

SOUTHEAST MINNESOTA CODE OFFICIALS
Membership Business Meeting Minutes
December 2, 2009
Austin, MN

Minutes submitted by Ric Budahl: Secretary

Present:

Greg Karow	Ross Leonhardi	Dan Buuck	RonMike Klukow
Mike Nelson	Al Ernste	Tom Joachim	Jane Frahm
Scott Safe	Ric Budahl	Ron Ripley	Mike Thedens
Doug Morem	Glen Moreland	Russell Thornburg	Dennis Manning
Kevin Anderson	Craig Hoium	Dave Barnes	Gary Yoder
Kim Portz	Doug Mauer		

Meeting Call to Order: Chapter President, Al Ernste

- ✓ Approved Meeting Minutes of September 2, 2009: Motion/Passed

Treasurer Report: Doug Morem

- ✓ SEMCO June Balance \$1,085.01
- ✓ Deposits \$ +475.00
- ✓ Expenses \$ -211.00
- ✓ SEMCO Account Balance \$1,349.01

State of Minnesota: Tom Joachim:

- ✓ Tom Joachim, State of Minnesota, gave an update on the meeting with the State Fire Marshals office regarding elevators.
- ✓ State may have firefighters send elevator rescue stats to State Fire Marshals Office and to CCLD to identify problem elevators.
- ✓ County Fair code requirements and exemptions. Legal services will review exemption to see what should apply to code exemptions. Who would do enforcement? What does the law actually say?
- ✓ CCLD laid off 13 people this year. Placed all but 2 of those employees in other departments. Employees could be called back to positions as work load increases.
- ✓ State seeing some increases in revenues.
- ✓ CCLD will be requesting to legislature to leave funds for training in their budget.
- ✓ Building Official dues are increasing.
- ✓ Changing to 2 year cycle for Building Official licenses.
- ✓ 16 CEU's for 2 years instead of 24 CEU's for current 3 year license cycle.
- ✓ Discussion on carrying over revenues for inspections into the next year's budget.
- ✓ Residential Sprinkler Advisory Commission will work on issue to keep in Code or remove from Code – out for now.
- ✓ Working on 2012 code cycle and residential sprinklers.

AMBO: Craig Hoium:

- ✓ Meetings are ongoing with BAM on current legislation. Meeting with DOLI, BAM, and Fire Officials to discuss what's coming in next session. Discussion about processes and maybe writing some legislation.
- ✓ 10,000 K & AMBO pay for or legislative lobbyist out of their budgets, \$15,000 per year. May need contributions from other Chapters. Will SE Chapter be involved in funding for lobbyist?
- ✓ Discussion with group on legislative processes and tactics. Russell Thornburg made a motion to contribute \$500 to legislative committee of AMBO for lobbyist. Motion passed with 1 dissenting vote.
- ✓ Check out AMBO/SEMCO website.
- ✓ AMBO will be publishing new code books as done in the past.
- ✓ AMBO Chapter representative needs to be appointed today. Awards nominations for Code Official of the Year and Education Person of the Year.

New Business:

- ✓ Greg Karow reported contractors' license classes will be accepted as CEU's for building officials.
- ✓ Gary Yoder nominated as AMBO representative for SE Chapter. Motion/Passed
- ✓ Doug Morem nominated as Treasurer of SE Chapter. Motion/Passed
- ✓ Greg Karow nominated as Vice President of SE Chapter. Motion/Passed
- ✓ Russell Thornburg nominated as President of SE Chapter. Motion/Passed
- ✓ Ron Ripley nominated as Secretary of SE Chapter. Motion/Passed
- ✓ Acknowledgement by Russell Thornburg for Craig Hoium's support and input for the SE Chapter and meetings.

Adjourned: 2:30 p.m.