



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

Date: November 10, 2010

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 9:00 AM

Guests: Vince Zagarri, Zagarri Engineering

Attendees:

NAME	REPRESENTING	NAME	REPRESENTING
Roger Herin	Monarch FPD	Jim Fritz	Afton FPD
Art Oestereich	Creve Coeur FPD	Terry DeGuentz	West County FPD
Teresa Cross	Mehlville FPD	Steve Bierman	Steamatic
David Phipps	Metro West FPD	Tony Simpson	St. Louis County
Wally Miller	St. Louis FSA	Chris Gaut	NFSA
Greg Latka	Siemens	Anthony Lancia	AGC of St. Louis
Steve Gettemeier	Florissant Valley FPD	Mike Henke	Potter Electric
Dan Flynn	Negwer	Marc Ulses	Frontenac FD
Paul Mercurio	Clayton FD	John LaVenture	St. Louis FSA
Russ Todd	City of Maplewood	Ron Chac	Laclede Gas
Jim Koenen	Twilight Fire	Sue Smith	Twilight Fire
Skip Shank	Aschinger Commercial	Barney Hagen	Weber Fire & Safety

Treasurer's Report: Beginning Balance: \$11,666.78; Ending Balance: \$11,550.31 Annual report is needed for the Chiefs Assoc. Per Paul Mercurio, we are under the Chiefs' for IRS purposes. Report approved by vote.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of Last Meeting: Approved by vote.

New Members:

1st Reading: (none)

2nd Reading: Daniel W. Dreiswerd, P.E., St. Louis County Public Works

Approved by vote.

Membership Report:

Regular	80
Associate	52
Honorary	1
Honorary Life	1
1 st Reading	0
2 nd Reading	1
Total	135

Program/Presentation: Mr. Zagarri gave a presentation on how radio frequency coverage can be attained throughout buildings, and how a comprehensive approach can be accomplished to provide coverage for all essential frequencies throughout buildings at a savings for owners.

Communications: (none)

Committee Reports:

Fire Chiefs: John LaVenture – MAWC tariff – thanks to Dave Pruitt for his work; Chiefs have no representative from St. Louis County Bomb & Arson.

Education Committee: John LaVenture – January 6, 2011 there will be a class on firestopping and fire doors at Cottleville.

State Fire Marshals: Roger Herin – Not much to report; Tan-Tar-A reservations are open for the 2011 conference.

MABFO: Art Oesteriech – They are tweaking the State Code document – it will be distributed to all when ready – it is a work in progress.

MABOI: Jerry Wessels – No report – check their website www.maboi.com .

ICC: Ed Berkel – David Phipps stated that he attended class on the radio frequency requirements; energy code requirements are a huge concern for the fire service – electrical solar panels have huge considerations for firefighters including weight, no disconnect, etc. – much discussion ensued.

Jefferson County Fire Marshals Assoc.: Lloyd Montgomery – no report – next meeting is next Thursday at Saline Valley.

Laclede Gas: Ron Chac – Laclede Gas is going to the Public Service Commission for a rate DECREASE!

Missouri American Water: - The tariff issues have been resolved – discussion ensued.

St. Louis Sprinkler Alliance: Wally Miller – Wally requested to move the December meeting to the 15th at 10:00 AM – approved by vote; RSVP to Wally so lunch arrangements can be made. HFSC still has money available for side-by-side burns – go to their website at www.homefiresprinkler.org for more info.

AAGSL: MJ Vance – Fire Alarm Paths of Communication Seminar November 18th at Florissant Valley FPD – RSVP to MJ.

Old Business: Roger Herin receive the Educator of the Year Award. Nominations are open for officers – Nomination Committee is Denis Drozkowski, Jeff Edwan and Wally Miller.

New Business: (none)

Roundtable: The generator classes were good. David Phipps brought up discussion regarding independent living facilities opening up to residents who should be in assisted living – much discussion ensued. Paul Mercurio if anyone has info on firesafety for visually impaired – discussion ensued – Tony Simpson suggested inquiring to the Veterans Administration. Tony Simpson stated more public education is needed regarding the use of portable generators.

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Announcements:

Next Meeting: December 15, 2010 at 10:00 and will be at Sprinkler Fitters Local 268 Hall 1544 South Third St., St. Louis, MO 63104

Adjournment: 10:27 AM

Respectfully Submitted:

Roger N. Herin
Secretary