



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

Date: February 9, 2011

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 9:00 A.M.

Guests: None

Attendees:

NAME	REPRESENTING	NAME	REPRESENTING
Roger Herin	Monarch FPD	Paul Mercurio	Clayton FD
John LaVenture	St. Louis FSA	Marc Ulses	Frontenac FD
Gerald Amprosecchia	Retired	John Otte	Hazelwood FD
Dale Harbison	MO Div. of Fire Safety	Steve Bierman	Steamatic of St. Louis
Barney Hagan	MOFED/Weber Fire & Safety	Wally Miller	St. Louis FSA
Ron Walker	FireWalker	Teresa Cross	Mehlville FPD
Dan Woodcock	MO America Water	Greg Latka	Siemens Industry
Dave Nichols	Monarch FPD	Vince Zagarri	Zagarri Engineering
Steve Gettemeier	Florissant Valley FPD	Anthony Latka	AGC of St. Louis
Denis Drozkowski	Maryland Heights FPD	John Bennett	Guarantee Electric
Mike Henke	Potter Electric	Ken Schneider	Sprinkler Fitters 268
Jim Koenen	TFI	Sue Smith	TFI
Russ Todd	City of Maplewood	Lorie Howell	Hackett Security
Ron Chac	Laclede Gas	Bruce Hillen	MO America Water
Terry DeGuentz	West County FPD		

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance: \$11,458.74; Ending balance: \$13,833.74 Approved by vote.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of Last Meeting: Approved by vote.

New Members:

1st Reading: (none)

2nd Reading: Dan Dexter, Rock Hill Fire Dept.
Mark Harris, National Fire Suppression
John Lignoul, Interface Systems

Approved by vote.

Membership Report:

Regular	82
Associate	52
Honorary	1
Honorary Life	1
1 st Reading	0
2 nd Reading	3
Total	139

Program/Presentation: (none)

Communications: A letter from Robert G. Boyer was sent requesting a letter of support for his run for ICC Board of Directors.
Paul Mercurio contacted the Municipal League regarding HB46 and SB109.
Dave Nichols passed around a petition to support funding for the State Fire Marshal's office.

Committee Reports:

Fire Chiefs: John LaVenture Ron reported that emergency communications was discussed; there will be a hockey game fund raiser; and legislation was discussed.

Education Committee: John LaVenture Discussion occurred that we need more MFMA training. Barney Hagen will do a presentation next month on fire extinguishers and fire alarms. Other subjects discussed were seminars on seismic requirements for sprinklers by NFSA and St. Louis County, underground requirements, paths of communication, 2009 IBC fire door inspection requirements, fire suppression systems and hood/duct cleaning, alternate power sources, and more. It was brought up that we may be able to get CEUs for our meetings – we will work on that.

State Fire Marshals (www.fmamonline.com): Roger Herin No report.

MABFO: Art Oestereich No report.

MABOI (www.maboi.com): Jerry Wessels No report – check the website for updates.

ICC (www.iccsafe.org): Ed Berkel No report. The recent proposed voting changes were discussed.

Jefferson County Fire Marshals Assoc. (www.jcfma.org): Lloyd Montgomery No report.

Laclede Gas (www.lacledegas.com): Ron Chac Laclede Gas will host our September meeting. All copper gas lines are out of the ground now – this was a 10-year plan.

Missouri American Water (www.amwater.com/moaw): Dave Pruitt Daniel Woodcock reported that MAWC is replacing many old mains and hydrants.

St. Louis Sprinkler Alliance (www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org): Wally Miller Requesting help for the upcoming Home Show – March 3-6. April 19 will have a side-by-side burn at Firefighter Day at the Capitol, and Jason Webb is the recipient of the Platinum Sprinkler Award.

AAGSL (www.alarmstl.org): MJ Vance No report.

Old Business: The proposed legislation was discussed at length, as was the need for public education regarding residential sprinklers.

New Business: People are needed to go to Firefighter Day At The Capitol. Discussion ensued.

Roundtable: Barney Hagen discussed the MOFED conference.

Good of the Order: Terry DeGuentz announced he has the 2011 Knox order forms for the mutual aid systems. Please send in your membership renewals, as March 31st is the deadline.

Announcements:

Next Meeting: March 9 at 9:00 A.M. Location: Kirkwood Community Center, 111 S. Geyer, Kirkwood, MO 63122.

Adjournment:

Respectfully Submitted:

Roger Herin, Secretary