MINUTES FROM OAPI BOARD MEETING NOV. 8, 2011

President Ron Branson called the meeting to order at 9:08

Ron then asked Dean Wells to lead the attendees in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

He then asked Tom to call the roll which was answered by Ron Branson, John Baumgartner, Wyatt Simons, David Beaver, William Kraft, David Hudson, Michael Rudey, Charles McNaught, Lonnie Taylor, Lisa Humble, Steve Parker, Ron Schmitt and Tom Spayth, also present was Ralph Reeb.

Next Ron asked for the minutes from the August meeting. Tom then handed a copy to the members. After they had been read a motion was made by John and seconded by Charlie to accept the minutes as written. A voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The next order of business was the Treasures’ report. Wyatt presented the report and explained that all outstanding bills had been paid and the current balance was $6,515.06. The report the last meeting had been tabled seeking clarification of certain expenses and this report clarified all measures. Dave Beaver made a motion to accept the report and a second was made by Steve Parker. All voted in the affirmative.

The 2012 conference was the next order of business. Ron said he was asking Dave Williamson to be the guest speaker at the opening session. He then discussed the menus for the conference meals. It was agreed that Ron should continue to plan to meals. He said that at the Jan. meeting they could be agreed on. Ron also said he was going to meet with the Embassy Suites next week to finalize arrangements. Wyatt asked if he could attend the meeting and Ron said he would contact him with the date and time.

Ron said he would contact ICC for someone to install the officers. Shirts with the logo were then discussed and it was decided to again sell them. It was decided that white shirts were to be ordered for the board members with black for the rest. This would help to identify board members. The decision was made to order 75 shirts with the emphases on larger sizes. Small sizes didn’t sell well last year. Steve asked if he could ask a shop in his area to give a price for comparison. It was agreed that to do this if would have to be done soon.

Ralph then told the members that the classes for the conference had been approved and that he and Lisa would be working during the next month to finalize the finished product.

Ralph stated that at this conference he hoped to see a big push toward backflow programs. This would help to increase our work load and also help to income.
Also mentioned was that in the new printed code book in Chapter 10 that section 1003.4 oil separator was not deleted as it should have been. This was a printing error. To prove this if you go to the BBS web site and look at the board approved OPC Code it is not in there.

A discussion was then held concerning the Embassy Suite being continued as the site for the conference. It was agreed that the membership along with the board has been happy with the facility. They could see no advantage in looking at other sites.

Ron then asked for reports from the regions. Starting with the Northeast. Dave spoke about observing a fused pipe demonstration and thought it might be something to have at the conference.

Michael stated that commercial permits were up but residential permits down 11% in the Northwest region. He also mentioned that there is a tremendous amount of illegal work going on.

Ron said the Southeast commercial permits were up, but the residential permits were down. A new hospital is slated to start next year. He also said that his department was going back to a 40 hour week. Lonnie echoed Ron’s assessment saying his area was also seeing commercial steady with residential down.

Southwest trustee Steve said in his area residential permits are up and that a lot of small commercial permits are being issued. He also said Ross County is extremely busy. Lisa then reported commercial staying the same and residential down. John said his area was hard to figure because one day permits would be up and the next day down.

Michael then asked who would be up for election at the conference. Wyatt, Tom, David Hudson, Dave Beaver, Michael, Charlie, Lisa were the names mentioned, but no one was sure about the trustees. The problem will be researched. It was compounded due to fact several were appointed.

Ron called for adjournment. Steve made motion, seconded by Dave Beaver. Meeting adjourned at 11:34.