



## METROPOLITAN FIRE MARSHAL'S ASSOCIATION Minutes

DATE: JUNE 8, 2016

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Call Meeting to order: 9:04 AM

**Guests:** Tim Frankenberg with Ameren Services.

**Treasurer's Report:** Marc Ulses- Account statement was \$6064.51. Current balance is \$8430.00 which included the seminar deposit. Motion to approve: JP Penet, Second by Denis Drozkowski. Approved.

**Secretary's Report:** Paul Richard- Membership: 71 Regular, 33 Associate, 2 Life= **106 Total**

**Minutes of Last Meeting:** Minutes emailed to the membership. Motion to approve the minutes: Ed Berkel Second: Denis Drozkowski. Minutes approved.

Roger Herin made a Motion to make Art Oestereich an Honorary Life Member. Second By Ed Berkel. Motion passed.

**New Members:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Mike Pelsor- St. Louis County; Rod Cook- Metro West FPD; Andy Fritz- Fire Solutions, Inc.; Todd Weaver- Fire Solutions, Inc.

**Communications:** There have been several letters received from ICC Board of Directors Candidates. The general consensus was that there will be no endorsement from the MFMA.

### Committee Reports:

**Fire Chiefs:** Roger Herin- Next week

**Education Committee:** John LaVenture-

1. Franny Singer from Knox Box will be speaking at our July MFMA meeting.
2. There will be an August seminar with several subjects including CPVC Sprinklers, NFPA 72 Update, Door Hardware, and Fire Pumps. This class will be at the Sprinkler Fitters Union Hall.
3. MFMA will be coordinating with Jeff Co to present two ICC Classes taught by Terrel Stripling in September at the 268 Union Hall.

**Fire Marshals Assoc of MO** ([www.mofiremarshals.org](http://www.mofiremarshals.org)): Roger Herin- Conference will be at Tan-Tar-A on July 25-26-27. Registration is open on Eventbrite NOW. Hotel reservations are open as well. Go to Eventbrite to register. Register now since the rate cutoff is June 25<sup>th</sup>.

**MABOI** ([www.maboi.com](http://www.maboi.com)): Joe Kovac- Not present.

**ICC** ([www.iccsafe.org](http://www.iccsafe.org)): Ed Berkel-

1. Annual Conference October 16-18, Hearings are 19-24<sup>th</sup>.
2. The anti-sprinkler provision was voted down.

**Jefferson County Fire Marshals Assoc.** ([www.jcfma.org](http://www.jcfma.org)): Jeff DeLapp- Not present.

**Laclede Gas** ([www.lacledegas.com](http://www.lacledegas.com)): Ron Chac- June 23<sup>rd</sup> there is a training seminar gas safety workshop for public safety professionals, 10:00-3:00 pm. Lunch is included. Contact Ron or your training officer for more information.

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**Missouri American Water ([www.amwater.com/moaw](http://www.amwater.com/moaw)):** Lisa Schneider-Dawn Spink

**St. Louis Fire Sprinkler Alliance ([www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org](http://www.stlouisfiresprinkleralliance.org)):** Wally Miller- Subscriber membership warnings are randomly being sent out by NFSA. Contact Wally to have this corrected.

**Alarm Assoc. of Greater St. Louis ([www.alarmstl.org](http://www.alarmstl.org)):** Sean Devereaux- Not Present.

**AGC of Missouri:** Anthony Lancia- The \$1.6 billion NGA project.groundbreaking in 2017 with completion in 2021.

**Missouri Fire Sprinkler Coalition:** Roger Herin- Meeting in Jefferson City. The past two Summits have been successful. March of 2017 in St. Louis Area. Next meeting is August 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Old Business:** Nothing.

**New Business:** Nothing.

**Roundtable:**

1. Ed has had an issue lately with hookah lounges. An engine company was dispatched to a strip mall where about 40 ppm CO was detected. Further investigation of the area by the officer on the scene revealed 200+ ppm inside the hookah lounge next door. These buildings need to satisfy the IMC related to ventilation for a "smoking lounge".
2. Jim Fritz is looking at creating a nuisance alarm policy. Ed stated that adopting a UL UUFX certificate ordinance would also help.
3. Melodie stated that it would helpful if fire marshals would enforce the 5-year piping inspection. Also a full forward flow is required annually that flows through the backflow preventer in addition to the main drain test.
4. JP Penet reported that Lindenwood University is getting sprinkler bids for 50+ university group homes. The fire department is also working with the University in regards to student fire safety training and evacuation drills.

**Good of the Order:** Nothing

**Program/Presentation:** Dawn Spink- Missouri American Water Co.

1. Electronic (CD) water main and hydrant maps are available. [dawn.spink@amwater.com](mailto:dawn.spink@amwater.com)
2. New hydrants. Unincorporated County project, ordinance is done by FPD. In city, the city makes the ordinance on recommendation by the FPD.
3. Minimum MAW main is 8-inch, minimum fire line to the building is 6-inch.
4. If a hydrant has been hit repeatedly, it can be moved at the property owners expense.
5. Firefighters need to close hydrants SLOWLY. After a north county fire recently there were 6 water main breaks where the water hammer went out in different directions.
6. Some cities want to charge MAW a land disturbance or excavation permit. Not a good idea since the
7. MAW now does hydrant exercise only every other year. For ISO credit fire departments still need to do hydrant inspections annually.
8. Easement vs. ROW. Easement is the legal adoption for the purpose of using the property. MAW would rather be in the easement. NOT on private property or in the ROW.
9. Tap form needs to be completed and signed by the fire marshal on all new sprinkler systems. Contact Dave Pruitt if you have questions about these forms.
10. Engineer Dave Pruitt: 314-996-2396 [dave.pruitt@amwater.com](mailto:dave.pruitt@amwater.com)
11. Maintenance Supervisor Matt: [matt.horan@amwater.com](mailto:matt.horan@amwater.com)

**Announcements: Next Meeting July 13, 2016**

**Adjournment:** 10:45 am

