



Meeting Minutes

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, August 15, 2017

TIME: 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

LOCATIONS:

- NV Energy, 1 Ohm Place, Reno, NV
- NV Energy, 7155 Lindell Road, Las Vegas, NV

MEETING ATTENDEES:

- **North:** Jay Mendiola, NV Energy | Geoff Daferno, TMWA | Mike Fitzgibbons, Comstock Insp.
- **South:** Billy Riggs, ELM | Cesar Castillo, RP Weddell | Dave Roy, City of Henderson | Dawn Rivard, PUCN | Greg Noel, USIC | Harley Hartman, ELM | Harold Lefler, ELM | Kyle Wright, Haaker Equipment | Mike Marrero, USIC | Rick Torrens, KCI | Robert Ward, NV Energy | Roger Brady, Trench Plate Rental | Steve Priscu, City of Boulder City
- **Phone:** Dave Dahl, Kern River | Wayne Scott, AT&T | James Wingate, USA North | Colin Miyadi, USA North

Standing Items:

1. Introductions (Jay Mendiola)

Self-introductions took place.

2. Adoption of the Agenda (Jay Mendiola)

Mike Fitzgibbons made a motion to adopt the agenda as is. Jeff Daferno seconded it.

3. Financial Status Report – For Information Only (Dawn Rivard)

Dawn provided an update on NRCGA expenditures since the last meeting and current balance.

4. Enforcement Actions (Craig Rogers)

Tabled.

5. CGA Best Practices and CGA Update (Cesar Castillo, Bob Ward)

Mike Marrero attended the CGA's recent best practices meeting in Kansas City. Enhanced positive response passed as a new best practice. EPR provides the excavator/contractor notes, photos and prints. Advanced white lining did not pass. EWL deals with how to identify abandoned facilities. Mike will email info on white lining to NRCGA members and USA North's request.

Committee Reports:

6. Education/Training (Jay Mendiola, Tom Georgi, Cesar Castillo, Dennis Bott)

- USA North and the NRCGA partnered on July 13 to provide a free training for excavators. Cesar provided the training.
- Dennis conducted a training for Kern River at Kern River's request.

7. Locate Rodeo Committee (Dennis Bott)

The committee did not meet prior to the NRCGA Aug. 15 meeting and has not met in a couple months. The committee will meet again an hour prior to the NRCGA Sept. 19 meeting. The 2018 Locate Rodeo will likely be held in March or April.

8. 811 Safety Day (Cesar)

This new committee will meet for the first time on Aug. 23 at the PUCN office in Las Vegas. Safety Day and the Locate Rodeo will be separate events.

9. USA North 811 (USAN) – NV Committee Update (Boyd Duchene, Bob Ward, Tom Georgi, Donnie Foster)

The committee met on July 26. Call times continue to improve. USA North hired three more CSRs and now have a total of 39. PG&E is pushing for 24 hour call center service. If the board votes to implement 24-hour



service, USA North Executive Director James Wingate will work up a budget. Members have to consider how 24-hour service will affect them. Members also need to decide if 24-hour service will be available to homeowners or just excavators and utilities. James also said USA North is working on a way to edit tickets for things like updating point-of-contact information, not for the scope of the ticket. Right now, if you want to change a point-of-contact name and phone number, you have to submit a new ticket rather than editing the existing ticket. USA North contacted its software vendor to request the change. They're on the software company's waiting list.

Non-Agendized Items:

10. Excavator Appreciation Event (Bob Ward)

The annual BBQ in Southern Nevada is planned for Nov. 1. Dawn Rivard, Cesar Castillo, Mike Marrero, Harold Lefler, Roger Brady, and Colin Miyadi volunteered to be on this committee. If any other NRCGA members are interested in being on this committee, let Dawn know.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017