FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF NEBRASKA



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Meeting Minutes October 8th, 2013

Opening:

The Board of Directors and General Meeting of FSCAN was called to order at 10:09am on Tuesday, October 8th, 2013 at the State Office Building in Lincoln, NE by Bob Mahoney Jr.

Present:

Bob Mahoney Jr., Les Swanson, John Wieczorek, Melissa Spencer, Cordell Beache, Andrew Johnson, Bob Jedlicka

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

November 20 th , 2013	Board of Directors and General Meeting in Omaha, NE Meeting at 1:00pm, immediately following the SFPE Meeting Valentino's $-102^{\rm nd}$ & Maple
February 11 th , 2014	Board of Directors and General Meeting in Lincoln, NE
March 11 th , 2014	Board of Directors and General Meeting in Omaha, NE
April 8 th , 2014	Board of Directors and General Meeting in Lincoln, NE
May 9 th , 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 W. to draft a letter/waiver to be signed by the person requesting the trainer outlining the guidelines.

John W. 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.

Bob Jr. to make a list of materials needed in order to create a box to house adapters to hook up a hose to the burn unit.

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

Trailer 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, Tyco, 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 8th Annual Burn Aid Golf Classic will be held in August of 2014. The venue for the outing will be determined at a later date. It is possible that it will be held at the Ashland Golf Club again as we had a good experience there.

The Board Members of FSCAN will present a \$6,000 check to the Shriners for their Transportation Fund in November or December during one of their monthly meetings.

G. Treasurer Report

Approved as read. Ending balance was \$21,955.70

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.

Cordell Beache with Tyco offered his assistance wherever needed.

Bob Jedlicka stated that in 2014, anything on potable water (domestic) must be lead free, lead free items come with a 30% higher cost than non-lead free items.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm 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 November 20th 2013 in Omaha, NE.

Call Meeting to Order	Golf Tournament	Lunch – Provided by FSCAN
Introductions	Treasurer Report	
Last Meeting Minutes	Residential Sprinklers	Minutes submitted by: Melissa Spencer
Calendar of Events	Fire Marshal's Minute	

Open Issues Round Table & New

Business

Burn Trailer