

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

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William (Bill) Hitt
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Brothers and Sisters,

I just want to keep everybody updated on how the coronavirus is affecting the IBEW and your local union. IBEW Local 222's office in Reddick, Florida will remain open. Some of the staff and I will be at the Reddick office from 8:00am to 4:30pm Monday thru Friday, except for the days I have meetings out of town. If you need any assistance from us, please call the land-line first and our cell phones second. If for any reason you cannot get ahold of anyone please leave messages and we will call you back. We will be limiting in-person interactions at the office location by using the lobby window to assist you. IBEW Local 222's meeting on March 21st in Jacksonville, Florida will be held at the American Legion Post 88 as scheduled. I certainly understand if caution precludes you from attending, but it is my opinion and the opinion of the constitution that our union meetings must be held monthly. We will do everything in our power to make this a safe and sanitary setting

As of March 16, 2020, the International Office will be closing until March 30. Our International Vice Presidential office in Birmingham will be closed until the end of the month also. All international reps will be working from their phones and laptops.

Brothers and sisters, this is not a time for fear and panic, but it is certainly a time for caution. Just like on every job site, the safety rules we follow are not because we are afraid of our work, but because we want to limit the hazards we are exposed to. In this situation we must follow the experts' lead (the CDC) and try our best to limit our interactions with large groups and people who may be exhibiting symptoms.

These decisions have been made with the utmost consideration for the health, safety, and well-being of our local union members, staff, and their families.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William F. Hitt". The signature is written in a cursive style.

William F. Hitt
Business Manager