

MINUTES OF MEETING OF FLORIDA  
UTILITIES COORDINATING  
COMMITTEE

ORLANDO, FLORIDA

NOV. 21, 1941

The quarterly meeting of the Florida Utilities Coordinating Committee was held at the Angebilt Hotel, Orlando, Florida November 21, 1941. The following were present:

W. M. Bostwick <i>FP&amp;L</i>	A. P. Michaels <i>CONSULT.</i>
C. M. Broom <i>FP&amp;L</i>	L. B. Moore
S. H. Burke <i>AT&amp;T</i>	H. D. Ownby <i>ORLANDO P.S.</i>
W. J. Clapp	E. W. Parrish <i>FPS</i>
H. H. Coleman <i>TALLAHASSEE</i>	C. V. Saunders <i>FPC</i>
B. N. Darlington	Stanley Warth <i>SON BELL</i>
A. J. Farson	B. E. Wilkerson <i>SEABOARD RR</i>
B. A. Galloway <i>WINTER PARK TEL</i>	P. H. Wright

Mr. W. D. LeVeille, State Road Department, Deland, Florida, called by 'phone leaving his regrets that he could not be present.

Chairman Stanley Warth called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M.

Due to the absence of Mr. A. B. Street, the committee orally discussed Mr. Street's notes of the previous meeting's minutes and it was asked that these notations be incorporated in the minutes of this particular meeting. Our last meeting was held in Miami, Florida, August 22, 1941, in the Sunshine Room, Ingraham Building. The following members were present:

H. B. Street <i>FP&amp;L</i>	Stanley Warth <i>SBT</i>
W. F. Girtman <i>FP&amp;L</i>	K. H. Williams <i>INT. CO TEL</i>
B. A. Galloway <i>WINTER PARK TEL</i>	B. E. Wilkerson <i>SEABOARD</i>
A. R. Swanson <i>AT&amp;T</i>	L. B. Moore <i>PUBLIC SER. COMM</i>

The meeting was opened by reading the minutes of the previous meeting of which were approved as read.

Mr. W. F. Girtman reported that the Pine Island Controversy had been settled to a satisfactory degree.

Under new business, Mr. Warth expressed his opinion that the local superintendent of the R. E. A. should attend each of these meetings because of corporate reasons that can be obtained. He also stated that they have been notified of these meetings.

Regrets were received from Mr. Borain that he could not attend this meeting as scheduled due to an unforeseen meeting which he was required to attend.

A lengthy discussion was put forth concerning the ways and means of protecting underground cables. It was suggested that a private map be turned over to each city manager of water and gas companies showing the location of such buried cables, that they might be protected in case of other underground constructions. The controversy was due to the fact that there would be many such maps that they would be hard to keep track of and the possibilities of one map being secured by some undesired person would mean nothing but a disastrous effect.

From this discussion came the fact that Mr. Girtman has found a most desirable place to put his underground cables of which he claims is near or under the sidewalks. The election of officers was brought up for discussion and the following were elected:

Chairman, H. B. Street  
Vice-chairman, B. E. Wilkerson  
Secretary, B. A. Galloway

It was agreed upon that the next meeting was to be held November 14, Orlando, Florida.

The above minutes were approved as noted.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned of which was carried.

After the minutes were approved of our last meeting, Mr. Warth turned the meeting over to Mr. Wilkerson, Vice-chairman, in the absence of Mr. Street. Mr. Wilkerson asked for any comments on old business and the subject was brought up concerning the absence of the R. E. A. members attending these meetings. We understand that orders were received from Washington that none of the R. E. A. members would attend unless they were officials from Washington and that the officials would attend whenever it was necessary. Mr. Warth suggested that we inquire to find out who the officials of the R. E. A. were in Washington that we may send them invitations to these meetings.

In connection with the new safety code of which is being prepared, it was suggested by Mr. Warth that we extend invitation to Mr. Green, Engineer of the Florida Railroad Commission, to discuss this new code with this committee. This was made in the form of a motion and seconded by Mr. Wright, which was carried unanimously.

In connection with the Winter Park Telephone Company's new underground construction in the past few month, the Florida Public

Service Company of Orlando which are in joint construction with the Telephone company brought in discussion, the terminal boxes which are placed approximately five feet from the ground. This discussion was carried out in the idea that these terminal boxes were hazardous inasmuch as the public service lineman climbing above these boxes are apt to fall from the pole, thus hitting the terminal box and injuring the lineman severely. The discussion of the Winter Park Telephone Company of the same idea was carried out in rebuttal to the extent that it was no more hazardous than many other things that were placed on the older type construction with the terminal box placed approximately twenty feet from the ground and the public service lineman still had to climb above the boxes. This discussion was carried out in length.

Mr. Ownby of the Florida Public Service made the following motion. That this group appoint a committee to investigate this new construction with terminal box approximately five feet from the ground with drive rings placed up the pole to a distance approximately eighteen feet up the pole. This motion was seconded by Mr. Parrish and put to vote of which was carried unanimously. The committee consisted of the following:

Mr. A. J. Parson, Florida Public Service, Chairman  
E. N. Darlington, Peninsular Telephone Company  
Stanley Warth, Southern Bell Tel & Tel Company  
C. M. Broom, Florida Power and Light Company  
H. D. Ownby, Florida Public Service Company  
B. A. Galloway, Winter Park Telephone Company

It was also agreed that this committee would write letters to the Electrical Institute, Electrical Engineer, and also to the American Telephone and Telegraph Company asking them for suggestions and ideas concerning this newer type of telephone construction.

Mr. Warth asked for suggestions of places for the next meeting of this committee. Such suggestions were Jacksonville, Sanford, and Daytona. When this was carried to vote, a decision was made for Daytona on Friday 20th day of February, the name of the hotel to be withheld until Mr. W. H. Bostwick, Florida Power and Light Company, Daytona Beach, advised the committee of his findings.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M. to have luncheon, furnished by the Winter Park Telephone Company.

*B. A. Galloway*  
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