



METROPOLITAN FIRE MARSHAL'S ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

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DATE: DECEMBER 12, 2012

Call Meeting to order: 10:15 A.M.

Guests: Randy Cole, Bobby Parrish

Attendees: (See attached attendance sheet)

Program/Presentation: (none)

Treasurer's Report: Balance \$12, 533.79 – approved by vote.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of Last Meeting: November meeting minutes approved by vote.

Membership Report:	Regular	79
	Associate	47
	Honorary	1
	Honorary Life	1
	1 st Reading	0
	2 nd Reading	0
	Total	128

New Members:

1st Reading: None

2nd Reading: None

Communications: None

Committee Reports:

Fire Chiefs: Paul Mercurio – Chiefs Association is being charged for accounting functions. We may incur some costs for this service.

Education Committee: • John LaVenture – January meeting will have a program about 3rd party inspections - lunch will be included – please RSVP John LaVenture.

- Photovoltaic seminar being planned.
- Flex head training also coming.

State Fire Marshals (www.mofiremarshals.org): Art Oestereich – Next meeting will be at winter fire school. The Executive Director is now with NFSA. Conference planning is ongoing.

MABFO: Art Oestereich – No report.

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

ICC (www.iccsafe.org): Ed Berkel – January 3rd is the change submittal deadline for Group B Codes. Code development hearings will be in Dallas in April; final action hearings in Atlantic City in September.

Jefferson County Fire Marshals Assoc. (www.jcfma.org): Gene Robertson – Annual Christmas party to be December 13. Gene Robertson has been elected President, and is working on different training programs.

Laclede Gas (www.lacledegas.com): Ron Chac – The ongoing project of removing all cast iron piping continues.

Missouri American Water (www.amwater.com/moaw): Lisa Schneider – Hydrant painting should be done soon.

St. Louis Sprinkler Alliance (www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org): Wally Miller – No report.

AAGSL (www.alarmstl.org): Sean Devereaux – Next meeting will be January 15th.

Public Service Announcement: Barney Hagen and Paul Mercurio will meet with a professor at Webster University for help – it may become a class project.

Old Business: None.

New Business: • Steve Gettemeier brought up the subject of UUFX requirements and consistency (or lack of) between jurisdictions – discussion ensued.

- Election of officers: There were no nominations for officers, so all current officers were re-elected by acclamation.
- Award presentation: Wally Miller presented the Platinum Sprinkler Award to Lloyd Montgomery.

Roundtable: • Bill Fox inquired of the membership, who is using iPads, and what programs are they using – there was a show of hands.

• Paul Mercurio brought up discussion about pollution control suppression systems for commercial kitchens – discussion ensued.

• Randy Cole: Stated that the deadline is the end of December for long term care facilities to comply with sprinkler requirements, and referenced the Anderson Group Home fire that resulted in 11 fatalities. Also stated that statewide codes are becoming a subject of discussion due to a recent 5-fatality apartment fire where alarm system manual pulls were disabled 10 years ago. Randy brought up other legislative issues, burn bans and the fact that LNG for vehicles is becoming an enforcement issue.

Good of the Order: President Mercurio thanked the Sprinkler Fitters Local 268 for hosting the meeting and providing lunch. Mike Mahler thanked all code officials for the job they do.

Announcements: • Jason Webb has accepted a position with NFSA – this is a renewed position.

- Anthony Lancia stated that the AGC is working on unified communication in the St. Louis area.

Next Meeting: January 9, 2013, 9:00 A.M. at Kirkwood Community Center.

Adjournment: (time not noted – lunch served afterward)

Respectfully Submitted:

Roger Herin
Secretary