



**MINUTES
FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF NEBRASKA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

February 7, 2006
Midtown Holiday Inn, 2503 S. Locust Street
Grand Island, Nebraska

Directors Present

Michael Marion	Ahern Fire Protection
Bob Mahoney	DeMaranville Installations, Inc.
Les Swanson	Bullseye Fire Protection
Roger Scheidies	Bamford, Inc.
Matt Carey	Nifco
Mike Evers	Nebraska Fire Sprinkler
Ryan Dexter	Nebraska Fire Sprinkler
Bruce Halldorson	Continental Fire Sprinkler
John Wiczorek	Ahern Fire Protection

Call to Order: Marion called the meeting to order at 1:10 P.M.

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

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report for the period of 1/10/06 through 2/07/06 was presented and explained by Swanson. We have a current balance of \$13,210.52. This report was approved

Old Business

Calendar of Events:

- **March 14, 2006** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **April 21, 2006** - BFP Seminar/Board of Directors Meeting (Election of Officers)
- **May 9, 2006** - Board of Directors and General Meeting (Announcement of Officers)
- **August 7-9, 2006** - Summer Seminar
- **August 10, 2006** - Annual Golf Outing
- **September 12, 2006** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **October 2006** - Sprinkler Advantage Seminar/Board of Directors Meeting
- **November 14, 2006** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **January 9, 2007** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **February 2007** - Deputies Meeting – Seminar/Board of Directors Meeting
- **March 13, 2007** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **April 2007** - BFP Seminar/Board of Directors Meeting
- **May 8, 2007** - Board of Directors and General Meeting
- **August 2007** - Summer Seminar

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Fire Sprinkler Safety Assurance Program: We discussed the feasibility of hiring a temp data entry person to work at the SFM Office to enter the backload of inspection data into their system. Patty will check with Autry to see if this is possible and/or practical with their space and equipment. We need to figure out how far back data should be entered, and get an approximate amount of time it would take to get entered. Swanson will get a copy of the program on CD from Chrisman and bring to the next meeting, and Patty will bring the laptop. We will look at how the program works and get a feel for the data input time needed. Our goal is to get the SFM Office caught up and let them keep it current.

Bruce and Doug were interested to see if the individual contractors would be able to enter their own inspection data going forward. Swanson will check on internet access availability. He also will confirm with Chrisman that a deficiency letter can be automatically printed and mailed (or emailed) from the SFM Office to the appropriate deputy and owner.

Omaha BFP Issue: Wonder is looking at May to have a draft of the amendment read before the Council.

NFSA Representative Replacement: David Bowman was hired to fill the position of Great Plains Regional Manager. He officially began his duties on 1/15/06. Patty will invite him to the March meeting.

Guest Speakers for 2006: Mark McCue with Ryder-Rosacker-McCue Insurance of Grand Island is available to give a presentation on insurance liability in May, September, or November. Patty will check with Jerry Pennington to see when Tim Davis is available to reschedule. We will still have one open month if you have any suggestions

New Business

Fire Marshal's Minute: No update.

Memberships and Renewals: Our dues renewals have been very good, with only a few left to renew. Patty will send a second dues notice including the old brochure, and Marion will draft a letter encouraging inactive contractors to join and participate in our organization.

FSCAN Brochure: Patty handed out the old brochure. The only changes deemed necessary are updating the current members and contact information. Patty will send a notice asking companies to verify information for the brochure update. She will check with the printer to find out what the incremental costs are up to 500 copies.

Swanson will ask Chrisman what it would take to set up a FSCAN website, with possible links to the SFM and contractors. Patty will contact Fire Protection Contractor to find out if there are fees to include local organization news in their magazine.

Nomination of Officers: Ballots will be handed out in April, with the results given at the May meeting. The positions are for a two year term. In the past, current officers are the nomination

committee, and they are asked to move up one position. John Wieczorek with Ahern volunteered to be nominated for the secretary position. The nomination committee will try to find one more for that position.

NAACO Minutes: Carey read the minutes from the October 2005 meeting. Patty will attach a copy to our February minutes and forward to all contractor members. We currently are sharing minutes and agendas.

The question was raised how they handle the reporting and follow-up of their inspections. Per Autry, there is no current system in place. Alarm contractors have to be licensed to inspect systems, but anyone can install.

Summer seminar: Swanson was in contact with AFSA regarding their seminar options. They have two different options available. Patty will contact Bowman with NFSA to see what NFSA has available. We will discuss further at the March meeting. Need to determine our target audience – AHJ's or contractors.

Vertical Installation of BFP's in Lincoln: Mahoney will be working with Dahlgren the next couple months for the BFP seminar, and will get the position paper together. Carey will be asking his installers and getting their input on the subject.

Marion adjourned the meeting at 3:05.