



Ohio Association of Plumbing Inspectors

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MINUTES FROM OAPI BOARD MEETING FOR August 14, 2012

President Ron Branson called the meeting to order at 9:08 am. Pledge of Allegiance was not conducted for this meeting, no flag was present.

Board Members Present: Ron Branson, John Baumgartner, Michael Rudey, David Hudson, William Kraft, Dennis Gareau, Robert Pritchard, Charles McNaught, Lonnie Taylor, Steve Parker and Daniel McVey .

Treasurer's report was submitted and approved, with a balance in the account of \$10,237.04.

A new checking account was established at PNC Bank, and all funds were withdrawn from Key Bank and the account was closed. John Baumgartner recommended we purchase new software to update our PC for accounting/conference needs. Motion was made, second and approved to spend up to \$300 for this purchase.

Secretary's report was submitted and approved as amended.

President Ron Branson discussed our response letter to the BBS Certification Committee, providing support for a single plumbing inspector's certification to be channeled through the Department of Industrial Compliance.

Website needs to be updated with current information for the 2013 conference, meetings, education and calendar events.

The Board discussed possible education to be presented at the 2013 conference to afford everyone attending CEU's credits for DIC, BBS, and OCLIB certifications. Sunday evening will still have a round table with Ralph Reeb, Monday, welcome event with guest speaker, business meeting, classes for residential and non-residential certifications, and the vendor round table early evening to conclude. Tuesday, continuing education for all certifications, with the banquet dinner and awards that evening, and Wednesday, a.m. education only. The conference is scheduled for March, 3, 4, 5, and 6, of 2013.

There was also discussion on providing an education track for inspectors on possible real life examples in the field, illustrating ways to conduct ourselves and ways not to conduct ourselves as public servants. Other possible training tools would be a video presentation of an inspector performing daily field inspections, what works and what doesn't work.

Trustee Reports:

Northeast: Dennis Gareau, reported things are going well, with the local commercial market being most of their work, William Kraft, said Baker Hughs may have a large expansion in Akron Ohio, and the housing market is about the same as last year.

Northwest: Robert Pritchard said things are steady in his area, permits activity about the same as last year. Mike Rudey, added, plumbing permits are up 8% from last year in Wood, Henry, and Hancock Counties.

Southeast: Charley McNaught, said Perry County permits are up for Commercial/Residential, and possible large senior center to be constructed in Athens Ohio. Lonnie Taylor said there has been some improvement in residential/commercial work compared to last year, things are going well.

Southwest: Daniel McVey, no report at this time. Steve Parker, said, permits are picking up on the residential end, large project going on, converting a existing school into residential apartments. Dave Hudson noted, 3 new hospitals being built in the Cincinnati Ohio area and one of them being a 16 story children's hospital.

Next Board Meetings: November 6, 2013 and Jan 8, 2013.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:00 am.

Secretary, Mike Rudey