



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

Date: December 14, 2011

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 10:10 AM

President Mercurio opened the meeting by thanking the Sprinkler Fitters Local 268 for hosting the meeting and providing lunch.

Guests: None

Attendees:

NAME	REPRESENTING	NAME	REPRESENTING	NAME	REPRESENTING
Roger Herin	Monarch FPD	Paul Mercurio	Clayton FD	Anthony Lancia	AGD of St. Louis
Marc Uises	Frontenac FD	John LaVenture	St. Louis FSA	Tom Presnak	UL
Jerry McQueen	Creve Coeur FPD	Jason McIntosh	Creve Coeur FPD	Jerry Wessels	St. Louis City
Paul Richard	Pattonville FPD	Laurie Taylor	Pattonville FPD	Darryl Zastrow	Spanish Lake FPD
Dale Harbison	Missouri DFS	Ed Berkel	Mehlville FPD	Gene Robertson	High Ridge FPD
Mark Harris	National Fire Supp	Eric Ewalt	UL	Art Oestereich	Creve Coeur FPD
Michael Mahler	Sprinkler Fitters 268	Randy Cole	Missouri DFS	Dan Dexter	Rock Hill FPD
Dan Flynn	Negwer Life Safety	Teresa Cross	Mehlville FPD	Jim Koenen	TFI
Sue Smith	TFI	Terry DeGuentz	West County FPD	Scott Mullins	Eureka FPD
Adam Hauserman	Total Lock & Key	Jeff Edwan	Ferguson FD	Don Hamilton	Commercial Vent
Denis Drozkowski	Maryland Heights FPD	Roger Morris	Monarch FPD	David Schmderer	Maryland Heights FPD
John Walk	St. Louis FD	Wally Miller	St. Louis FSA	Jim McKay	Monarch FPD
Greg Latka	Siemens Industry	Steve Bierman	Steamatic of St. Louis	Ron Chac	Laclede Gas
Lisa Schneider	MO American Water	Jim Fritz	Affton FPD	Mark Thorp	Clayton FD
Bill Fox	Shrewsbury FD	Neil Carlock	Victaulic Co.	Lorie Howell	Hackett Security
Ken Scheider	Sprinkler Fitters 268				

Treasurer's Report: Beginning Balance – \$10,995.94; Ending Balance – \$11,005.94 Approved by vote.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of Last Meeting: Approved by vote.

New Members:

1st Reading: None

2nd Reading: None

Membership Report:

Regular	81
Associate	51
Honorary	1
Honorary Life	1
1 st Reading	0
2 nd Reading	0
Total	134

Communications: None.

Committee Reports:

Fire Chiefs: Paul Mercurio Legislative report; HBA proposal – discussion ensued (at our meeting); GSLAFC accounting & banking. Mark Thorp also added that the St. Louis County Standards Commission is looking at a new fitness program for testing.

Education Committee: John LaVenture At the January meeting Tech Electronics will present a program on fire alarm communication. We need ideas for presentations. A fire alarm class for tomorrow (December 15) was discussed.

State Fire Marshals (www.mofiremarshal.org): Art Oestereich Had a meeting yesterday (December 13). FMAM adopted a resolution opposing the proposed HBA legislation. The new website is up and running. Restaurant CO₂ systems was discussed – discussion ensued (at our meeting).

MABFO: Art Oestereich The latest version of the proposed state code legislation was submitted to a prospective sponsor (Meadows).

MABOI (www.maboi.com): Jerry Wessels The education committee is finalizing plans for next year. The website is being updated.

ICC (www.iccsafe.org): Ed Berkel The group A code hearings will be in Dallas. The code change submittal deadline is January 3, 2012.

Jefferson County Fire Marshals Assoc. (www.jcfma.org): Lloyd Montgomery Not a lot to report. New codes have been adopted and will become effective January 3, 2012. Some districts and departments are using FireHouse on iPads. Fire department connections were discussed.

Laclede Gas (www.lacledegas.com): Ron Chac Nothing to report.

Missouri American Water (www.amwater.com/moaw): Lisa Schneider No report.

St. Louis Sprinkler Alliance (www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org): Wally Miller Wally thanked everyone for coming. He also reported that at a recent fire at Busch Stadium, the fire was controlled by one sprinkler. Wally also reported that three Habitat for Humanity buyers opted for sprinkler systems at the buyer's cost.

AAGSL (www.alarmstl.org): Sean Devereaux No report.

Old Business: None

New Business: Election of officers: The election committee reported that they had no requests for anyone to run for offices. After calling for nominations three times, Denis Drozkowski made a motion to elect the incumbent officers by acclamation. The motion was seconded by Bill Fox, and was approved by vote.

Roundtable: Paul Mercurio announced that Skip Shank was in a bad motorcycle accident, and was recovering well.

Good of the Order: State Fire Marshal Randy Cole thanked the membership for our support on opposition to veto the override issue regarding sprinkler systems in adult care facilities. He also reported on an incident at a gas station where a woman was burned due to a fuel nozzle being left in the latched open position. Apparently, the nozzle was left latched open by the last user, and when the woman used the pump it began pumping as soon as she selected the fuel type, and the fuel ignited.

Announcements: Mike Mahler invited the membership to tour the training facility, and stay for lunch.

Next Meeting: January 11, 2012

Adjournment:

Program/Presentation: Wally Miller presented the Platinum Sprinkler Award to Paul Mercurio.

Respectfully Submitted:

Roger N. Herin, Secretary