

Meeting Minutes

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2016

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 | Mike Moody, Southwest Gas | Geoff Daferno, TMWA | Mike Fitzgibbons, Comstock Inspection | Jamie Haas, Paiute Pipeline
- **South:** Dave Roy, City of Henderson | Robert Ward, NV Energy | Cesar Castillo, R.P. Weddell | Boyd Duchene, Clark County Water Reclamation | Greg Noel, USIC | Wayne Scott, AT&T | Dennis Bott, Southwest Gas | Dawn Rivard, PUCN | Dave Dahl, Kern River Gas
- **Phone:** Don Goodwin, Cox | Verlyn Bailly, Transcanada | Tom Georgi, LVVWD | Ryan White, USA North 811

Standing Items:

1. Introductions (Jay Mendiola)

Self-introductions took place.

2. Adoption of the Agenda (Jay Mendiola)

The agenda was adopted with no amendments.

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

Dawn updated the group on the NRCGA's account balance. Membership dues are due Jan. 1, 2017. Earlier in December, Dawn emailed invoices for dues to current paid members. To date, dues have been received from Q & D Construction, Rio Virgin Telecommunications, Paiute Pipeline, USA North 811, Comstock Inspection, AZ Pipeline, and R.P. Weddell.

4. Enforcement Actions (Craig Rogers)

Tabled.

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

Dennis Bott provided the following updates.

- **2017 Communications Plan:** The CGA held a teleconference recently to go over its 2017 communications plan. The plan is available as a PDF download at:
<http://commongroundalliance.com/sites/default/files/toolkits/2017%20Communications%20Plan%20and%20Calendar.pdf>.
- **Hot Air Balloon & 811 Corvette:** CGA plans to cross the country in an 811 hot air balloon in 2017. CGA has also added a traveling 811 Corvette to display at events.
- **New 10-year anniversary 811 Logo:**





NEW BUSINESS:

6. Mike Rowe Sponsorship at CON/AGG Expo, March 2017, in Vegas (Dennis Bott, Jay Mendiola)

This sponsorship doesn't fit into the NRCGA's plans at this time.

7. Ticket Start Time (Jay Mendiola)

Questions remain about legal start times. Do locates have to be done in 48 hours if the contractor states he does not plan to start excavation until several days or a week after the 48 hours? Discussion about NRS/NAC followed. This item will be on the NRCGA's Jan. 2017 agenda in order to gather more input from members.

Ryan White from USA North 811 stated that USAN will have positive response set up by Nov. 1, 2017. A California law change requires call centers to have positive response in place. After Nov. 1, 2017, people will be able to check USAN's website to verify that a site has been marked instead of verifying through site visits or other means. USIC already provides this service to customers. Ryan also said that USAN is in the process of hiring 5 bilingual (Spanish/English) CSRs. USAN would like to move away from using contracted translation services.

Sub-Committee Reports:

8. Locate Rodeo Committee (Dennis Bott)

This committee met for the first time at 9 a.m. today prior to the regular NRCGA member meeting. The Locate Committee is still open for members. If you'd like to join, contact Dennis at dennis.bott@swgas.com.

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

Mike Moody reported that the NRCGA provided a training for 61 Q & D Construction employees in northern Nevada. Dennis Bott reported that there is one class scheduled for the south later this week. The last six classes in the south have been in Spanish. Dennis and Cesar Castillo would like to put together a swag bag of 811-related materials to distribute to training attendees. If your company has safety materials you'd like to put in the swag bag, let Dennis know at dennis.bott@swgas.com.

10. Budget Committee (Jay Mendiola)

Jay needs information from the Excavator Appreciation Event Committee on how much it will cost to send a representative from Byrd Underground to the CGA conference in March and to send the Locator of the Year to the Texas Int'l Locate Rodeo. If anyone has outreach ideas that must be put into the budget, please let Jay know at jmendiola@nvenergy.com.

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

USAN will hold its next Nevada committee meeting in Las Vegas on Feb. 7 at NV Energy's Lindell office. It will be open to USAN members. Start time is 10:30 a.m. Ryan White will send out an invitation to members.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2017