

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
FLORIDA UTILITIES CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE
HELD AT SUWANNEE HOTEL, ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.
NOVEMBER 18, 1938

Representatives present:

W.A.Coppage, Postal Telegraph Co., Atlanta, Ga.
J.K.Galloway, Winter Park Telephone Co., Winter Park, Fla.
C.B.McCartney, Fla. Power Corp., St. Petersburg, Florida.
E.W.Parrish, Florida Public Service Company, Orlando, Fla.
Stanley Worth, Sou. Bell Tel. & Tel. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.
R. W. Shriner, Peninsular Telephone Co., Tampa, Florida.

Representatives absent:

E.C.DeGarmo, Div. Engr. State Road Department, Miami, Fla.
E.L.Cox, Gulf Telephone Co., Perry, Fla.
J.H.Dowling, State Road Department, Tallahassee, Fla.
W.F.Girtman, Florida Telephone Corp., Leesburg, Fla.
A.R.Swanson, American Tel. & Tel. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.
Wilkins Linhart, Florida Railroad Commission, Tallahassee, Fla.
J.N.MacFeeley, Sou. Bell Tel. & Tel. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.
E.M.Menendez, Southeastern Tel. Co., Tallahassee, Fla.
S.O.Newsome, Riverside Tel. Co. Blountstown, Florida.
E.L.Pulley, Gulf Power Co., Pensacola, Florida.
H.V.Street, Florida Power & Light Co., Miami, Fla.
R.M.Temple, City of Tallahassee, Fla.
L.S.Terrell, Western Union Telegraph Co., Atlanta, Ga.
K.H.Williams, Inter County Tel. Co., Fort Myers, Fla.
Wayne Warfield, Tampa Elec. Co., Tampa, Florida.
A.P.Michaels, P.O.Box 794, Orlando, Florida.
P.J.Carlin, Florida Light & Power Co., Miami, Fla.
Geo. Newcomer, Sou. Bell Tel. & Tel. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.
R.J.Hopper, Sou. Bell Tel. & Tel. Co., Miami, Florida.

Visitors Present:

J.S.Euhelberger, Peninsular Telephone Co., St. Petersburg, Fla.
S.C.Edmunds, Peninsular Telephone Co., St. Petersburg, Fla.
Laverne Thomas, Peninsular Telephone Co., St. Petersburg, Fla.
C. V. Saunders, Florida Power Corporation, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Meeting was called to order at 9:20 A.M. by Chairman Shriner, at which time the visitors were welcomed.

The minutes of the August 12th meeting were approved as read after which the correspondence was read.

Mr. Worth led the discussion on a plan whereby each company represented in this Committee would send a list of the major jobs that are contemplated for the next year, in order that the companies effected might work out any problems or difficulties that may be encountered before the work is started. This met with considerable approval although no definite action was taken. It is hoped something can be worked out on this point.

After Mr. Wirtman's letter of October 20, 1938, to the Florida Power & Light Company was read the discussion brought out several good ideas. One in particular is that we should instruct our local employees (who after all can make or break all our cooperative efforts if they cannot iron out the little things which come up every day, especially where joint construction is used) in the same cooperative manner as conducted in our meetings.

The problem of overhead wires (power and telephone) getting together was discussed. Mr. Shriner reports that with their telephone underground they have had excellent operating results so far.

A discussion led by Mr. McCartney on wave trap for station grounding was very interesting. It was brought out that some trouble has been experienced at St. Petersburg plant and the Florida Power Corporation and Peninsular Telephone Company are getting together to work up a wave trap for protection against this type of interference.

Mr. Worth stated that the Southern Bell Telephone Company are working on, and will soon have developed, a wave analyzer. This instrument will be a great help to the operating companies and will be ready for use about the first of 1939.

Considerable discussion was again had on joint use of poles. One of the good points brought out was that joint use could be worked out more satisfactorily where new work or larger rebuilding projects were under consideration, where it would be highly desirable to go in for joint use of facilities.

Mr. McCartney is to get several copies of the A. I. E. E. specifications on joint construction.

It was brought out that since our meetings are not drawing the attendance desired that we might have some speaker, or other attraction, to bring out a better attendance. With this in mind, at our next meeting, to be held in Orlando at the San Juan Hotel, Friday, February 10, 1939, the Safety Director of the Florida Public Service Company will give a talk entitled "Safety in a Utility Co-Ordinating Committee." The Secretary is instructed to write the State Road Department Engineer, in the district in which the meeting is being held in order to always have State Road Department representation.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30.

E. W. Parrish -