



METROPOLITAN FIRE MARSHAL'S ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: OCTOBER 9, 2013

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Call Meeting to order: 9:00 A.M.

Guests: Todd Ware, St. Louis County Municipal Contract Manager

Attendees: See Attachment

Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$11,967.51. Request for increase in daily use of debit cards approved by vote.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of Last Meeting: Approved by vote with Paul Mercurio added to list of attendees.

Membership Report: See Attachment

New Members:

1st Reading:

2nd Reading: Scott Determann, St. Charles Fire Department – approved by vote.

Paul Mercurio made a motion to make John Otte an honorary life member – approved by vote.

Communications: (none)

Committee Reports:

Fire Chiefs: Marc Ulses • Fire academy discussion about disfunction. • Chief Gantner resigned from fire standards commission. • Special operations team definitions/classifications of equipment discussed. • Discussed standardization of SOP/SOGs. • State legislation agenda discussed. • Paul Mercurio reminded the membership of the awards banquet October 20.

Education Committee: John LaVenture • John discussed the good turnout for the 2-day sprinkler ITM class. • Art Black will have a fire alarm roundtable discussion on October 18 – discussion ensued.

Fire Marshals Assoc of MO (www.mofiremarshals.org): Art Oestereich No report.

MABFO: Art Oestereich No report, however, Paul Mercurio stated that the draft of the proposed state building code does include the IRC.

MABOI (www.maboi.com): Jared Agee • Jared announced that the MABOI conference starts tomorrow (October 10). • Jared is now the chair of the MABOI education committee. • They anticipate doing more training involving Fire Marshals. • Discussion regarding a mega-conference ensued.

ICC (www.iccsafe.org): Roger Herin • Roger expressed his disappointment that the fire service was not well represented at the last ICC conference and code hearings. • ICC is planning on possibly having the 2016 conference in Kansas City – the KC chapters will need a lot of support from all Missouri chapters to host the conference.

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

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

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

St. Louis Fire Sprinkler Alliance (www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org): Wally Miller Wally reported on the recent side-by-side burn at Monarch.

Alarm Assoc. of Greater St. Louis (www.alarmstl.org): Sean Devereaux Expo is today. Paul Mercurio received the Industry Advocate Award.

Public Service Announcement: Paul Mercurio No Report

MO Fire Sprinkler Coalition: Paul Mercurio There was a meeting yesterday (October 8), which was very productive, with stakeholder presentations.

Old Business: None

New Business: The December meetings will be at Sprinkler Fitters Hall – the nominations committee was appointed and includes Steve Gettemeier and Paul Richards.

Roundtable: Nothing reported.

Good of the Order: There was discussion regarding the website – consensus that it is doing well. Wally Miller stated that there is a book out titled “Killer Show” which is a detailed account of the Station Night Club fire and litigation thereafter.

Program/Presentation: State Farm stance on residential sprinklers – Steve Crosswhite gave a presentation on State Farm’s position on home fire sprinklers.

Announcements:

Next Meeting: November 13, 2013

Adjournment: