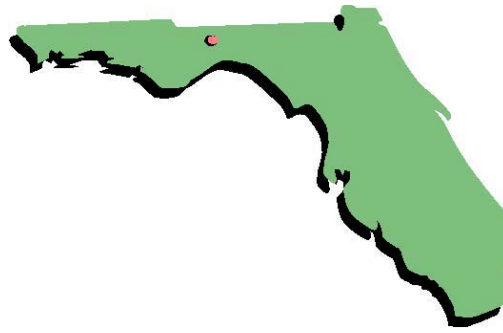


SUMMER MEETING – AUGUST 3-6, 2010 MARCO ISLAND, FLORIDA



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FUCC MEETING PRESENTATION

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSIONS

August 4, 2010 8:00 A.M.

CenturyLink Meeting

Design Build Meeting

Permitting Meeting

UCC Meeting

Railroad Meeting

FUCC MEETING PRESENTATION

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Wednesday, August 4, 2010 at 2:00 P.M.

Chairman Don Anthony opened the afternoon session by welcoming everyone. The Chairman announced that the Steering Committee Meeting will be held immediately after the end of this session. Chairman also announced the Meet and Greet will be held at 5:00pm in Room 1103.

Chairman Don Anthony then introduced the presenter for today's "FUCC Educational

Workshop” afternoon session which was Tom Bane from Central Office.

This session was on the 2010 UAM Exception Process. The power point should be on our website for downloading.

Tim Brock from District 4 wrapped up the afternoon session with a solicitation of ideas for the Panel Discussion that will be held as a Workshop at an upcoming future meeting.

Chairman Don Anthony announced the conclusion of the afternoon session at 3:45pm.

He also reminded everyone of the “Meet the Presenters” meeting.

FUCC INTEREST/SUBCOMMITTEE GROUPS MEETINGS

Thursday, August 5, 2010 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Joint Use Committee

UAM Committee

Conflict Matrix Committee

Power Interest Group

Underground Interest Group

Telecommunication Interest Group

FUCC MEETING PRESENTATION

Thursday, August 5, 2010 at 11:00 AM

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

FDOT Forum – Tom Bane

Tom Bane opened the Forum at 11:15 AM and introduced the DOT Forum Panel. Tom Bane opened the floor the comments and questions.

Gordon Wheeler spoke about the High Speed Rail Project. (www.highspeedrail.org)

The project will be design build.

Reimbursement for utility relocation is being looked at because Federal Rail has different policies and funding sources than FHWA has.

Some funding is coming from private public partnerships (P-3).

A suggestion came from the group to ask DOT to modernize the CADD standards & PPM for Utility Adjustment Sheets. Tom Bane asked for an email request from the industry to get the ball rolling. Additional text can be added to the initials but it’s not a standard.

FDOT Forum ended at 11:35 AM and group adjourned for lunch.

Chairman Don Anthony opened the afternoon session at 1:00 PM and thanked the FUCC planners Dennis and Margie Labelle. The Chairman made a few announcements and Gary Monday did a door prize.

The Chairman introduced session monitor Wayne Guido with DRMP which the Telecommunications Group Chairman for the Combined Interest Group Afternoon Session.

Mr. Guido introduced Michael Orcino, PE with 3-E Consultants. This presentation was titled, “UG Utilities: How they are impacted by Hazardous Waste on Construction Sites”.

The next presentation was presented by Paul Jones with UC/Synergetics and it was on Smart Grid and was titled, "New Power Smart Grid System".

Chairman Don Anthony adjourned the group for a 15 minute break in the Vendor Display Area.

The next session monitor was Deb Corbin with the Telecommunication interest group and she introduced Gary Monday with Ash Engineering, Ron Popp with CenturyLink, and Steve McLaughlin with MacDriller. They collectively did a presentation titled, "Utility Joint Bore, (HDD) Horizontal Directional Drilling".

To wrap up this afternoon session, Mark Porter with Wilbur Smith did a quick presentation regarding the early utility coordination of the High Speed Rail Project.

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Vice Chairman, Juan J. Lopez opened the meeting at 4:00pm and welcomed everyone in attendance on Wednesday, August 4, 2010.

There were 8 main topics of discussion.

- Discussion about the new committee formed which joined the two groups of Joint Use and NJUNS. The chairman, John Pugh is going to come up with a new name for this committee after discussions with its members. One of the names being considered is "Joint Use Notification Group".
- Discussion about FUCC becoming the "Administrator" for continuing education units (CEU) courses for Professional Engineers. The concept is that if FUCC offers these courses, Professional Engineers would attend FUCC meetings to gain CEU credits. The steering committee had previously voted to expend the \$250 application fee. Vinnie LaVallette stated that as soon as she receives funds from sponsors, she will write the check for the application fee.
- Discussion about asking Tom Bane when and how quickly can he get a training plan together on the 2010 UAM to all FDOT and DUE's. Tom Bane has committed on training his people but the question remains when? Suggestions were made for the training to be done at one of the FUCC Meetings so others could also attend.
- Recommendations were made for the new secretary of the FUCC, 2010-2011 year. After a motion was made, seconded, and a unanimous vote, Joe Sanchez with Florida Gas Transmission was chosen by the Steering Committee as the nominee to be voted at Friday's Business Meeting.
- Discussion about how our Treasurer needs assistance. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimous vote to create a new Finance Subcommittee. This subcommittee will be responsible for assisting the Treasurer with the financial duties of the organization. It's function is also to pursue sponsors, vendors, displays, and to make recommendations for expenditures and how to generate additional funds. This subcommittee is to assist and receive direction from the Treasurer.
- Discussion on how our membership subcommittee has been dormant for a while and a need to revive it. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimous vote to re-establish the membership committee. Discussion about how our Program Planning needs assistance. This subcommittee will be responsible for assisting the Program Planner with new presentations, seek topics for presentations, assisting with conference planning, and helping others with the logistics of the meeting rooms and bringing the presenters to the meetings. This subcommittee is to receive direction from the Program Planner.
- Discussion on how to promote the FUCC. Some suggestions were made to send letters with brochures to upper management "CEO's" of companies that promote the benefits of

attending Fucc meetings and the value added to their organization. Also to promote the Fucc through the local UCC meetings, Contractor organizations, Vendor organizations, and government agencies.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm.

FUCC BUSINESS MEETING

Friday, May 7, 2010

Chairman Don Anthony called the meeting to order at 8:06 A.M on Friday, August 6, 2010. The Chairman welcomed everyone and gave his opening remarks. The Chairman introduced Jerrold Whit, who gave the Invocation followed by the Tribute to the Flag. The Chairman introduced the officers, Juan J. Lopez, Vice Chairman, T.K. Christie, Secretary, Vinnie Lavallette, Treasurer and Tom Duggar, Historian who could not attend. The Chairman introduced Secretary T.K. Christie for the reading of the minutes.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – T.K. Christie reported that the minutes from the Spring Meeting in Port Canaveral, are currently posted on the Fucc web site. T.K. Christie read the minutes and a motion was made and seconded by the group to approve the minutes as posted and to waive the reading of the Secretary's Minutes. They were approved as written. The group was reminded to submit their subcommittee reports to the Secretary at t.k.christie@pgnmail.com as soon as possible and to write them in layman's terms so that they can be more understandable to others that may not be as familiar with the terminology used by their committees. The group was reminded of the E-mail Group for 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>.

FLORIDA UTILITIES COORDINATING COMMITTEE HISTORIAN'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 6, 2010

No Historian report was given or reported.

Treasurers Report

No Treasurer report has been given for quite a while.

Beginning Balance as of 9-30-09	\$ 9,583.60
Deposits made since 9-30-09	\$ 2,813.60
<u>Income</u>	
Booth Rentals	2 at \$ 250

Pre- Registration	65 at \$ 50 each
On site	7 at \$ 60 each
On site	3 at \$ 50 each
Comp	3 at \$ 0.0 each
WS	2 at \$ 30 each

\$ 4,380.00

Expenses

Acteva fees	7 at \$ 60 each
Hotel fee	\$ 3,372.43
Gratuity	\$ 20.00
Door Prizes	\$ 115.00
Meet the Presenters	\$ 422.19
Planner Fees & Supplies	\$ 2,050.00

\$ 6,181.12

Ending Balance

\$

14,976.08

It is very important to the Fucc that everyone resister via ACTEVA. Search word is "Fucc." When you reach the site, there will be fours 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. Vinnie also suggested that anyone having trouble with the web site can simply send her a check for registration.

Sunshine One Call Report



Summary of Legislative Changes

Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety Act, Chapter 556, F.S.
Changes Effective October 1, 2010

556.101 Short Title: legislative intent. –

s.556.101(3)(d) Prevents local governments from adopting or enforcing ordinances that regulate underground facility markings such as linking the permitting process to underground facility identification, requiring premarking or marking, specifying paint types or other marking devices, or requiring marks removal.

Impact

- Promotes consistency of underground facility marking throughout Florida's 67 counties.

- Eliminates any confusion over marking requirements for utility operators and excavators that operate in numerous counties.

556.105 Procedures. –

s.556.105(11) Requires underwater facilities to be marked and documented.

Because underwater locates are cost- and time-consuming, documentation provided in addition to the underwater locate could serve as a backup form of underwater facility identification in the event the original underwater locates are removed or no longer visible. Note: At this time, adequate documentation parameters have not been defined and are up to the individual member operator's discretion.

556.110 Costs assessed among member operators. –

s. 556.110 Removes the monthly payment exemption for members that receive fewer than 10 notifications in one month.

Impact

SSOCOF no longer bills on a per-notification basis and has changed to an assessment billing method based on the activity (ticket volume) in the territory of each member for the preceding year.

556.107 Violations. –

1. s. 556.107(1)(c) Raises the minimum fine from \$250 to \$500 for all citable violations of Chapter 556, F.S.

Impact

- Potential increase in citations written for violating Chapter 556, F.S. The higher penalty will help local governments recover any costs associated with enforcing the law.
 - The higher amount will hopefully promote greater compliance with the law.
2. s. 556.107(1)(a)6 and s. 556.109(2) Creates a non-criminal violation for requesting emergency locate tickets for non-emergency situations. An emergency situation is defined by s.556.109, F.S. as any condition constituting a clear and present danger to life or property; a situation caused by the escape of any substance transported by means of an underground facility; any interruption of vital public service or communication caused by any break or defect in a member's underground facility; or any impairment of public roads or utilities that requires immediate repair, as determined by FDOT or another affected political subdivision.

Impact

- The only time an emergency ticket is to be requested is when there is an emergency, as defined above. Not wanting to wait two full business days for marking is not an emergency.
- During the locate ticket process, a caller is required to answer six questions to verify the emergency. If a caller cannot answer yes to one or all of the questions but still insists on an emergency ticket, the caller could be cited for falsely requesting an emergency ticket.
- Excavators that damage an underground facility and create an emergency situation, as defined above, should cease excavation and notify the member directly. The member operator is then required to send personnel to the site to effect temporary or permanent repairs of the contact or damage. The member operator may, but is not required to obtain, an emergency ticket before repairing the damage.
- Reduce costs for members that choose to respond immediately to emergency tickets received after hours and on weekends.

3. s.556.107(1)(a) Creates a non-criminal violation for failure to follow the low impact marking practices outlined in s. 556.114(1), (2), (3) and (4).
4. s.556.107(1)(d) Eliminates the ability of enforcement personnel to require a court appearance for a non-criminal infraction violator.

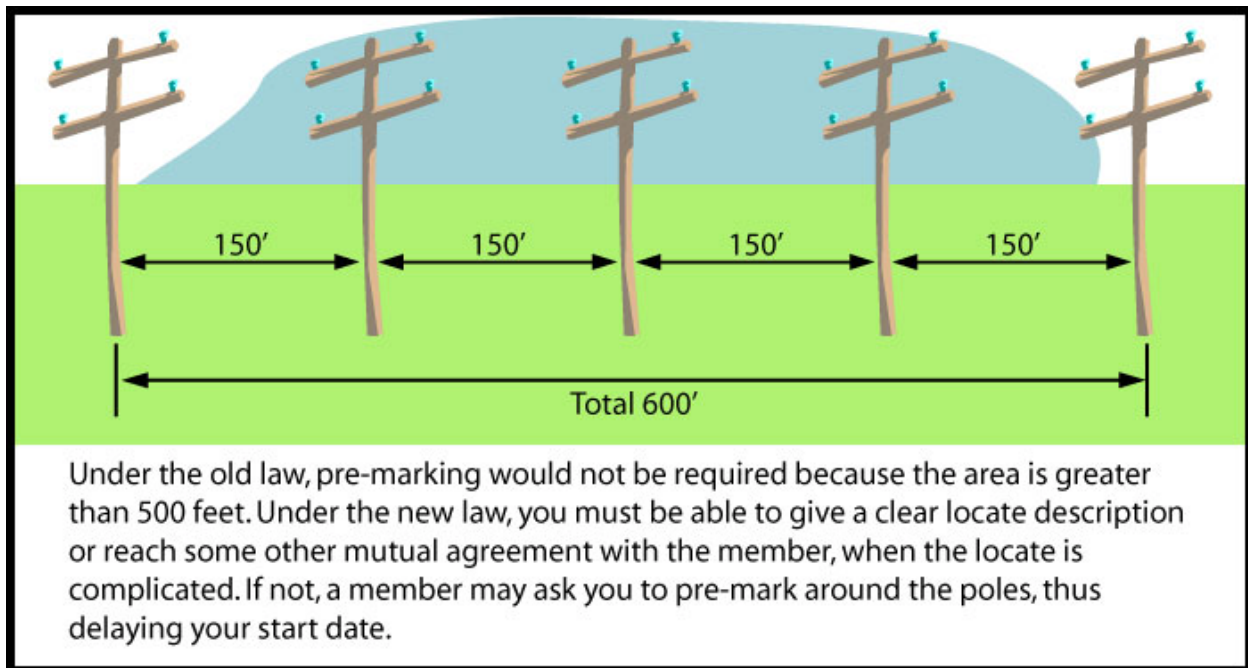
556.114 Low-impact marking practices. –

s.556.114(3) and (4) Establishes low impact marking practices for excavators and member operators. The sections replace s. 556.105(5)(a), F.S. related to premarking.

- Excavator Low Impact marking guidelines
 - Locate ticket requests should cover only those portions of a job site where digging will occur within 30 calendar days of the date the ticket is requested.
 - When renewing tickets for jobs lasting longer than 30 calendar days, identify only the areas where excavation will occur (i.e. eliminate any areas where digging is complete).
 - Difficult-to-explain dig sites should be pre-marked if the excavator and member have not mutually agreed otherwise.
 - Acceptable marking products for excavators to pre-mark a job site: flags, stakes,
- Member Low Impact marking guidelines
 - All locate marks must be in the color identified for each utility.
 - Acceptable marking products to identify facilities: flags, stakes, temporary, non-permanent paint, other industry accepted low-impact marking practices.

Impact

- Low impact marking guidelines are designed to reduce the amount of locate marks at dig sites by requiring a more efficient locate ticket.
- Temporary, non-permanent marking paint will shorten the lifespan of marks.
- Excavators will need to plan ahead and determine how much excavation can be done within the 30-day ticket life.
- Simply renewing a locate ticket will not suffice any longer. Excavators who use office staff to renew tickets may need to change procedures. For instance, staff should contact the excavator to confirm whether the ticket should be renewed and clarify what portion of the ticket remains to be excavated.
- Reduced locating time.
- The 500-foot limitation for premarking a job site has been eliminated. See diagram below.



New Section 556.115 Alternative dispute resolution. –

Creates a voluntary alternative dispute resolution process (arbitration) to settle disputes relating to damage to an underground facility and the consequences of that damage. Arbitration is open to anyone involved in the incident.

SSOCOF has developed parameters for an arbitration process that involves the Department of Administrative Hearings. Release of the procedures is pending Board approval at its August 20th meeting.

New Section 556.116 High-priority subsurface installations; special procedures. –

Creates a new process for responding to serious incidents involving underground transmission or distribution pipelines used to transport any refined petroleum product or hazardous/highly volatile liquid such as anhydrous ammonia or carbon dioxide, if the facility is deemed to be critical by the member operators of the pipeline and is identified as a high priority subsurface installation.

SSOCOF has developed a set of procedures and reporting process for incidents involving high-priority subsurface installations. Release of this information is pending Board approval at its August 20th meeting.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

District One – Walt Childs, District Utility Administrator

We continue to have our regular local group meetings every month where we hand out the work program. Our next District Liaison Conference will be held in October at the District Headquarters in Bartow. The exact date for this meeting will be determined in the near future.

District Two - No report given or received.

District Three - No report given or received.

District Four – Tim Brock, District Utility Engineer

We continue to follow Rocky's lead on electronic updates on the production and letting for our 5 year work program. Construction updates are available upon request. Ft. Lauderdale/Hollywood International airport run way expansion also known as 9R-27L is moving forward, very fast. It is a Broward County project with FDOT assistance. The RFQ are in, Short List by October, Award by late Jan/Feb, and NTP by May/June.

District Five – Ty Garner, District Utility Administrator

Annual Liaison Conference was held in June at the Turnpike Office at the Turkey Lake Service Plaza and had a great showing with 160 in attendance. Based on comments, will go back to Turnpike for next year's meeting. Work program for design projects are down. Most of what we have are RRR and Safety projects. We are looking at some of the projects we have on the shelf to see what we have that can be ready in 4 months if money come down (not design build). If we decide to go design/bid/build we would need to get UWS's, so we are looking closely at the projects to pick good ones.

District Six – No report given or received.

District Seven – David Summers, PBS&J on behalf of the District

Work program is small, Local Meetings going on and they pass out reports. Next coordination meeting will be held in Sept/Oct. Sidewalks are being added to resurfacing projects.

FDOT Central Office- Tom Bane

UAM and Rule 14-46 is going to rule making soon and encouraged everyone interested to go to the Administrative Weekly and read it. Call Tom Bane if any changes are needed. DOT formed a new District and it is called the Rail Enterprise.

TURNPIKE ENTERPRISE DISTRICT – Jim Kervin, Turnpike Utility Engineer

Jim Kervin provided project updates on some of the major projects.

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FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE ENTERPRISE PROJECT UPDATE

Central Florida Projects

FPID 422330-1: This project will widen the Beachline (SR 528) in Orange County from 4 to 6 lanes from the Turnpike Interchange to Boggy Creek Road. Construction is complete.

FPID 406146-1: This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 4 to 8 lanes from Beulah Road to SR 50, approximately 4 miles, in Orange County. Construction began early 2009. Anticipated construction completion is in 2012.

FPID 406148-1: This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 4 to 8 lanes from I-4 to Gotha Road in Orange County for approximately 4 miles. Construction is underway. Anticipated construction completion is Fall 2010.

FPID 406148-3: This project will widen the Turnpike mainline from 4 to 8 lanes from Gotha Road to Beulah Road in Orange County. Construction is underway. Anticipated construction completion is Fall 2010.

FPID 423202-1/423203-1/423203-3: This project includes resurfacing of the SR 417 (Southern Connector) and Design Criteria Upgrades from MP 0.5 to MP 5.8 in Orange and Osceola Counties. Design is underway. Construction start is anticipated for late 2010.

FPID 421203-1: This project entails bridge painting of two SR 417 (Southern Connector) bridges over US 192 (International Drive) in Osceola County. Design is underway. The project is anticipated to let in July 2010.

South Florida Projects

FPID 419331-1: This project is part of the Turnpike's continuing Canal Protection Program consisting of installation of roadside barriers in areas of water hazards in Indian River County. It is anticipated to let in July 2010.

FPID 406144-4: This project includes the upgrade of the Florida Turnpike at the Lake Worth Road Interchange in Palm Beach County. Construction is underway. Anticipated construction completion is Summer 2011.

FPID 406095-8: This project is the resurfacing of the Turnpike Mainline from Miramar Parkway to Griffin Road in Broward County. Design is complete. It is anticipated to let in Oct. 2010.

FPID 406094-1: This project will widen the *southbound* lanes of the Turnpike Mainline from 3 to 4 lanes from Griffin Road to Sunrise Blvd. in Broward County. Construction is complete.

FPID 406097-1: This project will widen the *southbound* lanes of the Turnpike Mainline from 3 to 4 lanes from Sunrise Blvd. to Atlantic Blvd. in Broward County. Construction is complete.

FPID 406094-4: This project will widen the *northbound* lanes of the Turnpike Mainline from 3 to 4 lanes from Peters Rd. to Sunrise Blvd. in Broward County. Construction began September 2009.

FPID 406097-4: This project will widen the *northbound* lanes of the Turnpike Mainline from 3 to 4 lanes from Sunrise Blvd. to Atlantic Blvd. in Broward County. Construction is underway.

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 includes additional toll plaza lanes with Sunpass Express Lanes at the existing Okeechobee Mainline Plaza. Construction is complete.

FPID 423204-1: The project includes resurfacing of the Turnpike's Miami-Dade Spur from MP 0.4 to 3.3. Design is complete. It is anticipated to let in February 2011.

Florida Turnpike Utility Staff
James G. Kervin, Turnpike Utility Administrator/Project Manager
Lawrence R. Hayduk, Turnpike Utility Manager/Rail Manager



Chairman Don Anthony announced that Ray Rayburn passed away recently.

Chairman Don Anthony congratulated Tim Brock for the John Farkas Award and David Kuhlman for the Malcolm Yancey Award at the Banquet Thursday night.

Chairman Don Anthony introduced Bo Sanchez, VP – Sr Program Manager, Florida Turnpike Enterprise/PBS&J. His presentation was titled, “What is Open Road Tolling?”.

Chairman Don Anthony asked for first time attendees for feedback on how the FUCC can improve and what we are doing right or wrong.

10 minute Break.

FUCC INTEREST GROUP REPORTS

- **Power Interest Group – T.K. Christie**

22 in attendance with 14 power, 3 DOT, 1 Communications and 4 Consultants.

Welcome and Introductions.

At the Spring Meeting, there was a question regarding Blind Subordinations. Walt Childs with District 1 said that districts vary on this issue but D-1 will not require utilities to subordinate for projects that are not funded for construction. However, D-4 will require subordinations.

Dave Kuhlman provided a FCG_TAC update regarding a workshop scheduled in Tallahassee to discuss the 30 day notice provision in statute 337.403.

A utility has been incurring issues on zero day UWS's and constructability issues arise in construction and asked others how they mitigate these risks? There was a suggestion to include constructability provisions in the UWS and Special Conditions and add potential days to the UWS. A recommendation was given to include the below language on projects where low profiling may be required.

The contractor shall anticipate the need for low profile or other special equipment due to the proximity of the overhead electrical lines. This work may include, but is not limited to: (*Project specific items* - E.g. - All bridge construction, including drilled shafts, deck work, overhead sign structures) The contractor shall meet all applicable OSHA requirements and shall submit to the Department a plan for determining the restricted areas, (*Project specific items* – e.g. mechanical splices will be required for the drilled shaft reinforcing steel cages with the contractor is to determine the length between splices.) **Overhead lines shall remain in place both vertically and horizontally. Any additional costs associated with the above stipulations will be incidental and included in the associated pay items.**

Adam Padgett with Tampa Electric was nominated as next year's Power Interest Group Chairman. There was a motion made, seconded, and unanimous vote was passed.

There was a question from the group if a utility has had a county/city project that is widening a DOT R/W and if so, did the utility receive reimbursement? FHWA has guidelines regarding these LAP projects. In short, they are not reimbursable unless the utility has a compensable interest. These guidelines are on Section 645 on Publication number: FHWA-IF-03-014.

- **Telecommunications Interest Group – Deb Corbin**

Meeting opened at 9:40AM

Chaired by: Deb Corbin

Secretary: Peter Keel

Introductions: Utilities: 13
Consultants: 6
FDOT: 1

Total attendance: 20 (attendance roster attached)

Discussion Topics:

1. Topic for Telecommunications Education Seminar being held later today:

“Joint Bore – situations & resolutions”. Utility joint boring; Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD), will be presented / discussed by members Gary Monday, Ron Popp and Steve McLaughlin.

Discussion topics will include:

- Benefits of joint utility bores
- Challenges of directional drilling
- As-built process
- Managed billing
- Reduced design costs
- Permit application submission and reduced permit costs

The presentation will be 45 – 60 minutes in duration.

2. Plain Language UAM (PLUAM) status:

Current draft of the rewrite has been sent to FDOT Legal. Most issues of concern have been resolved. The ones resolved and the one NOT resolved, previously discussed in our meetings are listed below. The current UAM is approximately 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ ” thick. After the rewrite, the revised UAM will be approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ ” thick – 25 pages. Once approved, training on the UAM can take place. The DOT will set up training for all their maintenance offices to ensure consistency regarding the interpretation of the Plain Language Utility Accommodations Manual (PLUAM). The DOT may train Utilities, possibly at an FUCC meeting. DOT may also post training aids on their website. Utilities can then train their personnel locally. NO training should take place until the PLUAM is adopted.

Following are some of the issues that have been resolved:

Issues associated with sections: 4.3.11 “Open Trench Installations” and “Trenchless Installations”.

Examples include:

- i. (4.3.11.1) The statement: “A depth equal to Ten (10) times the reamer diameter measured from the top of pavement to the top of the reamer.”

This has been changed to read “When using directional boring methods to install utilities under roadway pavement with reamer sizes of eight inches (8”) or more...the UAO shall maintain a depth equal to ten (10) times the reamer diameter...”.

Issues associated with sections: 3.3.2 “Work Constraints”

Examples include:

Sidewalk removal

- ii. Ability to Remove and Replace up to two panels or 10 linear feet of sidewalk without prior permitting.

This item has been incorporated into the PLUAM rewrite.

48 hours notification

- iii. A provision allowing utilities to perform “short duration” work (under two hours) without a permit or 48 hour notification requirements. Example: Changing street lamps, or when corrective action needs to be performed during routine maintenance that extends onto the FDOT ROW.

This item has been incorporated into the PLUAM rewrite.

The following issue was discussed by the FDOT and the PLUAM rewrite subcommittee, but not resolved:

Issue associated with section: 3.3.1 "Work Types"

Paralleling in the ROW

- iv. Allowing buried service lines to be placed parallel in the Rights-of-Way for a short distance (maximum 500') without prior permitting or pre-notification.

Although not resolved, the FDOT is considering a trial regarding this issue in District 7 (D7) after approval of the PLUAM. Concerns of the FDOT are not knowing where the utilities facilities are placed, causing future project conflicts.

The 2010 UAM Plain Language / Rewrite process is coming to a close. It was suggested that the UAM subcommittee be downsized to a group of core members so that the remaining members can participate on other subcommittees, and that after the PLUAM is adopted, the UAM subcommittee be dissolved. Bryan Lantz, member of the Telecommunications Interest Group and chairman of the UAM subcommittee, will bring this issue up at the Steering Committee meeting that will be held later during this conference.

3. Electronic Permitting:

- v. Henry Bowlin stated that this issue was discussed during his Permitting Subcommittee meeting. He said that a letter to be sent to the FDOT, recommending an electronic permit filing/tracking process has been drafted. The letter will be reviewed and sent to Tim Latner at the FDOT through the FUCC organization.
- vi. PLUAM states that a company representative can sign a permit; it does not have to be a pre-designated individual.
- vii. There is concern that in District 1 (D1), traffic studies with electronic road signs are being requested on permits requiring a lane closure – causing delays of up to 2 weeks. This process change was made without prior notification or consultation with utilities.

What Rule / DOT Standard covers this? Could the need for a lane closure requiring a traffic study be handled as a special condition depending on the situation?

Concerns regarding traffic studies have been noted and sent to Tim Latner at the FDOT by Verizon and Progress Energy. It was recommended that if an unfavorable response is received, a letter addressing this concern be sent to the FDOT through the FUCC organization.

- Feedback from the FDOT's permitting Quality Audit Review (QAR) revealed that approximately 80% of permits submitted required special conditions, and that approximately 40% contradicted the current UAM. Hopefully, results of the QAR will lead to improved and consistent interpretation of the UAM between the Maintenance Offices and Districts.

4. Open Forum Discussion:

- Greg Schmid was nominated to serve as the groups Chairman for the upcoming year.
 - A motion was made to have bylaws changed to reflect Chairmanship being a two year position.
- Jim Farrell, AT&T, brought up an issue he was having regarding surcharging and settlement due to muck encroaching from nearby wetlands and the effect it may have on

his duct systems. Due to him not being able to relocate the systems, it was suggested that a temporary support system be used (possibly using poles) to support the system during de-mucking process.

- Discussed issues regarding short project notifications (various reasons: stimulus, redistribution of stimulus funds, drop-ins, etc...). It was discussed that these issues need to be addressed and worked out with the issuing agency.
- Broadband Deployment: Henry Bowlin stated that federal stimulus money was being disbursed but that the "rules" defining this deployment have not been established / passed / issued.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20AM
Meeting minutes prepared by: Peter Keel

- **Underground Interest Group – Wayne Guido**

Meeting started at 9:45am and ended at 11:00 am

There were 18 people in attendance. (8 Consultants, 2 FDOT, 6 Utility, 2 SSOCOF)

Wayne Guido (Chair) opened the meeting by requesting for nominees to be Chair and Co-Chair of the Underground Interest Group. No one was nominated however Marcel Diaz, Hillsborough County, came up after the meeting and requested to be CO-Chair next year.

Cheryl Ritter with Sunshine State One Call of Florida (SSOCOF) proceeded to give an informative report on the One Call happenings. Highlighted are as follows:

- New Legislation will go into effect October 10, 2010
 - Handouts offering a synopsis of each change can be downloaded from the SSOCOF website
 - Liaison training will start in September after the board meeting August 18th through the 20th on Strategic Planning
- Cheryl (SSOCOF) encouraged everyone to get the Excavator's Safety Guide and directory from the on-line store

Cheryl (SSOCOF) then began a review of the new provisions on the handout directing our attention to the new s.556.101 (3) (d) provision preventing local governments from adopting or enforcing ordinances that regulate underground facility markings and provision s. 556.105 (11) requiring underwater facilities be marked and documented.

Patrick Foster with Progress Energy and involved in writing the new law assisted Cheryl by discussing the need for sub-aqueous locates due to directional boring, bridge replacements and canal dredging. In the discussion GPS ordinances were used to identify the location of sub-aqueous utilities and marine contractors were targeted.

Discussions then occurred about the increased cost assessments in the new legislation and are highlighted as follows.

- Violation fines increased and will be assessed at a rate of \$250.00 to \$500.00 depending on the severity of the violation
- Non-Emergencies are now citable
- High Priority violations (mainly gas lines) could be accessed up to \$50,000.00 and new codes will be developed to track tickets submitted to SSOCOF

Low impact paint practices also were discussed and Arthur Coello of EZ-paint has developed chalk based paint which dissolves easily. He can be reached at Arthur@ez-paint.com

Further, alternative dispute resolution was discussed and is in the new provisions to the One call law listed as section 556.115.

- Arbitration will be open to anyone involved in the incident

- The Department of administrative Hearings will be used as the arbitrator
- The SSOCOF has developed parameters for the arbitration process

The floor was then opened by Mr. Guido (Chair) for discussions on issues involving attendees.

- The 3F code (Used by contract locators to clear tickets) was addressed by Cheryl Ritter (SSOCOF) and example tickets submitted by Mr. Guido and Dawn Knight were registered as complaints and will be addressed by the SSOCOF in the August meeting as part of the agenda
- Steve McLaughlin (Mcdriller, Inc.) wanted to re-discuss sub-aqueous locates and the need for them to be defined by the SSOCOF which was agreed to by Cheryl Ritter.

The meeting was then brought to a close at 11:00 am.

Submitted by:

Wayne A. Guido Sr – Underground Interest Group Chair

FUCC SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

• **UAM Subcommittee – Bryan Lantz**

- 18 were in attendance.
- Discussion focused on best way to train FDOT & UAO personnel on the new 2010 UAM after rulemaking. Consistency is a major concern and several recommended training at the local UCC meetings with the FDOT Maintenance staff in attendance.
- Tom Bane's current plan is to train the DUE's and create a web-based application. Gordon Wheeler suggested a Q&A on the FDOT website and all agreed.
- Dave Kuhlman suggested the 2010 UAM be separated from Rule 14-46 rule making (69KV in L/A R/W's).
- The next step for the committee is to monitor & review UAM when it is posted to the Florida Administrative Weekly.

• **Joint Use/NJUNS Subcommittee – John Pugh**

- There were 16 people in attendance, 12 in person and 4 on the phone.
- Had a discussion on tagging the existing poles in NJUNS to help identify that they are already in the process and for contractor to be able to bill to the correct NJUNS number written on the poles. This tagging process helps reduce double pole counting.
- We discussed developing a priority list from (0-9). Georgia had a good list already in place and AT&T in Florida has one that we are going to get and look at.
- We selected new officers:
 - Chairperson - Nicole Bates – Tampa Electric
 - Henry Bowlin – Vice Chair - CenturyLink
- We had a discussion on attaching maps and GIS coordinates to help locate poles better.
- We had discussed some new features for pole transfer but won't be out till 2011.
- We discussed not everyone is involved in NJUNS like smaller cooperatives but Roy Beaver is reaching out to them with meetings.
- We talked about Florida has 55 companies and 983 users active at this time.
- Roy Beavers informed the group that there is training every Wednesday called a forum so if anyone is interested, have them get on and check it out.
- We had a discussion on a new committee name. FNJUNS or Florida Joint Use Notification System. Everyone agreed.
- Communication is one of the key problems with NJUNS or actually the lack of.
- We had a discussion on updating contact information for users.
- We talked about adding number of days in ticket and reset ticket to stay real-time corrected.

- **Permitting Subcommittee – Gary Monday (filling in for Henry Bowlin)**
- 19 in attendance
- Reviewed the letter to Tim Latner from the F.U.C.C., requesting FDOT to move forward with Electronic Permitting Utility work.
- Discussed rolling road blocks with major concerns being safety of everyone on the project. Take time and review the plan in meetings to insure workability and safety.
- Feedback from FDOT on their continuing quality review of randomly selected permits and found 35% - 40% had either non existing/invalid special conditions or stated FI Statutes that did not exist or apply. This quality review is on going and this % may change as more permits are reviewed.
- I requested for everyone continue to send me their permitting issues that are more than just a onetime issue.

- **E-Business – John Murphy**
The FUCC website is continually updated.

- **Conflict Matrix**
Noting to report at this time.

- **UCC – Dennis LaBelle**
Have to have 20 people min. to hold a UCC class. Recommendation was given to send a letter to Tallahassee to encourage DOT to recognize UCC courses. Asked for attorney to volunteer to review the Legal Module.

- **Steering Committee – Juan Lopez** As reported above

- **Conference Planning – Dennis LaBelle**
Next conference is at Mission Inn, Howey-in-the-Hills; Winter 2011 meeting is at the Hilton, Ocala; Spring 2011 meeting is TBD but probably at the Radisson, Port Canaveral; Summer 2011 meeting is in the Hilton, Marco Island.

- **Program Planning – Dennis LaBelle**
Power Interest Group will be doing a upcoming Smart Grid Presentation in the near future.

Tim Brock is heading up a panel discussion group to create Presentation topics.

- **Certificates – Dennis LaBelle**
FUCC is paying the \$250 application fee for CEU administrator rights.

- **OLD BUSINESS**
None

- **NEW BUSINESS**
Chairman Don Anthony dissolved all of the subcommittees and turned the chair over to newly Chairman Juan Lopez.

Chairman Juan Lopez reinstated all subcommittees.

Gary Monday nominated Joe Sanchez as the new Secretary. Seconded, and passed.

Chairman Juan Lopez presented an appreciation plaque to Don Anthony for his service.

A motion was made to combine and create a new Membership/Finance Subcommittee and for Bill Brannen with CSX to Chair. Motion was seconded and passed.

No nomination was made for a new Program Subcommittee.

Chairman Juan Lopez shared 3 objectives for his upcoming 2010-2011 term. He also thanked Margie & Dennis LaBelle and all the sponsors.

Motion to adjourn and meeting was adjourned at 10:56am.

Chairman – Juan J. Lopez
Vice Chairman – T.K. Christie
Secretary – Joe Snachez
Treasurer - Vinnie Lavallette
Historian – Tom Duggar