



FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF NEBRASKA

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**MINUTES
FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF NEBRASKA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
March 13, 2007
Howard Johnson, 5250 Cornhusker Highway
Lincoln, Nebraska**

Directors Present

Matt Carey	NIFCO
John Wieczorek	Ahern Fire Protection
Les Swanson	Bullseye Fire Sprinkler
Ryan Dexter	Nebraska Fire Sprinkler
Matt Zastera	White Hot Fire Protection
Bruce Halldorson	Continental Sprinkler
Brent Opelt	Associated Fire Protection

Others Present

Tom Kulhanek	Howells Fabrication
David Autry	State Fire Marshal
Jim Murphy	City of Omaha P & I
Jerry Pennington	Pipe Fabricators
John Dahlgren	Lincoln Water System

Call to Order: Carey called the meeting to order in Mahoney's absence at 10:00 A.M.

Minutes: Minutes of the February meeting were read by Wieczorek and approved by Carey.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report for the period of 2/13/07 through 3/12/07 was presented by Swanson. We have a current balance of \$8,503.63. The report was approved and seconded.

Old Business

Calendar of Events:

- **April 20, 2007** - BFP Seminar/Board of Directors Meeting Bellevue Training Center
(**April 26, 2007** – NAACO spring meeting)
- **May 8, 2007** - Board of Directors and General Meeting (**speaker Ken Ulrich**)
- **August 2007** - Summer Seminar
- **August 3, 2007** - Annual Golf Outing/Board of Directors Meeting
- **September 11, 2007** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **October 2007** - Sprinkler Advantage Seminar/Board of Directors Meeting
- **November 13, 2007** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **January 8, 2008** – Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **February, 2008** – SFM Deputies Meeting-Seminar/Board of Directors Meeting
- **March 11, 2008** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **April, 2008** – BFP Seminar/Board of Directors Meeting

Fire Sprinkler Safety Assurance Program: Swanson reported that the professor has fixed the training disc. He is using Visual Basic program and his students to make a dummy form on the professor's website. It should be up and running in approximately a month for testing.

Omaha BFP Issue: MUD will take contractors reports. As of today, you can not pull permits. Mahoney will report in April on any updates.

Vertical Installation of BFP's In Lincoln: Carey said they are going to try to simplify their regulations by accepting anything USC approved.

Guest Speakers: John has Ken Ulrich booked for the May meeting. Rhonda reported that the September and November dates will not work for Russell Leavitt. If anyone knows of a speaker for those dates, please contact Rhonda.

New Business

Fire Marshal's Minute: Autry reported there is a 4 week turn around. There have been a few changes with Clint working the Lancaster County and UNL areas and Bruce has Otoe, Cass, Douglas, and Sarpy counties. This is posted on their website. Carey will ask Bob to extend an invitation to John Falgione to attend one of our meetings.

2007 BFP Seminar: John is waiting for approval on the agenda. The agenda and registration form will be mailed to all member contractors pending approval. Rhonda will send a letter of request for Murphy and Dahlgren to attend the seminar. Dahlgren mentioned that the County Extension Office on Cherry Creek Road is a great place to hold meetings if we would want to hold the BFP Seminar in Lincoln again. Their approximate charge is \$25 a room and holds up to 60 people.

Charity Golf Outing: Carey will be meeting with Donna Henik again. She was unable to attend this meeting. Carey will get a list from her for individuals to invite. Mahoney talked to Woodland Hills regarding the outing and we would need 120 people to do the gun shot start.

Resolution supporting residential fire sprinklers: This will be tabled for April's meeting.

N.C. Museum Sprinkler Interactive Display: Brent asked if one of the board of directors could attend a meeting in Nebraska City with him to finalize what they are looking for. Barney will put in a newsletter to donate antique sprinkler heads. Brent asked for volunteers to help label sprinklers, which would take approximately an afternoon. Brent will contact Mahoney to attend the meeting in Nebraska City.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m. with lunch at 11:00 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Mike McNiff, NIFCO, took the floor at 12:00. He talked about the new 2006 International Fire Code (IFC). He was part of the task force study to review this code.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.