FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF NEBRASKA



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Meeting Minutes September 10th, 2013

Opening:

The Board of Directors and General Meeting of FSCAN was called to order at 10:35am on Tuesday, September 10th, 2013 at the Nebraska Children's Home Society in Omaha, NE by Bob Mahoney Jr.

Present:

Bob Mahoney Jr., Les Swanson, John Wieczorek, Matt Carey, Rich Graham

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

October 8th, 2013 Board of Directors and General Meeting in Lincoln, NE Training Topic: Anti-Freeze

November 12th, 2013 Board of Directors and General Meeting in Omaha, NE

February 11th, 2014 Board of Directors and General Meeting in Lincoln, NE

March 11th, 2014 Board of Directors and General Meeting in Omaha, NE

April 8th, 2014 Board of Directors and General Meeting in Lincoln, NE

May 9th, 2014 Backflow Preventer Continuing Education Seminar at the Bellevue Fire Department Training Facility in Bellevue, NE – Board of Directors only meeting to be held during the seminar

August 2014 8th Annual Burn Aid Golf Classic – Location/Time TBD

D. Open Issues

Bob Mahoney Jr. with Mahoney Fire Sprinkler has possession of the NE Riser Tags. Order through the FSCAN website or contact Bob at bob3@mahoneyfiresprinkler.com.

Email any ideas for guest speakers to Matt Carey at mcarey@firespk.com, Bob Mahoney Jr. at bob3@mahoneyfiresprinkler.com or Melissa Spencer at mspencer@ahernfire.com.

E. Burn Trailer

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

John Wieczorek will be in charge of the burn trailer. He will be responsible for the coordination of delivery and pick up of the unit and all other matters.

John to draft a letter to be signed by the person requesting the trailer outlining the guidelines.

John W. to create a box to house adapters to hook up a hose to the burn unit.

The trailer is being moved to Offutt AFB for a burn demo. Need to determine a storage location for afterwards, Rich to look into.

Need to create a waiver to be signed by the person requesting the trailer.

Trailer was licensed in September and it still needs to be insured.

SFPE would like to demo the burn trailer at one of their upcoming meetings, follow up with Donna Kohlan or Shane Cherney about this.

It was suggested and approved to put some money towards the burn trailer and have it painted and install doors. John to check with Tony to see if he is up for the task of creating and completing the doors.

Bob Jr. to talk to Victaulic, Reliable, etc., to see if there is any interest in donating funds towards the project and in return put their company advertisement on the trailer.

F. Golf Tournament

The 2013 golf tournament was a success. We had 51 golfers in attendance this year. A check for \$6,000 will be presented to the Shriner's later this year with funds raised from the gold tournament and an additional donation made by FSCAN.

A HUGE thank you to all the companies who donated, the golfers, sponsors, volunteers and everyone else who made this event possible!

G. Treasurer Report

Approved as read. Ending balance was \$21,487.20

H. Residential Sprinklers

LB 949 – Working with Jerry Stilmock on LR384

LR 209 – Statewide code application process

Grand Island and Legislature have opted out of new code

I. Fire Marshals Minute

It was asked that Jim Heine attend an upcoming meeting to address questions.

All test reports should be sent to the Lincoln office instead of to each district office and can be emailed to Sharon Brandt at sharon.brandt@nebraska.gov.

A proposed increase in plan review fees was discussed. It would need to be approved by the Governor before it goes any further. The Governor may be receptive, but it is likely that it will be denied. If approved, a Senator would need to sponsor the increase and industry support would then be needed. Matt will create a cover letter and will include a signature sheet for contractors to show their support for approval.

Questions or Suggestions?? Please contact plans examiner, Jim Kenney by phone 402-471-9469 or by email jim.kenney@nebraska.gov.

J. Round Table & New Business

Training discussions – NFPA 25, 5 Year Maintenance or other extended interval testing requirements – Q&A discussion to set standards – John W. to create power point.

It was suggested and agreed to hire a lawyer to review and address Title 153.

It was asked if the State FM could look into contractors that do not install to code. Documentation (proof) would be needed to start an investigation. Facts were discussed as provided by Continental and were presented to Jim Kenney with the State FM office.

Les suggested using FSCAN funds to help provide additional training for the AHJ's. This was re-discussed and agreed to as well by John Wieczorek, Les Swanson and Bob Mahoney Jr.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 12:35pm 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 October 8th 2013 in Lincoln, NE.

Call Meeting to Order	Burn Trailer	Round Table & New Business Discussion Lunch – Provided by FSCAN
Introductions	Golf Tournament	
Last Meeting Minutes	Treasurer Report	
Calendar of Events	Residential Sprinklers	Minutes submitted by: Melissa Spencer
Open Issues	Fire Marshal's Minute	