



**METROPOLITAN FIRE MARSHAL'S ASSOCIATION  
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: September 8, 2010

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 9:05 AM

MEETING WAS HELD AT STEAMATIC OF ST. LOUIS

**Guests:** Mike McDavid, Steamatic

**Attendees:**

NAME	REPRESENTING	NAME	REPRESENTING
Roger Herin	Monarch FPD	Steve Bierman	Steamatic of St. Louis
John LaVenture	St. Louis FSA	Tony Simpson	St. Louis County
Marc Ulses	Frontenac FD	Dan Drieswerd	St. Louis County
Dave Nichols	Monarch FPD	Jeff Edwan	Ferguson FD
Ron Chac	Laclede Gas	Dennis Woods	City of Creve Coeur
Wally Miller	St. Louis FSA	MJ Vance	Centerpoint Technologies
Flip Swarz	Hackett Security	Harlan Hunter	Insurance Const Specialists
Lorie Howell	Hackett Security	Bill Fox	Shrewsbury FD
Denis Drozkowski	Maryland Heights FPD	Paul Mercurio	Clayton FD

**Treasurer's Report:** Ending Balance: \$12,815.17 We pretty much broke even with the 13D sprinkler seminar. Approved by vote

**Secretary's Report:**

**Minutes of Last Meeting:** Approved by vote.

**New Members:** Approved by vote.

1st Reading: Dan Drieswerd, St. Louis County

2nd Reading: Scott VanDover, Woodard Cleaning & Restoration  
Lorie Howell, Hackett Security  
Philip "Flip" Schwarz, Hackett Security

**Membership Report:**

Regular	80
Associate	49
Honorary	1
Honorary Life	1
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	3
Total	135

**Program/Presentation:** Presentation by Mike McDavid on services of Steamatic focusing on duct cleaning.

**Communications:** The PyroTech seminar will be rescheduled for sometime early next year.

**Committee Reports:**

**Fire Chiefs:** John LaVenture – No report.

**Education Committee:** John LaVenture – Nothing planned until spring – we need suggestions.

**State Fire Marshals:** Roger Herin – Reported that the NFPA 72 seminar at the St. Louis County Fire Academy was very good training. Also, the next meeting will be October 13 at the State Fire Marshals Office – generator class following meeting.

**MABFO:** Art Oesteriech – Paul Mercurio stated that the committee is making headway.

**MABOI:** Jerry Wessels – No report..

**ICC:** Ed Berkel – No report. It was noted that the 2009 errata is posted on the ICC website.

**Jefferson County Fire Marshals Assoc.:** No report – next meeting is September 16.

**Laclede Gas:** Ron Chac – Extinguisher training in October.

**Missouri American Water:** Ben Von Harz is no longer with MAWC.

**St. Louis Sprinkler Alliance:** Wally Miller – Side-by-side burns 5 weekends in a row. Wally reported on a golf tourney for Burns Recovered Group – see Wally or visit [www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org](http://www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org) for details. Residential sprinklers were discussed.

**AAGSL:** MJ Vance – There will be a seminar at JeffCo Fire Marshals meeting on September 16; AAGSL training on September 22; MJ will be running for President of the State Alarm Assoc.

**Old Business:** Funding for travel to ICC hearings was discussed. We need guidelines; we should only fund MFMA members who are eligible government voting members of ICC. Discussion ensued.

**New Business:** St. Louis County Fire Chiefs awards ceremony will be October 17 – this year's recipient is Roger Herin.

**Roundtable:** Code adoptions discussed.

**Good of the Order:** Nominations Committee – Wally Miller, Jeff Edwan and Denis Drozkowski.

**Announcements:**

Next Meeting: October meeting is canceled. November meeting will be November 10 at Kirkwood Community Center at 9:00 AM.

**Adjournment:** 10:34 AM. After adjournment, a tour was given of the Steamatic facility.

Respectfully Submitted:

Roger N. Herin  
Secretary