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To: Lawrence Jeter, Chapter President

From: Jeremy Bryson, Northwest Georgia Branch President

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Subject: 2019 – 1st Quarter Branch Report

The Northwest Georgia Branch of APWA met on March 20th, 2019 at the newly renovated Fort Oglethorpe Gymnasium – hosted by Jeff Long, DPW for the City of Fort Oglethorpe. We had 35 attendees representing 10 different agencies.

Brian Felker with RoadBotics sponsored our lunch and gave a presentation on data collection and surveys his company performs on roads. The City of Fort Oglethorpe just completed a survey using RoadBotics and he shared their overall street conditions and compared it to Ann Arbor Michigan's data. Mr. Felker gave visual examples of data collected to provide confirmation the system algorithm is providing accurate data. Brian is available to speak at other branches and can be reached by email at brian.felker@roadbotics.com

Other business discussed included ...

- Jeremy Bryson displayed and discussed the APWA first responder tags and that they were available at the APWA store on the website.
- Bryson introduced the GDOT's LTAP program and some upcoming training available to local agencies.
- Bryson discussed the February equipment show in Perry and asked Mr. Andrew Bielecki to go over the equipment rodeo results.

- Bryson discussed the upcoming National Public works week and the Annual Meeting and CPWM training dates on Jekyll Island.
- Michael Skeen, District 7 Director, discussed the scholarship application and the deadline of April 5th. Mr. Skeen discussed the requirements and benefits of the program.
- Bryson advised that he is in the process of updating the branch website on the GA Chapters webpage.
- Bryson discussed the APWA's young professionals 2yr membership promotion, and the benefits of APWA membership.
- Bryson stated the branches focus is on networking and the benefits of that within the various agencies represented in the branch.
- Bryson promoted 811 liaison resources and training they provide to keep agencies up to date on dig law changes and awareness of responsible digging. He also advised that April is safe digging month.
- A raffle drawing was held and some APWA gear was given out.
- Future (tentative) and past branch meeting information is listed below.

2019 NWGA APWA Branch Meeting Attendance Levels

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
March 20	Fort Oglethorpe	RoadBotics	35
May 15	Dalton	Mower Max	TBD
August 14	Rome	Waste Build	TBD
November 13	TBD	TBD	TBD