



MASSACHUSETTS FEDERATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS, Inc.

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Minutes

January 28, 2020

Location: Charlton Public Library,

Call to Order 9:32

Motion to accept minutes, motion passed

Old Business;

Apparel update with Bob Borden and Patrick Franey, Motion was made and seconded to allow up to \$6000.00 to buy Building Official apparel for the SEMBOA 2nd training in May.

Legislative Committee report on;

- HB 2121 (swimming pool legislation)
- HB 2089 Changes to chapter 9, MFBO opposed, send letter of opposition and petition to members of legislative committee

Retirement Committee report: Committee has been formed and is working on filing legislation by January 20221

Review of Bob Camacho's Learning Lab presentation at the MMA conference in Boston. Very well attended with positive feedback. MFBO will post picture on our Facebook Page.

New Business;

Special guests Dan Walsh and David Sullivan from The Division of Professional Licensure and Inspections. Board members ask our guess about additional train opportunities, lack of personnel at the department level, mechanical education and permits and sheet metal requirements for residential vs commercial.

ICC Region 5 Board President is looking to fill 3 board vacancies from Massachusetts Building Officials Associations. Possible nominees are Tom Wingard and Laurie Livoli

The State is looking for committee members for there Chapter 34 Committee. Motion was made and seconded to put forward Fred Leonardo. Motion approved.

MFBO choose to form a mechanical committee to standardize mechanical permits, Discussion; sheet metal and mechanical

BBRS update with Robert Borden

Motion to adjourn, 11:30 motion passed.



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February 25, 2020

Location: Charlton Public Library,

Motion to accept January Minutes, Motion seconded and passed.

Treasure's report and update on switching MFBO Bank account to new treasurer.

- Motion was made to pay Web-Master up to \$1000 to maintain the MFBO website, Motion was seconded and passed.
- Motion was made and seconded to reimburse R. Leibowitz and R Borden for expenses accrued at the MMA Conference, Motion passed

Apparel Committee report, K Nugent and P Franey;

Discussion;

- Less choice on the different kinds of apparel offered but more sizes available for each item.
- Receipts to be made available for reimbursement.
- Apparel Pricing to be decided at next meeting based on cost per item.

Legislative Committee Report,

House Bill 2089, The bill that would move IBC chapter 9 to the fire Department went to study House Bill 2024 Sprinklers in single family homes has moved to Ways & Means President Sheehan to reach out to Ways & Means Committee.

Senate Bill 2477, This Bill would add 4 members of the DOER to the Board of the BBRS, MFBO would oppose this Bill.

Board decided to write a letter of objection for SB 2477 and send out to the MFBO Board of Directors for approval.

Guest Walter White, Chairman of AAB Board of Directors spoke about staffing changes in Boston. The MFBO is concerned with the constant changes, at the State Level Management positions. All technical input is missing from the DPL causing concern with code enforcement officials.

The Retirement Committee has met and hopes to propose a legislative Bill to change the retirement standing of municipal building inspectors. The committee hopes to have the bill ready for the next legislative session.

ICC Chapter 5 request for a recommendation for three additional Board members put forth for consideration by the MFBO Board of Directors. The Board voted to nominate Tom Wingard, Kathy Nugent and Christopher White to be on the ICC Chapter 5 Board of Directors.

An HVAC code change proposal has been brought to the BBRS to be placed on the agenda to introduce a specialty license for HVAC installers.

Discussion; on the BOCC procedures for qualifying building officials to be able to take the required exams for certification.

Motion to adjourn, 11:51 Motion passed.



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March 31, 2020

Location: Online

Call to Order 9:30

Motion to accept minutes from February 25, Motion passed

Treasures report from Mike G and Tax-exempt status: Tax exempt status approved by the IRS with full reinstatement.

Corvid-19 Discussion;

- Construction guidelines
- Guidance to building officials
- CSL Expiration extension
- Personal municipal offices procedure changes

BBRS update; Covid-19 impact on 10th edition implementation

BOCC update with Mike

Motion to Adjourn: 11:00



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June 30, 2020

Location: Virtual

Call to Order 9:30

Motion to accept March minutes, motion seconded and passed.

Treasurer report:

Reminder to file 2019 form 990-n to the IRS before July 15. Discussion about bank accounts

HB 2477 amended to SB 2500 update on Climate change policy legislation.

Discussion and follow up on retirement classification, noted that electrical inspectors are by law classified as group two retirement. Discussion regarding board members reaching out to State Reps. for support of our Retirement Bill and look for co-sponsors.

Discussion of Corvid -19 effects on Building Department procedures

Facebook update...page slow going recommend incorporating all Associations meeting dates and information.

Update from Jeff Clemons on BOCC, all requirements frozen for time being.

Apparel update with Kathy Nugent

New Business;

ICC Region 6 update

10th edition building code on hold

IECC code committee update with Fred Lonardo



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August 25, 2020

Location: Virtual

Call to Order 9:30

Motion to accept July minutes, motion approved

Treasurers Report, Bills, account status

Apparel committee Report, Pay Pall account set up, choice of items for offering.

Legislative Committee, Senate Bill 2477, next generation climate policy, 4 members from DOER to possibly sit on the BBRS Board of Directors. **Police reform** - Qualified Immunity – potential impacts on building officials.

Group 2 Committee Report, Meeting with representative who will file our group 2 legislation.

Mechanical/ Sheet Metal Committee Report, review mission statement, Comment on letter to BBRS.

BOCC Report, Online CEU's for building officials, 43% of all building officials do not have required continuing education hours to meet certification requirements.

Existing Building Code Advisory Committee looking at code change.

Discussion on Region 6, representation for the ICC.

IECC Concurrency period, BBRS voted extension to November 8, 2020.

MFBO meeting dates 2020 - September 22, October 20, November 19, December 17.
First 6 months of 2021 to be held virtually on last Tuesday of the Month.



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September 22, 2020

Location: Virtual

Call to Order 9:30

Motion to accept August minutes, motion approved with corrections

Discussion; Group 2 retirement classification change for building officials.

How to have all building officials take ownership for proposed legislation, create a survey for age and length of service of building officials to establish cost of proposed legislation.

Apparel committee Report, Committee moving forward with web site access to offer apparel.

BOCC Report; BOCC working on qualifications for building officials.

ICC Regional update; Who currently represents Massachusetts and are they active.

MMA conference update; MMA Conference this year is virtual, there is an opportunity to place a video on a virtual conference booth.

MFBO Board of Director meeting dates for the first 6 months of 2021 will be held on last Tuesday of the months.

Next meeting October 20, 2020



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October 20, 2020

Location: Virtual

Next meeting 11/17/2020

Call to Order 9:30

Motion to accept September minutes, Motion passed

Group 2 Retirement legislation: Bill to be filed 1-2021

Senator John Velis will file the Bill to Amend MGL 32 section 3 to include Municipal Building Inspectors in Group 2 retirement

Seek support letters from FCAM, Fire Chief Association of Massachusetts and approach MMA Legislative Director, John Robertson

Discussion about police powers exercised by Building Officials

Review of talking point sheet and Building official survey

Old Business;

- Apparel Committee report, Pay Pal set-up and apparel selections
- BOCC update from Jeff Clemons
- Existing Building Code Advisory Committee report from Fred Lonardo
- BBRS October meeting review

New Business;

Virtual Presentation and Booth at the MMA virtual Conference



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MFBO Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2020

Location: Online

Call to Order 9:30

Motion to accept October minutes, Motion passed

MMA Virtual Conference update,

- Discussion on the financial online level of participation
- Discussion on possibility of offering an online Learning Lab
- Discussion on which committee members are going to do what
- Additional Committee meeting scheduled.

Group 2 Retirement legislation,

- Committee members assignments to contact,
 1. The MMA
 2. Fire Department Organization

Discussion on sending out a building official survey to collect data to help establish talking points.

Establish talking points for support Group 2 legislation

Discussion on looking into an intern to help with Association business.

Next meeting December 17, 2020



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December 17, 2020

Location: Virtual

Call to Order 9:30

Motion to accept November minutes, Motion passed

Motion was made to support the re-appointment of Bonnie Weeks as BOCC Member at Large, motion seconded and passed.

Group 2 Retirement legislation

Discussion: Amendment to MGL 32 section 3 to include Building Officials in Group 2 retirement.

- 250 Building Officials responded to recent MFBO survey
- Positive feedback from the Fire Chiefs Association
- Membership to reach out to Representatives and Congressmen to support proposed legislation.
- MFBO to open Zoom account to foster efficient communication.

Damian to update MFBO logo

MMA update, Secretary to reach out to Bob Camacho for MMA conference content

Next Meeting dates; January 26, February 23, March 30, April 27, May 25, June 2