

# FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF NEBRASKA

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# Meeting Minutes March 13, 2012

### **Opening:**

The regular meeting of FSCAN was called to order at 10:48am on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at the Nebraska Children's Home Society in Omaha, NE by Bob Mahoney Jr.

#### **Present:**

Terry Phillips, Tom Kulhanek, Mike Evers, David Autry, Melissa Spencer, Bob Mahoney Jr, Jim Kenney, Les Swanson

### A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

### **B.** Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

## C. Calendar of Events

April 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Board of Directors and General Meeting & Officer Elections at Nebraska Children's Home Society in Omaha, NE
May 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Backflow Preventer Continuing Education Seminar & Board of Directors only Meeting to be held during seminar – Announcement of new officers to be made
August 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2012	6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Burn Aid Golf Classic at Tregaron in Bellevue, NE
September 11 <sup>th</sup> 2012	Board of Directors and General Meeting to be held in Lincoln, NE *Location to be determined
October 2012	Sprinkler Advantage Seminar – UNL Architecture Hall
October 8 <sup>th</sup> 2012	Board of Directors and General Meeting at Nebraska Children's Home Society in Omaha, NE
November 13 <sup>th</sup> 2012	Board of Directors and General Meeting to be held in Lincoln, NE *Location to be determined

# D. Open Issues

Bob Mahoney Jr. with Mahoney Fire Sprinkler has possession of the NE Riser Tags. Please order through the FSCAN website or contact Bob at <a href="mailto:bmahoneyiii@cox.net">bmahoneyiii@cox.net</a>

Email any ideas for guest speakers to Matt Carey at <a href="mailto:mcarey@nifcomechanical.com">mcarey@nifcomechanical.com</a>

#### E. New Business

We need to put policies and procedures in place for when the burn trailer is requested.

What is status of trailer for burn unit that Tony from Ahern Fire Protection is building?

One person should be in charge of the burn trailer. This person would be responsible for the coordination of delivery and pick up of the unit.

The requesting party should be responsible for procuring the furniture and carpet needed for the unit and should also be responsible for the disposal of the burned items.

#### F. Golf Tournament

Flyers and business cards have been printed and are in the possession of Melissa Spencer at Ahern Fire Protection. If you need some, please email her at <a href="majerner@ahernfire.com">mspencer@ahernfire.com</a>

We need to get a head start this year with advertising of the golf tournament. We should all be starting to solicit businesses for donations and/or sponsorships.

### **G.** Treasurer Report

Approved as read. Ending balance was \$11,378.10

### H. Residential Sprinklers

LB 949 – Working with Jerry Stilmock on LR384

LR209 – Statewide code application process

Grand Island and Legislature have opted out of new code

#### I. Fire Marshals Minute

103 plans reviewed in February

Adopted 2012 ADA guidelines in regards to Fire Alarms

Jim Heine noted that those required to have quarterly inspections can perform themselves if we, the contractors, feel they are competent. Otherwise, we should be performing.

There is a link on the NE State Fire Marshal website in regards to Title 153, Chapter 19 on Sprinkler Regulations. Feel free to offer suggestions, comments, etc. Jim would like us to send him a list of any locations that you can think of that have commercial hood systems where a wet pipe sprinkler system is installed in them, or, send him the location as you come across them.

Questions or Suggestions?? Please contact plans examiner, Jim Kenney by phone 402-471-9469 or by email <a href="mailto:jim.kenney@nebraska.gov">jim.kenney@nebraska.gov</a>

#### J. Round Table

Pipe prices should level off for the next few months, may see additional increases this summer

Permit requests for the City of Omaha are now available online, along with an 8% fee increase whether submitting online or by mail. The goal is to submit and review electronically.

It was discussed to add more meetings in Lincoln to attract more out of town members. The September and October meetings will be held in Lincoln and we need to find a location.

We are still having troubles with the PO Box in Lincoln. Les Swanson is going to set up a new PO Box in Norfolk and we will close the PO Box in Lincoln.

Russ Fleming is the new NFSA president.

New classes in regards to NFPA 13 changes are now being offered by NFSA. FSCAN to possibly co-sponsor/host a 1 day class here in Omaha. Need to be able to provide a room that holds at least 30 people. By co-sponsoring the class, we would be given 3 free seats to the class. Classes are booked in a 3 day block (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) to allow for 1 day travel prior, and 1 day travel after. Class would be held on Wednesday. Class costs are \$95 for members, \$119 for non-members. Bob Jr. to talk to Matt about this possibility.

# **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:53am by Bob Mahoney Jr.

### **Agenda for Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting will be a Board of Directors and General meeting and is scheduled for April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Omaha, NE.

Call meeting to order	
Introductions	
Last meeting minutes	

Open Issues

**New Business** 

Golf Tournament

Calendar of events

Treasurers Report

Residential Sprinklers

Fire Marshals Minute

Round Table Discussion

Lunch – Provided by FSCAN

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Spencer