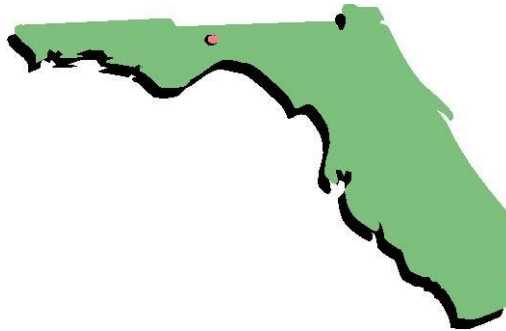


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WINTER MEETING

Ocala Hilton, Ocala, Florida, February 6 - February 8, 2008

Chairman

Ron Popp
239-336-2162

Vice Chairman

Gary Monday
813-290-8899

Secretary

Don Anthony
727-329-2841

Historian

Tom Duggar
850-599-1543

Chairman Ron Popp called the meeting to order at 8:20 A.M on February 8, 2008. He gave his opening remarks that were followed by an Invocation and Tribute to the flag. Self-introductions of those in attendance found 66 at this Business Meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Don Anthony reported that the minutes from the Mission Inn meeting are currently posted on the web site. Don started to read the minutes and a motion was made by John Murphy and second by several members to approve and waive the reading of the Secretary's Minutes. They were approved as written 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. 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>.

The Exchange Club of Ocala held a " Corn Boil" for the members after the Thursday session. Attendance was heavy and everyone enjoyed the sweet corn. The Exchange Club sends it's thanks to all the members for raising **over \$300** for the Abused Women and Children of Ocala.

Historian Report- Tom Duggar

FLORIDA UTILITIES COORDINATING COMMITTEE HISTORIAN'S REPORT FOR February 8, 2008

FIFTY YEARS AGO – FEBRUARY, 1958

CHAIRMAN – J. R. Henderson, Winter Park Telephone Company
SECRETARY – Homer Welch, Lee County Electric Co-op

NO MINUTES OF THIS MEETING

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: February 4, 1983, Quality Inn, Longwood, Fl.

ATTENDANCE: TELEPHONE 10, POWER 17, FDOT 6, GAS 4, COUNTIES 3, CATV 1, CITIES 3, ONE CALL CENTER 3, Consultants 1, Fla. PSC 4. A TOTAL OF 52.

CHAIRMAN – R.P. "Dick" Hall, PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM
VICE CHAIRMAN – Tom Priest, Sebring Utilities Commission
SECRETARY – J.L. "Jim" Dunning, Gulf Power Company

Members who attended that meeting that are still active in the FUCC are
Dennis LaBelle, Ed Garcia, Rocky DePrimo, Jim Wrigh and Thomas Duggar.

FHWA Safety Subcommittee - Chairman, Dennis LaBella, reported on various topics covered at the meeting held in Washington, DC in January 1983. The Transportation Research Board Reported on hazardous poles is not complete, but some areas have begun to collect data. The new Federal Gas Tax fund will be used to finance new projects as well as safety projects.

The Utility Accommodation Guide subcommittee reported they had reached consensus that there is no present need to revise the Guide, but clarification is needed in some instances. A written clarification from the DOT will be requested on the specific problems areas which were of concern to the Subcommittee.

MCI Telecommunications Corp. notified members of a fiber optics communication cable planned on Seaboard System's right of way from Jacksonville to Auburndale, Orlando to Tampa and Auburndale to Miami. MCI has an agreement to use 4,000 miles of Seaboard System's right of way, 500 miles of which are located in Florida. MCI's cable will be installed at 4 foot depth.

The program was presented by Florida Gas Transmission Company, it covered a pipeline 1,600 feet under the St. Johns River south of Jacksonville for Seminole Electric Co-op generating plant, which was installed using directional drilling. A film of the drilling process and specific construction problems combined for a very informative program.

New business: Due to the retirement of Committee Historian Mr. Verne Brown, with General Telephone the Chairman appointed Mr. Clyde Johnson of Southern Bell to Serve in that capacity. Mr. Brown was recognized for his many contributions to our committee, including the publication of a 50th anniversary report entitled FLORIDA UTILITIES COORDINATING COMMITTEE 1932 – 1981.

FDOT Highway Permit Engineer, explained the process for obtaining oversize and / or overweight permits. His office processed 170,000 permits in 1982. He has developed a permit which allows utilities to haul over-length loads of up to 120 feet.

TREASURER'S REPORT – VINNIE LaVALLETTE

Beginning Balance as of 12/31/07 \$ 4,748.13

Deposits made since 12/31/07 \$ 3,963.18

Income

Pre-Registration (@ \$50 each)	91	\$	4,550.00	
On-Site Registration (@ \$60 each)	13	\$	780.00	
Workshop Only (@ \$30 each)	5	\$	150.00	
Pre-Registration (4 mtgs) (@ \$45 each)	13	\$	585.00	
Booth Rental (@ \$250 each)	4	\$	1,000.00	
Sponsorship Monies:				
		\$	3,000.00	
BrightHouse Networks		\$	2,000.00	
Davey Resources		\$	250.00	
Southeastern Surveying & Mapping		\$	3,000.00	
TBE Group, Inc.		\$	3,000.00	
Sunshine State One Call of Florida		\$	<u>3,000.00</u>	
		\$		18,315.00

Expenses

Acteva Fees (@ \$3.07 each)	91	\$	279.37	
Hotel Fee		\$	2,193.48	
Door Prizes		\$	111.50	
Bank Fees		\$	3.00	
Hospitality		\$	300.00	Estimate
Hotel Deposit - Hilton Ocala		\$	500.00	
Meeting Booklet Ads		\$	1,600.00	
UCC Pilot - Costs & Estimating		\$	160.86	
UCC Pilot - Plans Reading		\$	188.19	
Copy Fee - A. Lund for UG Interest Grp		\$	23.12	
Corn Boil		\$	120.00	
Gratuity		\$	40.00	
Meeting Planner Fee		\$	<u>1,975.00</u>	
		\$		7,494.52

Ending Balance \$ **19,531.79**

Prepared by: Vinnie LaVallette
02/13/08

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 registration, the Committee can plan for the meals and breaks at each meeting. Vinnie also suggested that anyone having trouble with the web site can simply send her a check for registration.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT REPORTS

District One – Walter Childs, District Utility Administrator

We continue to have our monthly group meetings in the District. Our steering committee will be meeting within the next 30 days to plan our next District Liaison conference. This meeting will be held sometime within the next three months, probably in the Sarasota Area. If any of you have any good ideas for speakers please let me know as we will be looking for speakers for this meeting. Also, Jerrold Whitt will be serving as our new chairman for the District.

District Two – Vince Camp – No Report

District Three – –Jeremy Cushing, (Kathy Ozmore)

Kathy mentioned the next Liaison conference will be held April 15th in Chipley for those who would like to attend..

District Four – Tim Brock, District Utility/Value Engineer - I offer the following as an update from D-4. My admin staff (Bonnie) has retired and I am currently filling that vacancy...we run a three staff outfit...with one of the three missing. Of course this means we are a bit off-balance so please have patience. We continue to provide the monthly e-mails to all of our utility partners within the District (that we have accurate e-mail addresses). I am 're-building' my e-mail database for these mass mailings. I currently have approx. 100 names we send the monthly production reports to. It has been expressed that some folks do not understand just how to read the monthly report...so I said I would e-mail an explanation of the report...basically describing the format on the contents of the report. I have since e-mailed this "how to read the monthly report" to my utility partners in D4.

Communication must be the easiest thing to do, yet it has been my experience it is one of the easiest things to "not do". No communication leads to extra work and extra costs. Time and money is hard to find in today's market...so I plan on using my D4 utility partner e-mail distribution list as a tool to communicate...to the utility partners I am aware of.

District Five – No report given.

.District Six – No report given.

District Seven – David Summers

The District VII Spring Liaison conference is April 4th at Pebble Creek Country Club in Northeast Tampa. The District also urges everyone to attend and support the monthly local Utility Groups.

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

WINTER 2008 FUCC MEETING

FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE ENTERPRISE PROJECT UPDATE

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

FPID 406096-1: This project will widen the HEFT in Dade County from 4 to 8 lanes from SW 117th Ave. to Kendall Drive, a distance of roughly 3 miles, with a reconfiguration of the existing SR 874 Interchange. Sixty percent plans are complete and utility coordination is underway. Plans production is scheduled for completion in mid 2009.

FPID 406104-1 and 415905-1: This project will add a new interchange at NW 74th Street and the HEFT in Miami-Dade County and include additional toll plaza lanes with SunPass Express Lanes at the existing Okeechobee Mainline Plaza. This project is under construction.

FPIDs 406094-1 and 406097-1: These projects will widen the Southbound lanes of the Turnpike Mainline from 3 to 4 and 5 lanes in Broward County between Griffin Road and Atlantic Blvd. Approximately twelve miles of the Turnpike will be upgraded. Construction on both projects is underway. There is extensive utility involvement on both projects. Both projects will take three years to construct.

FPIDs 406094-4 and 406097-4: These projects will widen the Northbound lanes of the Turnpike Mainline from 3 to 4 and 5 lanes in Broward County between Griffin Road and Atlantic Blvd. Approximately twelve miles of the Turnpike northbound lanes will be upgraded. Utility Coordination is under way and 100% plans are under review. Plans production is scheduled for early 2008.

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. 100% plans are under review. Plans production is scheduled for completion in mid 2008.

FPID 406147-1 and 406151-1: These are Design/Build projects to widen the Sawgrass Expressway from 4 to 6 lanes between Atlantic Blvd and the Turnpike. Construction is underway with a completion schedule of early 2008.

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. Final design is underway. Major utility impacts are expected.

FPID 420289-1 and 420289-6: These are Design/Build projects to convert the existing Toll Plazas at Sunrise and Deerfield on the Sawgrass Expressway to Express lanes. Construction is underway and is scheduled for completion in mid 2009.



FPID 406144-1: This project will widen the Turnpike Mainline in Palm Beach County from 4 to 8 lanes from Boynton Beach Blvd to Lake Worth Road. The project is roughly 7 miles in length. The project also includes the upgrade of the Lake Worth Road Interchange. Sixty percent plans are complete and utility coordination is underway.

FPID 406143-1: This project will widen the Turnpike Mainline from 4 to 8 lanes between Lake Worth Road and Okeechobee Blvd. The project is in the early stages of design.

FPID 406090-1: The existing Mainline Toll Plaza on the Beachline, SR 528, in Orange County will be upgraded with express lanes. Construction is underway.

FPID 406091-1: This project will 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 is under construction. Construction will be complete in 2008.

FPID 406146-1: This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 4 to 8 lanes from Beulah Road to SR50 in Orange County. The project is roughly 4 miles in length. Ninety percent plans are complete and utility coordination is underway.

FPID 406148-1: This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 4 to 8 lanes from I-4 to Gotha Road in Orange County. The project is roughly 4 miles in length. Construction is underway. A separate project to widen from Gotha Road to Beulah Road is also under construction.

FPID 422330-1: This project will widen the Beachline in Orange County from 4 to 6 lanes from the Turnpike Interchange to Boggy Creek Road. Final design and utility coordination is underway for an early 2008 letting.

FPID 405270-1: The Turnpike is designing a new road corridor in Citrus County. The road will be an extension of the Suncoast Parkway. The Suncoast Parkway 2 project will extend the Parkway from US98 in Brooksville north to US19 (Approximately 27 miles). Design has begun on all segments

James G. Kervin, Turnpike Utility Engineer
Lawrence R. Hayduk, Turnpike Utility Manager
Rodney Little, Turnpike Utility Coordinator
Vince Krepps, Construction Utility Coordinator
Nick Vitani, Utility Project Coordinator
Lee Davis, Sr. Program Assistant



CENTRAL OFFICE (C/O) Tom Bane

Improving liaison with Utilities is a very high priority. The Utilities need to see the proposed changes to the U.A.M. earlier for comments. The U.A.M. sub-committee has formed a core group of utility personnel to review the specs and changes earlier in the process before going to rule making.

Tom also has a website for everyone to visit and view the proposed changes. All comments should go through the U.A.M. core group.

Tom then went through changes in the 2007 Utility Accommodations Manual. The "plain language" re-write of the 2007 U.A.M. will **NOT** change anything except going to plain language and active voice.



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Call Center Statistics

- Incoming excavation ticket volume is down 15.57% over last year with 1,018,776 locate tickets received.
- Outbound excavation ticket volume is down 21.80% with 6.9 million locate tickets transmitted to utility member operators.
- The call center's average answer speed is 24.11 seconds with 36% of all incoming excavation notices received over the phone and 64% over the Internet during the month of January.
- SSOCOF membership stands at 804 primary member operators and 247 associate members

SSOCOF will sponsor a Low Impact Marking Symposium on April 22, 2008 at Jungle Island in Miami, FL. The Symposium provides an opportunity to view new "low impact" marking products and discuss any issues. This event is the result of a cooperative effort among SSOCOF, City of Miami and Miami-Dade County, major public utilities, professional locating companies and professional excavator associations. It was planned after statewide reaction to the City of Miami's Legislative Resolution 07-00439 which seeks to amend the *Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety Act*, Chapter 556, Florida Statutes, require excavators to remove locate marks at a project's completion and establish a penalty for non-removal. Pre-registration is required. Visit www.callsunshine.com and click on "Low Impact Marking Symposium" underneath Hot Topics.

SSOCOF sponsors No Bull Rodeo Challenge for fourth year. The deadline for entry is April 21, 2008. We're looking for the "best of the best" locators to represent Florida in the International Locate Rodeo held in Georgia this August. If you know someone who locates underground facilities as a primary function of their job every day, is employed by an SSOCOF primary member or one of its locate contractors, or is an owner/employee of a private locating company that is an associate member of SSOCOF, tell them about our rodeo. Winners receive \$300 and up to \$1,000 in travel costs to the ILR. Visit www.callsunshine.com for details and registration.

SSOCOF will host a CGA Stakeholder Summit February 22, 2008 at the Clarion Inn University Mall in Pensacola. Visit www.callsunshine.com for a symposium flyer.

Golf tournament scheduled for May 16, 2008 at Victoria Hills Country Club in DeLand. Come play in Sunshine State One Call's annual golf tournament or sponsor the event and gain recognition! Visit www.callsunshine.com for flyer and registration form.

Positive response codes change. SSOCOF's Board of Directors approved several changes in positive response codes and their definitions at the January Board meeting. A complete list of codes will be sent to each member's ticket receiving location and posted on www.callsunshine.com.

Virtual Private DIRT. Reporting damages to underground facilities in Florida is easy with Virtual Private DIRT. Anyone in the industry can login to the system to report damages to underground facilities. Visit www.callsunshine.com and start reporting today.

Coming soon - mapping update for first quarter of 2008. Members, watch for more details on dates at www.callsunshine.com.

Coming soon - Irth Awareness. SSOCOF is currently in the testing phase of software application Irth Awareness, developed by Irth Solutions, to track public awareness, advertising and public relations programs. It features customizable categories and the ability to map your advertising and outreach efforts to determine exactly where your message appears and easily track costs associated with those efforts. Watch for more details at www.callsunshine.com.

Coming soon - online design tickets. Coming early in 2008, Internet Ticket Entry (ITE) users will be able to request design tickets online. If you're not already using ITE, sign up today so you're ready to go when this new feature is implemented. You will need to complete a training session before you can request design tickets online. For more information on ITE, visit www.callsunshine.com.

Coming soon – Call 811 Before You Dig Month in April. Governor Crist has proclaimed April as Call 811 Before You Dig month. Start promoting this campaign to your employees and industry associates.

INTEREST GROUP REPORTS

Power Interest Group – Winter Meeting 2008

Ocala

- Old City/County road projects
 - TECO asked for suggestions on how to handle old road projects that were certified and several years later the project changed without notifying the UAO and the city/county starts the project and will not allow the UAO sufficient time to redesign before construction starts.
 - TECO has asked the city/county for additional time for redesign similar to negotiating a new UWS.
- A UAO is being asked in District 2 to provide RGB mark-ups at 30% (Phase 1) plan stage with a cost estimate.
 - The group responded that only green-line mark-ups were necessary at the 30% (Phase 1) plan stage and a cost estimate was only needed if the UAO had compensable interests.
- A UAO has lighting issues in District 2 and the group provided guidance for the UAO on this issue.
- FPL discussed height issues with the design of the informational signs. A recent sign design put the sign at a height of 32' which requires the UAO to set much taller poles which impacts costs and maintenance of the facilities.
- The group came up with 4 topics for future educational seminars and gave them to Dennis LaBelle.
- We also discussed Transmission Clearances.
 - Specifically, how does the consultant know what info to put on plans when Transmission is crossing a road to help the Contractor be aware of height issues?
 - The UAO's discussed this topic and noted that it was not a good practice for the consultant to measure the height of the lines when designing the plans because weather & loading could affect the height of the lines.
- The group discussed OH to UG Conversions.
- 34 in Attendance
 - 20 – Electric representatives
 - 5 – DOT representatives
 - 1 – Communications representatives
 - 6 – Consultant representatives

- 2 – Other representatives

Telecommunications Group

Meeting Minutes

The FUCC Telecommunications Group meeting was held February 7th, 2008, at the Ocala Hilton at 3600 SW 36 Avenue, Ocala, Florida.

Chairman **Bob Lowen**, of AT&T, called the meeting to order with 30 people in attendance. He gave introductions and announced that the educational presentation for the summer meeting will be on Utility Coordination on a Texas project – more to come.

There was group discussion on the plain language initiative. There were some concerns regarding word changes.

A meeting will take place in Tampa at HDR (2202 West Shore Blvd., Suite 250, Tampa, FL 33607-5755) on Tuesday, March 18 at 9:00 am. We also have a bridge number for those that can't attend. (Bridge Number: 888-323-9686 and Passcode: 39295) to discuss how best to communicate earlier in rule making with FDOT and any concerns with the UAM second draft.

The industry would like to make UAM as clear as possible to minimize misinterpretation as new staff comes in and subject matter experts retire.

A suggestion was made to divide chapters, among utilities, comparing rewrites to the existing UAM.

Group discussion continued on having a Maintenance Office Managers Forum covering all 7 districts at an upcoming FUCC meeting.

Addressed in discussion was, rules/R.O.W. permitting differences between districts and between maintenance offices within a district. Bob Lowen will make a formal request to Tom Bane. If agreed upon, a sub-committee will be formed to look for common theme differences for discussion with the panel.

Considerable discussion was had on developer driven and P3 projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan Lantz
Co-Chair

UNDERGROUND INTEREST GROUP WINTER MEETING 2008

Attendance: 35-40

The meeting was called to order at 9:34, with Andrew Lund and Greg Jeffries acting as Co-Chairs. After a round of self-introductions, a handout was distributed and several topics contained therein were discussed.

First, there was a review of ongoing SSOFC efforts with regard to the City of Perry's recently adopted City Ordinance that permits them to charge for marking as required by Ch. 556. This threatens the very core of damage prevention in Florida, as a natural response of the excavating community would be to stop calling in tickets. Further, should the City's Ordinance be validated, other cities and municipalities are like to join in, further exacerbating the problem. After several meetings of their Legislative Committee and with the assistance of certain SSOFC members' legal departments, statutory language has been crafted. In short, it says no one will charge anyone for the marking required by 556 and/or excavator white-lining. Complete language attached under separate cover and available at <http://www.flsenate.gov/>, enter "573" in the Jump to Bill box at left. There was discussion of possible "loopholes" in the language, ie (how) are SUE companies protected, although most agreed that the "no person" language combined with the Ch 556 definition of "Person" closed that loophole. More importantly, the process is too far along to make any changes to the language.

Second, there was review of ongoing SSOFC efforts with regard to low impact marking. Specifically, they are addressing legislation recently proposed by the City of Miami that would require removal of One Call marks once the associated excavation activities are completed. Similar to Perry, this promises to increase the risk of excavation damage, as well as adding cost to the process and offering certain logistical challenges. For example, while chalk based paint would meet their requirements, it does not last the 30-day ticket life and washes away with the first rain. Certain water based paints last longer, around 21 days, but that too is short of the 30-day ticket life window. If the marks are gone prior to the 30-day ticket life, excavators could show up on a jobsite, see no marks, and falsely assume they are "clear." Such an assumption could be costly if not deadly. SSOFC sent a letter to the Mayor asking them to reconsider their position, and it appears early response is favorable. A Low Impact Marking Symposium will be held at Parrot Jungle in the Miami area on April 22, 2008 from 8:30am – 1:30pm. Lunch will be provided, all are welcome to attend, and the City has stated intentions to be there. For more information contact Cheryl Ritter (cheryl.ritter@mail.callsunshine.com) or your local SSOFC Liaison.

The session closed out with a discussion of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Report Card for America's Infrastructure. While a handout was also planned for this topic, Kinkos thwarted that by stapling all the packages incorrectly. 10 of page 1, 10 of page 2, etc. The full report can be obtained here:

<http://www.asce.org/reportcard/2005/index.cfm>

Issued in 2005 and due up for revision soon, the Report Card casts a dismal picture of the state of America's infrastructure, breaking their analysis down by categories. The "underground" categories averaged worse than a "D," with an estimated investment need of 1.6 trillion to bring ALL the nation's infrastructure to a good condition. For Florida (<http://www.asce.org/reportcard/2005/page.cfm?id=49>), 364 million gallons of drinking water a day are lost due to leaking pipes and our drinking water infrastructure needs \$3.7 billion over the next 20 years. Wastewater comes in at close to \$10 billion. It was not all downside though, as the Report also outlined several Federal funding initiatives being implemented to meet these needs.

Lastly, the group discussed possible educational topics for the Marco Annual Meeting, arriving at two "possibles." First, a "go deep" theme...why do it? How to do it right? HDD best practices? The implications and repercussions, etc. Second, a more complete and comprehensive presentation from ASCE including but not limited to the Report Card.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:25 am.

STEERING COMMITTEE Gary Monday - Chairman

Gary Monday conducted the Steering Committee Meeting; there were 15 present at the meeting. The following topics were discussed at this meeting.

1. Changes in the By-laws were approved by vote of the membership at the Fall Meeting 2007.
2. The Strategic Planning Committee's initiative from 2007 is to focus on Education in 2008. Working on getting the U.C.C. information and availability out to the Local Utility Groups. The U.C.C.'s will not be held in conjunction with the F.U.C.C. meetings.
3. Dennis La Belle needs help from the sub committees for future workshops and presentations. He is requesting input from the sub committees as to what they want to see for workshops.
4. During the open forum, Gary Monday requested the open positions on the Steering committee be filled. Also addressed adding surveyor as a standing member on the committee. Louise Horn made a motion to add to committee and Bryan Lantz seconded the motion. Motion was passed. Louise Horn was voted in to fill the position to represent the surveyors. Joe Sanchez was added as member pro-temp to represent the Gas Industry. This fills the open slots on the Steering Committee.
5. Tom Bane – FDOT wants to change how they deal with utilities. The FDOT would like the FUCC to work with the department like the FES does. Tom would like industry more in tune with proposed changes before they become rule. He is speaking over and above the U.A.M. subcommittee. The U.A.M. sub committee has addressed this and resolution is in the U.A.M. sub committee report.
6. T.K. Christie requested the web site to update names of people on the committees.
7. Dennis La Belle is working on future locations for meetings. Fall 2008 meeting looks like Cocoa Beach. Still searching for site for the Winter 2009 meeting. It is getting more difficult as the hotels
Have to be "green" certified for the FDOT to attend. They have to either be submitted for or approved as Green. The other problem is getting people to stay at the hotel to keep costs down.

Adjourned at 4:10 PM

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

U.A.M. Committee Meeting Ocala, Fla. February 7, 2008.

There were 40 in attendance.

Tom Bane, F.D.O.T. Utility Engineer, explained the U.A.M. approval process. He showed the committee his web site and how to find information related to proposed changes from modifications, to interim standards and to approved standards. Tom announced Rule 14-16 (utility installation and adjustment) became effective January 24, 2008, the 2007 U.A.M. became effective January 24, 2008, and the utility forms 710-010-05 (Utility work schedule, Exceptions, and permits) became effective January 24, 2008.

Tom also showed the Committee the second draft of the U.A.M. re-write. He requested all comments be funneled through the U.A.M. Committee to the F.D.O.T., however, comments can also be e-mailed to him. A U.A.M. task team was formed to address issues submitted by the F.D.O.T. between the F.U.C.C. quarterly meetings and report back to the U.A.M. Committee. The task team met and scheduled its 1st meeting to

review the second draft of the U.A.M. re-write. The meeting will be held March 19, 2008, at the HDR office in Tampa, hosted by Mike Clark. Embarq will provide a call in bridge for those who cannot attend in person. The Committee recommended an educational program put on by the F.D.O.T. to detail the Organization, the Rules, and the Standards processes.

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Joint Use - Winter Meeting Feb. 07, 2008.

- The Joint Use met on Feb 07 th 2008 and had 12 people in Attendance
- We had a discussion on Pole Hardening and Henry from Embark discussed plans and options by the PSC, FPL was installing larger cables, adding guys, undergrounding and more pole inspections
- Discussion on pole notifications not given enough time to schedule work out
- Discussion on tickets to transfer poles and not identifying the correct person to get work done
- We talked about using GIS of pole lines for Inspection and checking for accounting purposes
- We discussed unknown utilities owners on poles lines and problems getting work done for transfers
- We had a discussion on requests for transfers on some jobs taking to long from FDOT or not getting done
- The group worked and discussed 5 different options for the Education Program in Marco:
- We discussed the tagging of poles or clamps on cables or some kind of color coding system to identify users
- We talked about coordination of information on a GIS system for everyone for emergencies , companies , and standards
- The group discussed the FCC gathering information on pole rates, and industry rates

Recommend to have a presentation from Roy Beavers on the new uses of NJUNS and future possibilities. The industry could do more with this tool and improve the process.

E-BUSINESS / WEB PAGE – John Murphy

The web site is getting more user friendly. Working on updating member information.

MEMBERSHIP John Pugh –Chair

No Report

CONFERENCE PLANNING Dennis La Belle –Chair

The Spring 2008 meeting will be at the Key Largo Grande in Key Largo. There will be a workshop on CSX Rail Road permitting and a presentation on environmental impacts.

The Summer 2008 meeting will be at Marco Island. This will be joint with the TRB Utilities Committee with up-dates on National Research Presentations. Also, SHRP II up-dates on research projects.

The Fall 2008 meeting will be held at the Cocoa Beach Hilton.

The Winter 2009 meeting will be at the Ocala Hilton.

BANQUET COMMITTEE – Marilyn Pineau - Chair

The theme for the Summer 2008 meeting banquet will be Around the World in 76 Years .

AWARD COMMITTEE-- More details to come at next meeting. Just a reminder, all past recipients of FUCC Awards are members of this committee.

Strategic Planning Sub Committee- Jan Ash- Chair

No report.

Utility Coordination Certification

Dennis La Belle gave the following update:

1. Cost Estimating and Billing module is completed and ready to present. Timeframe – End of month.
2. Coordination Module is in final rough draft form. Need reviewers. Timeframe – Pilot by March/April and formal presentation in May/June.
3. Design module consists of 2 sections – Plans Reading and Design. The Plans Reading section pilot is completed and the revision will be completed March/April. Revision is to add some additional material. The Design section is being developed and will be a 2 day class. It is very comprehensive. Timeframe – Draft should be ready for Spring meeting and the pilot at the Summer meeting.
4. Construction Module is in very rough draft format. The agenda is being developed. Timeframe – TBA.

BUSINESS MEETING – New Business

Paul Scott gave a TRB report.

Dennis La Belle needs input on how soon industry needs the future meeting notices for travel approval.

Shirts – Dennis is sending out the order form. You can either send the order to Dennis or bring to the next meeting.

The Spring meeting will be held at the Key Largo Grande Resort (formally Sheraton)

We encourage everyone to register on-line early to get hotel reservations

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 10:50 am, to reconvene on May 2, 2008

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