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Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, February 29, 2012 Holiday Inn Muskegon, Michigan

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The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Board Chairperson Frank Donovan at 2:00 PM.

Secretary David Williams did the Roll Call and the following members were present. Officers: President - Phil Clark, 1st Vice President - Paul Knapp, 2nd Vice President - Bob Hoekwater, 3rd Vice President - Walt Stoddard, and Secretary - David Williams Board Members: Frank Donovan, Tom Bowes, Brian Carter, Don Iverson, Don LaBrenz, Phil Nault, Dan O'Donnell, Randy Oliver, Dan Radecki and John Stoudt,. Pro-Tem Members – Chris Cleveland, Gary Hellmer, Brian Kiley, Mel Kooiker, George Little, Roger Radcliffe, Dave Vallier, and Scott Weaver. Excused are Treasurer - Jim Chase, Pro-Tem Members Mike Andrews and Mark Shapiro. Absent Members –Pro-Tem Members Ed Harris and Pat Falzon.

Board Chair Frank Donovan referenced the bylaw changes and requested from the board to have President Phil Clark preside over the Board of Directors meetings until the bylaws become officially effective. There was a motion by Don LaBrenz and supported by Walt Stoddard and the motion passed. Frank handed the gavel over to President Phil Clark.

President Clark asked for approval of the agenda motion by Bob Hoekwater supported by Frank Donovan, the motion passed.

David Williams, Secretary, presented the Minutes of the November 30, 2011 Board of Directors meeting. Bob Hoekwater made a motion to approve the minutes as printed supported Don LaBrenz, Motion Passed.

Correspondence: Secretary Williams reported on correspondence received from Bob Stewart as a thank you note for sending him his 35-year membership certificate.

Treasurers Report: In the absence of Treasurer Jim Chase, Dave Williams presented the report, provided the financial report. Jim reported our current balance of our checking and savings account is \$68,698.17.

The June Meeting showed a profit around \$4,216.06. Dave did report a correction of the hotel bill from the Annual Meeting in the amount of \$680.10 that was improperly charged to us. It will be credited to our account within the next ten days.

“Let the Code Decide”

Standing Committee Reports

Spring Meeting Chair: Randy Oliver reported that the Spring Meeting is all set with a minor schedule change due to an illness Todd Cordill is unable to attend and George Herrity will take his place.

Spring Meeting Guest Chair: Don LaBrenz reported that the guest program is going as scheduled.

Summer Meeting Chair: Paul Knapp stated that his program is nearly complete. Program topics include Inspecting Wind Turbines, White Book Applications, Roof top wiring Concerns, Fault Current, Smoke Alarms, 2014 NEC major proposals and Code Panel.

George Little Education Chair referenced all the hours we have provided during this registration cycle. We have provided all the necessary hours needed to fulfill their PA 54 Credits.

Summer Guest Program Chair: Bob Hoekwater is working on the program it may include a trip to Mackinaw City.

Meeting Location Committee.

Chair David Williams stated that the future meeting locations have not changed. He referenced a proposal from Mission Point, Mackinac Island. Bob Hoekwater expressed a concern with the economic climate and the financial status of many of our departments.

2012 Spring Meeting, Muskegon Holiday Inn, March 1st and 2nd.

2012 Summer Meeting, Gaylord Otsego Club, June 21st and 22nd.

2012 Annual Meeting, Detroit Doubletree Hotel, December 6th and 7th.

2013 Spring Meeting, Lexington Hotel, Delta Township, March 14th and 15th.

2013 Summer Meeting, Great Wolf Lodge, Traverse City, June 20th and 21st.

2013 Annual Meeting,

Membership Committee Report:

Chair Dan Radecki reported we have 387 Members 226 Inspector and 161 Associate Members. Dan referenced with the decrease in permits many part time inspectors are no longer inspecting and have not renewed their membership. President Clark will consider a ADHOC committee to address our decrease in membership. President Clark also asked Education Chair George Little to investigate the possibility of on line training.

AD-HOC Committee Report:

Chair Frank Donovan reported that the committee has provided the basis to establish a working budget. They reviewed all meeting expenses for the past three years and also established estimated chapter expenses based on the previous year. Frank asked the President to dismiss the ADHOC committee and to appoint a Budget Committee to complete the process. President Clark thanked the committee, recognized their hard work and dismissed the committee.

Bylaw and Policy Committee:

Chair Frank Donovan reported that the Proposed Bylaws were approved by the Board of Directors on December 14th, Sent to the chapter inspector members on December 23rd and approved by the chapter inspector members on January 14, 2012. There were approximately 50% of the votes returned. 109 votes to approve the changes and 4 votes opposed. There was a motion by Frank Donovan and seconded by Walt Stoddard to send the Proposed Bylaws to the Western Section for approval. Motioned passed. This committee is also responsible for the Operating and

Procedure Manual and Frank asked every Board member to review our present six-year-old O & P Manual. The committee will meet and provide a report at the June Meeting. President Clark thanked Frank and the committee for all the work they have done on the budget and proposed bylaws.

Legislative Committee Report:

Chair Phil Clark reported on emergency managers act being put on the ballot to defeat the law. He also referenced the work Dave Williams has been doing regarding HB 4561. This legislation was passed by the House and presently in the Senate that would change the code cycle from every three years to every six years. Dave reported that there is now a Michigan Electrical Coalition that he is chairing with the assistance of Tim McClintock, NFPA. This committee is designed to bring in multiple facets of the electrical industry together to support our industry. The Committee has held two conference calls and is building up steam. The Chapter website has a link to a webpage for the Michigan Electrical Coalition. You can view the minutes of the conference calls and see the direction of the committee. Last Sunday there was an editorial published in the Lansing State Journal and encourages people to view the editorial and to provide a comment. Dave encourages everyone to contact their senator expressing their thoughts. There is also a sample email to send your Senator. Everyone has other contacts, send it to them as well. This is an uphill battle and we need you to step up.

Western Section Report:

Representative Bob Hoekwater the section meeting this year is in Fort Smith, Arkansas September 16-19, 2012, at the Holiday Inn. The Section will also have a Train the Trainer Program before the meeting.

Website Report:

Chair Dave Williams reported a new page for the Michigan Electrical Coalition; there is a link from the "What's New Page". The webpage views are down from previous years similar to our membership and attendance.

State of Michigan Report:

State Electrical Chief Dan O'Donnell reported the 2011 Electrical Code Advisory Committee had a few meetings and will be wrapping it up in the next week or so. The Part 8 Administrative Rules have received a huge change to follow more of the ICC format. The Governor has appointed an Administrative Rules Committee, to review all administrative rules from all departments. The licensing law may be under some changes.

Meeting Registration Report:

Brian Carter reported that we have 75 pre-registered and 9 guests, total of 84. The final attendance numbers are 84 Attendees and 8 Guests total of 92.

Unfinished Business:


Walt Stoddard stated that we need to remember and reiterate that the documents we enforce are consensus documents and not just rules that are written. The Codes are consensus documents. We are out here to save peoples lives and property.

New Business: No new business presented.

Adjournment: There was a Motion to adjourn by Frank Donovan and supported by Tom Bowes and the motioned passed.

Meeting adjourned 4:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Williams". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "D".

David Williams
Secretary

Next Board Meeting -
Wednesday, June 20, 2012. Otsego Club, Gaylord, Michigan