



METROPOLITAN FIRE MARSHAL'S ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

WWW.MFMAONLINE.COM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2012

Call Meeting to order: 9:02 AM

Guests: Brian Hart – Steamatic of St. Louis

Attendees:

NAME	REPRESENTING	NAME	REPRESENTING	NAME	REPRESENTING
Roger Herin	Monarch FPD	Leo Meyer	Kirkwood FD	Steve Gettemeier	Florissant Valley FPD
Steve Bierman	Steamatic of St. Louis	Dan Waldemer	St. Louis County	Bill Penney	City of Eureka
Leo Schwartz	St. Louis County	Paul Richard	Pattonville FPD	Bill Fox	Shrewsbury FD
Marc Ulses	Frontenac FD	Paul Mercurio	Clayton FD	Teresa Cross	Mehlville FPD
Bilal Olushola	Northeast FPD	Sean Devereaux	Tech Electronics	Greg Latka	Siemens Industry
Amy Parker	Frontenac FD	Wally Miller	St. Louis FSA	Melodee Hinkle	Engineered Fire Prot.
Lorie Howell	Hackett Security	Anthony Lancia	AGC of St. Louis	Barney Hagen	Weber Fire & Safety
Lisa Schneider	MO American Water	Gary Zirhoff	Weber Fire & Safety	John LaVenture	St. Louis FSA

Program/Presentation: Mark Diedrich of St. Louis County Police Office of Emergency Management gave a presentation regarding Tier II reporting. Mark shared some good information, and requested input and ideas regarding education of businesses on reporting requirements. Hand-outs are attached. Mark's contact information is:

Mark A. Diedrich, Specialist II
St. Louis County Police Dept.
Office of Emergency Management
14847 Ladue Bluffs Crossing Dr.
Chesterfield, MO 63017-2237
Phone: 314-628-5404
FAX: 314-628-5403
E-Mail: mdiedrich@stlouisco.com

NOTE: Before other business, President Mercurio opened discussion up regarding the meeting time schedule. After considerable discussion, it was a general consensus that we should start the meetings at 9:00 AM - except in special cases, such as our December meetings when a lunch is served. When there is a program scheduled, we will keep the business meeting to a half hour and start the program promptly at 9:30 AM. The committee reports will be trimmed down to save time. This was decided so a maximum number of regular members could stay for the programs, and the associate members could plan to attend the business portion.

Treasurer's Report: Balance is \$12,848.79 Approved by vote.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of Last Meeting: Not ready.

New Members:

1st Reading: None

2nd Reading: Melodee Hinkle, Engineered Fire Protection – approved by vote.
Amy Parker, Frontenac FD – approved by vote.

Membership Report: Regular 78
Associate 46

Honorary	1
Honorary Life	1
1 st Reading	0
2 nd Reading	2
Total	128

Communications: • Post card addressed to Paul Mercurio from Missouri Children's Burn Camp attendee, Lydia, thanking the membership. In her words, "I'm Lydia, I'm 13 and this is my 7th year here at camp. I would like to thank you for giving me the opportunity (sic) to going to camp. It is the best experience I think I could ever have. Thank you Paul thanks a lot!" • Invitation to participate in the Sprinkler Fitters Local 268 Eleventh Annual Burn Aid Golf Tournament on October 5th (see attached).

Committee Reports:

Fire Chiefs: Paul Mercurio Radio system discussion.

Education Committee: John LaVenture No program next month. November meeting may be at Laclede Gas – will confirm.

State Fire Marshals (www.mofiremarshals.org): Art Oestereich No report.

MABFO: Art Oestereich No report.

MABOI (www.maboi.com): Jerry Wessels No report.

ICC (www.iccsafe.org): Ed Berkel No report.

Jefferson County Fire Marshals Assoc. (www.jcfma.org): Gene Robertson No report.

Laclede Gas (www.lacledegas.com): Ron Chac No report.

Missouri American Water (www.amwater.com/moaw): Lisa Schneider No report. It was brought up that MO American Water is sandblasting, priming and painting old hydrants – if you notice hydrants that are painted green, it is probably the primer.

St. Louis Sprinkler Alliance (www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org): Wally Miller Wally stated that it is side-by-side burn season, and reported on recent and future events.

AAGSL (www.alarmstl.org): Sean Devereaux The Alarm Association's annual expo is coming up October 9 – classes for ceu's are available; and the golf tournament will be October 10 - check the website for details.

Old Business: If you wish to submit a candidate for Fire Educator of the Year, get your application to Denis Drozkowski. The ceremony and luncheon will be October 21 – notify your Chief if you wish to attend.

New Business:

Roundtable: • Roger Herin brought up a problem with anti-freeze sprinkler systems in a subdivision in Chesterfield. Homeowners have been experiencing repeated leaks, and are deciding to shut off the systems. Discussion ensued. • Paul Richard opened discussion regarding cable providers for fire alarm monitoring, as Charter is requesting to be used. Discussion ensued, and Sean Devereaux stated he will send out a checklist regarding this subject.

Good of the Order: Bill Fox stated that a substantial project at Kendrick Glennon Seminary is winding down, and that Grasse and Bi-State have been good to work with on the project.

Announcements:

Next Meeting: October 10, 2012 at 9:00 AM.

Adjournment:

Respectfully Submitted:

Roger Herin
Secretary