



2023 4TH QUARTER

Code Minute Newsletter

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Important Information About MTCOA

MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 23-24 ARE NOW.

We also need all jurisdictions to update their staff list with all new hires when filling out due's forms. This helps with classes and participants receiving their hours. **Membership dues are now able to be paid on the [MTCOA website](#) by credit card!**

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- January 24 - SFMO 2016 State of Tiny Houses in Tennessee (ONLINE)
- February 21 - SFMO Inspecting Unsafe Structures (ONLINE)

PRESIDENTS INTRODUCTION

I would like to start off by thanking the board and each jurisdiction for the nomination and approval of the 2024 board members. I am honored to take over as president and look forward to 2024. I would also like to thank the 2023 board for everything that it did and the position that it has set up for this years board. My goal this year is to build upon that and set the next years board up in an even better position to excel. Some of the items that I will be challenging this board with is what new ideas do the new board members have. We will also be looking at offering the in person classes in new locations across the entire MTCOA region so that everyone has an opportunity to attend a class more local to your jurisdiction. I look forward to meeting people this year that I did not get to meet last year. If you have any questions please email board@mtcoa.org so we can have a record of your question and can get it answered. This year is only going to be as productive as the board members and they are as follows: Jerome Mathews - 1st VP, Brett Nash - 2nd VP, Michael Swiney - Treasurer, and Kristen Lenkowski - Secretary. I hope that everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,
Alex West
MTCOA President

KEY POINTS FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING

1. Annual Fees starting in July have increased for all jurisdictions by about 25%. The increase in fees was to cover the annual fees along with the classes for the next year.
2. The SFMO is getting closer to offering classes in Bell Buckle to get certified along with taking the ICC test while attending the classes.
3. Vol State Community College is working on offering classes that a student would receive a certificate of completion in codes in hopes to getting the next generation interested in codes and opening doors for those students.

STATE FIRE MARSHAL CLASSES

State Fire Marshals Office has started offering classes around the state for building certifications. The following links can be used to find information and sign up for classes [ENVISAGE Acadis® \(acadisonline.com\)](#). This is a good resource for in person classes and training for those looking for certifications.

NEW STATE LAW

The state legislation is bring back SB0707; HB1010 this law will drastically change and effect all codes departments in the state. We challenge you to do your research on this bill and contact your local State Senator & Representatives. Use this link to find your local legislators [Tennessee General Assembly \(tn.gov\)](#).