book need to be audited, preferably before turning them over to the new Treasurer. This is a requirement of our By-Laws. In order to save cost, FUCC would consider "In Kind Service", FUCC would award some type of sponsorship or other acknowledgment. Gary Monday stated that he would investigate an "In Kind Sponsor."

**Future meeting locations:**

- There is concern that the summer meeting is more of a family event than the other meetings. With the school in Florida not beginning around August 1<sup>st</sup>, several members are not able to participate because they desire to be home with their families. It was suggested to reschedule the August

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meeting to mid-July, in order to avoid a conflict with the start of schools and encourage members with families to participate at this meeting. The Steering Committee will investigate the possibilities with the Hotel, to reschedule, and if feasible, bring this suggestion to the Business meeting for a vote.

- The Cocoa Beach Hilton has completed its remodeling after last year's storm damage.
- It was suggested that we investigate the Mission In Conference Center @ Howey in the Hills for a future meeting. The next open date is November of 2006.

The Utility Accommodation Manual Committee needs to become more active. Currently the electric corporations have the Department ear in modifications to the UAM. The FUCC needs to step-up its participation with the reviewing and commenting of the UMA. TECO Peoples Gas has concern on one or two items in the current editions. The FUCC needs to assist them with their concerns so that they do not get lost with the active participations of the electric corporation and interest group. Currently the UAM Committee appears to be Jim Lowman, Rocky DiPrimo, and Lawree Washington

### **E-BUSINESS / WEB PAGE**

GAI Consultants has taken over the maintenance of the FUCC Web page. We will post information as soon as it becomes available to us. We will not post any information, reviewed by the administrative Committee that is felt to not be in the best interest of the organization.

GAI is also developing a new web page, which will be launched in the near future. We hope to make it more user friendly and a source of information to the industry.

Rosemary Sweet asked if the FUCC had ever considered hoisting a web-enar for Technical Presentation to the industry at a minimal cost to all who enrolled. The idea of reaching out to more people at a minimal cost could be a benefit to the group and its membership. John Murphy will investigate.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

The membership committee met during the lunch break on Thursday and is developing plans for a membership Campaign.

### **CONFERENCE PLANNING**

All locations for the next years have been established. Those present must vote the question, which came up yesterday regarding the rescheduling of the 2006 Summer meeting. Initial indications are that the 2006, Summer meeting can be rescheduled to the third week in July, which should accommodate the beginning of the school Calendar for most of the State.

There was a motion and a second to reschedule the Summer 2006 meeting to the third week in July. Motion Passed.

### **AWARD COMMITTEE**

No Report at this time. Just as a reminder, all past recipients of FUCC Awards are the members of the Award Committee

### **INDUSTRY UPDATES –**

No Report

### **BUSINESS MEETING – PROGRAM PRESENTATION**

Modern Tech is a company that provides solutions using Technology to the Architectural, Engineering, Utility, and Construction Markets. They have been serving the southeastern United States since 1987. They support

20,000 seats if software.

Mark Mincy and Craig Dotson gave a presentation “GEOSPATIAL MANAGED ENVIRONMENT.”

### **FALL MEETING NOTICE**

The Fall meeting will be held at the Marco Island Hilton Hotel. One of the presentations will be on Lighting Protections, by a representative from NASA. Make your reservations early to be sure to get a room. Please remember, you can still register electronically and pay at the door. We encourage everyone to register on-line

### **ELECTION OF SECRETARY AND ROTATION OF OFFICERS**

At this meeting, the officer of the organization rotate and a new Secretary is elected. The nominating Committee presented the name of Ron Popp, SPRINT-Florida, as their recommendation for the position of Secretary. The floor was opened for nomination, but there were none. It was moved and seconded the Ron Popp be elected to the positions of Secretary of the FUCC. Motion passed.

The last Items of Business was the dissolving of all Committees, and passing the torch of leadership to the Vice Chairman. In his closing remarks, Lawree Washington thanked everyone for their assistance and help during this past year. The gavel was passed to incoming Chairman John Murphy who promptly reinstated all of the standing Committees. A plaque of appreciation for his service was presented to Lawree Washington.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 11:00 am, to reconvene in November at the Cocoa Beach Hilton.

Respectfully submitted by: John A. Murphy, GAI Consultants;

For:

Vince Montgomery, OUC-Electric,  
Secretary, Florida Utilities Coordinating Committee