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<u>January</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>January</u>	January	<u>January</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>January</u>	No Meeting
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<u>May</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>May</u>	No Meeting	May	<u>May</u>	No Meeting	<u>May</u>	<u>May</u>
<u>June</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>June</u>	No Meeting	<u>June</u>	No Meeting	<u>June</u>
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<u>December</u>	<u>December</u>	Canceled Snow	December	No Meeting	<u>December</u>	No Meeting	<u>December</u>	<u>December</u>

Board Meeting Date: January 22, 2013

Location: Southbridge Savings Bank, 200 Charlton Rd

Attendance: Michael Mendoza; Bob Comacho; Dave Betts; Curtis Meskus; Art Lawler; Matthew Hakala; Dan Walsh; and Dave Jensen

Called to Order: 9:30am

Guest: Dorothy Harris and Christopher R. Noonan

Treasurers Report:

No Report at this time.

Minutes:

December minutes were discussed.

Meskus motion to accept the minutes
2nd by Hakala

All In Favor

Eastern States:

The President spoke about holding our March meeting at this event which will be held in Quincy. Discussion about raffle items and the selling of apparel was discussed as well as who could man the table during this event.

Elections:

The President reminded people that March is our time to elect our Board Members.

Sheet Metal:

The President presented a draft of a letter to the sheet metal board. Discussion.

Ticketing:

The President spoke on the proposed ticketing issue which would be done by the State Inspectors. Discussion.

Chapter 1:

The President discussed the review of Chapter 1. The President stated that there will be representation from each of the associations at this meeting. BOWN Dave Jensen, MBCIA Matthew Hakala and SEMBOA Michael Mendoza. Discussion.

Panel Discussion:

The President discussed the invitation to a panel discussion with EMNARI in March.

Fire Prevention Board:

The President announced that the Governor had signed SB2168 on January 10, 2013. Discussion.

Public Safety Secretary:

The President stated that Andrea Cabral would be the next Executive Office of Public Safety Secretary.

BFPR NFPA 1

The President stated that we had no representation at the January 3rd meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fund Raising:

No report at this time.

Legislative:

Mescus spoke about it and how it was working out. Discussion. The President spoke on taking the next step by filing legislation to MGL Ch. 22D Sec. 4. Discussion.

Code Development:

Mendoza had nothing to add to the current status regarding Chapter 1.

Public Relations:

Camacho went into length about handouts that he was working on and the status of the power point presentation and how the CD for local cable was coming along. Discussion.

BBRS Update:

Mescus spoke on the hearing. Discussion.

BBRS Training:

The President discussed his meeting with Anderson regarding what type of training the BBRS should put together for the BO. Discussion.

ISO:

The President stated that he has not heard anything new.

Mail Box:

The President stated that the mail box in Boston is no longer.

Fund Raising for Operating Budget:

The President discussed how to address the issue of financial support with the three associations. Discussion.

Association Presidents

Mendoza discussed the concern of the media promoting the flipping of houses. Discussion.

MMA:

The President discussed his conversation with the MMA and that they no longer needed a BO on their panel.

Adjourn: 12:05pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mendoza
Secretary

Board Meeting Date: February 25, 2013
Charlton Rd

Location: Southbridge Savings Bank, 200

Attendance: Michael Mendoza; Paul Tacy; Bob Comacho; Paul Spiro; Dave Betts; Tim FitzGerald; Curtis Meskus; Art Lawler; Matthew Hakala; Dan Walsh; Gary Stubbins; Tony Zahariadis; and Dave Jensen

Called to Order: 9:30am

Guest: Christopher R. Noonan

Treasurers Report:

No Report at this time. Discussion about our status for getting grants. Jensen stated that he will speak with the accountant to confirm that we are a 50/C3 group.

Minutes:

No minutes were available.

Annual Meeting:

The President stated that our Annual Meeting will be held in March at the Eastern States event which will be held in Quincy. Discussion about raffle items and the selling of apparel was discussed further.

Chapter 1:

The President discussed the review of Chapter 1. The three representative from BOWN Dave Jensen, MBCIA Matthew Hakala and SEMBOA Michael Mendoza discussed the progress of the meeting with the BBRs.

Panel Discussion:

The President reminded us about the up coming panel discussion with EMNARI on April 3 at the Natick Crown Plaza.

BBRS Meeting:

The President had meet with Rob Anderson at the SEMBOA February meeting. Paul Tacy was present along with Mendoza, to discuss the issue of flipping houses and the thoughts regarding homeowner exemptions. Anderson stated that there was an old code interpretation that he may revise and release, but that an official code interpretation may be the way to address these concerns. Discussion. Some suggestions: put a time limit on how long you lived at a house prior to getting a bldg permit under the homeowner exemption; having a homeowner get a one year license. The President suggested that anyone with ideas on this matter to email them to the secretary.

BFPR NFPA 1

They did not meet in February.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fund Raising:

Spiro spoke on the subject of block grants and that he would be looking into a webinar concerning the securing of block grants.

Legislative:

Hakala will look into items: H 3216 and the OPEB (Governors' budget). He will also spearhead 3 bills: H2103 and H2121.

Public Relations:

Camacho discussed his project for Public Safety Month and how to get the MMA involved. Discussion about advertising it in the Beacon may help. Discussion.

Elections:

Nomination as follows:

President

Zahariadis nominates Tacy
2nd by Meskus

Vice President

Mendoza nominates Hakala
2nd by FitzGerald

2nd Nomination

Tacy nominates Walsh
2nd by Zahariadis

2nd Nomination

Jensen nominates Meskus
2nd by Tacy

Treasurer

Zahariadis nominates Jensen
2nd by Betts

Secretary

Zahariadis nominates Mendoza
2nd by Fitzgerald

BBRS Update:

The President spoke on the discussion of Control Construction documents. Discussion.

ISO:

The President stated that he had spoken with Dorio and that they wanted to pursue the discussions from the May 2012 meeting. Will try to meet up with them on March 20th in Springfield.

Fund Raising for Operating Budget:

The President discussed how to proceed on this issue.

Adjourn: 12:07pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mendoza
Secretary

MFBO Meeting of March 26, 2013 held in Quincy, MA

Attendance:

Dan Walsh, Paul Tacy, Dave Jensen, Don Torrico, Curtis Meskus, Bob Comacho, Art Lawler, Matt Hakala, Joe Mikielian, Tony Zahariadis, Dave Betts, Tim FitzGerald, Gary Stubbins and Paul Spiro; Ex Officio Scott Lambiase; Guest Jeff Richards, ESBOF

Meeting called to order at 9:30 a.m.

MINUTES:

Minutes of January and February were discussed. Matt H motioned to change the February minutes to reflect that Paul Tacy was nominated for President and Vice President.

Tim F. motion to pass; Matt H second; Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS:

Dan Walsh stated that the annual meeting was moved to this date and the meeting was opened.

Dan W. motion to close the meeting; Tim F. second; Motion passed

Dan W. spoke on the review of Chapter 1 at DPS. Dave Jensen stated that there were a lot of additional strikeouts. There appear to be no “philosophical” changes and they are working to better organize items. The next step will be putting a draft before the board.

Dan W. spoke on the Eastern Massachusetts NARI round table conference in Natick on April 3, 2013. At present, Dan W., Mike M., Matt H. and Curtis M. plan to attend to represent MFBO.

Dan W. spoke on the Pool Association regarding licensure of installers. He stated that he would reach out to them for a meeting to discuss proposed legislation.

It was reported that there was no meeting of BFPR last month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fund Raising: Paul S. spoke on upcoming webinar regarding block grants on April 10, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. He stated that a 50/50 raffle would be conducted at today’s luncheon along with a raffle for some MFBO apparel.

Legislature: It was reported that approximately 65 bills are being watched on InstaTrac. Tim F. will update the board on those bills he has looked into at next month’s meeting.

Code Development: It was reported that there may be a code change regarding Radon. Dave J. and Bob C. will look into any changes and report back to the board.

Public Relations: Building Safety Month is in May and Bob C. is working on the PowerPoint presentation which should be ready for dissemination in the upcoming week or so. Tim F. is working on a larger poster that will be available for other communities to use and to place their own community's name on it. Bob C. spoke on getting an article in the MMA's Beacon. The last edition was being printed prior to his last submittal.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dan W. spoke on the ISO. He suggested that the Building Safety program be used to qualify for ISO credits. He reiterated that the ISO is a data collection company that gives the data to insurance companies and the insurance companies do with it what they want.

Dan W. spoke on the suit regarding actions taken by the Sheet Metal Board; to wit, stopping jobs and issuing fines.

Don T. spoke of the meeting with Andrea Cabral, Secretary of Public Safety. They discussed training and its availability along with the costs associated with such training.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The following were voted into office:

President	Dan Walsh
Vice President	Curtis Meskus
Treasurer	Dave Jensen
Secretary	Mike Mendoza

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at Sturbridge Savings Bank.

Paul S motioned to close the meeting.
Don T. second.
Passed

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul D. Spiro, CBO
Acting Secretary

Board Meeting Date: April 23, 2013

Location: Southbridge Savings Bank, 200 Charlton Rd

Attendance: Michael Mendoza; Paul Tacy; Bob Comacho; Dave Betts; Tim FitzGerald; Curtis Meskus; Scott Lambiase; Matthew Hakala; Dan Walsh; Gary Stubbins; and Dave Jensen

Called to Order: 9:30am

Guest: None

The President opened the meeting with a moment of silence for the Boston Marathon Victims.

Treasurers Report:

Jensen stated that we have spent \$5,000 and have a roughly \$720 balance. Discussion.

Meskus made a motion to accept the minutes
2nd by Hakala

All In Favor

Minutes:

Minutes were read.

Meskus made a motion to accept the minutes
2nd by Hakala

All In Favor

Chapter 1:

The President discussed the review of Chapter 1. No word on current status. Discussion.

Home Owners Discussion:

The President spoke on his contacting with EMNARI and that the Home Builders may be interested in addressing this issue. The President stated that we may have to take some lead on this to begin the process. Betts stated that he and Jensen would be the point people on this. Discussion.

Home Builders

The President spoke on a letter from the Home Builders regarding the issue of the sheet metal code.

Senate Bill 85

The President and Mendoza met with some representative from the swimming pool group to discuss their position on this bill. Discussion.

Letter from MBCIA

The President of MBCIA, Scott Lambiase, read a letter regarding the position of MBCIA regarding their participation with the MFBO, dated march 14, 2013. Walsh had drafted a letter of response and was discussed.

Jensen made a motion to send the letter
2nd by FitGFerald

Discussion. Walsh's letter will be sent to MBCIA, but also to the Presidents of the Association.

All In Favor

BFPR NFPA 1

The President had stated that they have not met in 2 months. The President will ask our representative where we are on this.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fund Raising:

Stubbins spoke on the subject of block grants and that he and Spiro both thought that these were not of any use for us until we find out what our tax status is. If we are a 501C6, then we will need to piggy back with someone because we are not tax exempt. The President asked for Jensen to see what it would take to make us 501C3. Mendoza stated that SEMBOA may want to look into becoming a 501C3, due to the scholarship they issue and if they can become one, then may be MFBO can piggy back on them.

9th Annual Massachusetts Bldg Official Ed Conference

Tacy, Spiro, and Stubbins will work both days.

Legislative:

The President went over the proposed bills. The President will have a letter, regarding HB 1093 for the May 7th hearing. kala will look into items: H 3216 and the OPEB (Governors' budget). He will also spearhead 3 bills: H2103 and H2121.

Public Relations:

We went over Zahariadis letter and decided that it still needed some work. The President will need changes to the letter by May 17th. Discussion.

Public Safety Month

FitzGerald made a poster so that you could add your community name to it. Comacho stated that the power point was being converted to a video.

BBRS Meeting:

The President and Meskus spoke about the April 10th meeting. The 2012 IECC hearing is being statue driven and the discussion was also about the issue that the BBRS Board has been told that they cannot speak on legislation issues. The subject of radon was discussed. Jensen will look into this and keep us informed.

ISO:

The President stated that there is no up date.

Fund Raising for Operating Budget:

The President stated that he will complete the draft on funding the annual budget.

Association Presidents

Tacy spoke of the concern that the BBRS could not comment on legislation. He proposed that some form of legislation should be drafted by MFBO, to give any committee to comment on any building code or that the BBRS opinion should be sought by the committee first. Discussion.

Other

The President will attend the April 30th Control Construction meeting.

Next Meeting

Due to the Holiday, the next meeting will be May 29th

Adjourn: 12:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mendoza
Secretary

Board Meeting Date: May 29, 2013

Location: Southbridge Savings Bank, 200 Charlton Rd

Attendance: Michael Mendoza; Paul Tacy; John Luther; Art Lawler; Dave Betts; Joseph Mikielian; Curtis Meskus; Scott Lambiase; Tony Zahariadis; Matthew Hakala; Dan Walsh; and Gary Stubbins

Called to Order: 9:30am

Guest: None

The President opened the meeting by introducing John Luther from MBCIA as their new representative.

The President spoke about Dottie Harris letter reminding everyone that you must register to vote. There was also a discussion of the possibility of renting a bus to the NJ ICC conference. Discussion.

Treasurers Report:

The President handed out Jensen's report and will ask him how well they did at the two day training at Taunton this past May. That information will then be passed onto the three associations.

Meskus suggested that we should start talking about next year's budget and some minor expenses. Discussion.

Meskus made a motion to accept the report
2nd by Betts

All In Favor

Minutes:

Minutes were read.

Meskus made a motion to accept the minutes
2nd by Hakala

All In Favor

Public Safety Month

The President thanked both Meskus and Comacho for their work on putting this together. Meskus stated that the video is on Youtube and he will be looking into having a narrative for it for next year.

Control Construction:

The President discussed how the documents were reviewed by the committee and that the proposal regarding to section 107 was still in the reviewing stages. Discussion.

Meeting about Accessible Homes for Marathon Survivors:

The President and Luther spoke about the meeting and its goals. The President stated that there will be a resource established to assist building officials in this process. Discussion.

Change to MGL 143:

The President discussed how the BBRS can not comment on legislation in a public forum and that maybe the MFBO should sponsor a bill to change MGL 143 to allow them the ability to speak. Tacy stated that maybe a change to Sec. 94, a bill which would say what the BBRS can do would be a better direction. Discussion. It was also suggest that changes to Sec. 97 should be done also. Discussion. The President will explore a possible sponsor.

Letter from MBCIA

The President of MBCIA, Scott Lambiase, spoke on the letter the President sent to MBCIA. Scott felt that the issue will be on going. Discussion.

BFPR NFPA 1

Mikielian stated that they have not met.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fund Raising:

The President thanked everyone who worked the table at the 2 day training event.

Legislative:

The President went over the proposed bills and has a report that went with the study of these bills.

HB 82 The President wrote and opinion and sent it in.
HB 232 Simplify procedure for homeowners. We said YES
HB 249 Simplify home improvement civil action with a committee. We said YES
HB 2115 Yearly elevator inspections. No position
HB 2124 CO alarms. We said NO
HB 2164 Smoke detectors in condo's. Fire Department to inspect. We said NO
HB 2178 Manufacture buildings. Regulations. We said NO
HB 2187 Every pool to be alarmed and inspected yearly. We said NO
HB 3404 Change to Bldg Code adoption process. We said NO
HB 2121 Enhance fire protection in 1and 2 families. We said NO
HB 2879 Landscape sprinkler system. We said NO
HB 2893 Local Option. We said NO
HB 2978 Energy efficient Construction. We said NO
SB 112 Define gas fitting. We said NO
SB 1526 Promote solar hot water. We said NO
SB 1195 Change make up of BFPR. We said YES
SB 116 Inspection of power operated doors. We said NO

BILLS GONE TO STUDY

HB 1093 Has been sent. We said NO
HB 1563 Legitimize structures after 6 years of use. No Position
HB 1867 Uniform address number location. No Position
HB 1869 Vacant and abandon buildings. No Position
HB 2148 Natural Gas Alarm. No Position
SB 76 Safe guard permitting. No Position
SB 1192 Illegal occupation of building. Post Pone for further discussion

REFILES

HB 2153 (refile of 2406) Fire system into MGL 146. We said NO
HB 2155 (HB 648) approved smoke detectors. We said NO
SB 85 (SB 291) Swimming pool licensing. We said NO

Tracy spoke on SB 79 (Good Samaritan bill). He feels it's a bill that is poorly written.

Code Development:

The President spoke on the proposal of the homeowner exemption. Betts also spoke on it and felt that maybe it just needed modification. Suggested that the Home Builders Assoc. should look into this. Discussion. Will move this idea forward.

Public Relations:

Discussed the idea of putting together a pamphlet on why homeowners should not pull the bldg permit. Discussion.

BBS Meeting:

Meskus spoke about the 2012 IECC energy code and that it will move forward. He stated that he had no idea if the subject of Radon is moving forward at this time. No new proposed stretch energy code is coming and the State is working on a state wide periodic inspection check list.

Association Presidents

Mendoza discussed the concerns about the continuing talk about Radon.

Other

The President and FitzGerald will meet with the home builders in Westborough. The President also will meet with Commissioner Gatzunis to discuss the issue of why they can't speak on issues.

Meeting in July:

Vote taken not meet in July.

Meskus made a motion not to meet

2nd by Hakala

All In Favor

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be June 25th

Adjourn: 12:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mendoza
Secretary

MFBO Meeting of June 25, 2013 held in Sturbridge, MA

Attendance:

Dan Walsh, Matt Hakala, Paul Tacy, John Luther, Art Lawler, Dave Jensen, Curtis Meskus, Dave Betts, Tim FitzGerald, Gary Stubbins and Paul Spiro

Guests: Brian Gale and Tom Perry

Meeting called to order at 9:32 a.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Dave Jensen went over the budget sheet along with expenses and receipts with their current balances.

Matt H. motion to accept report; John L. second Motion passed

MINUTES:

Dan Walsh moved to change last month's minutes to reflect additions to the members representing MBCIA; Scott Lambiase and John Luther. Also on page 3 of those minutes, Dan questioned under "Bills Gone To Study" that SB1192 was postponed for further discussion. After some discussion, Curtis Meskus stated that he will look at SB1192 and have further information at the next meeting

John L. motion to pass; Matt H second; Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS:

Dan Walsh discussed letter of Lynn Underwood who is asking for support to be considered as a member of the ICC Board of Directors. Curtis Meskus stated that it is difficult to take a position without knowing other candidates. Paul Tacy stated that positions should be made by individual Chapters.

Dan reported on BSAA meeting and its intent. He stated that Commissioner Gatzunis was trying to communicate that DPS will work with communities regarding any regulatory matters to overcome any barriers for permits. Any of these matters would go through a volunteer Project Manager to facilitate any issues.

Dan introduced MFBO guests; BBRs Board Members Brian Gale and Tom Perry. There was an open discussion for board members with Brian and Tom. Brian spoke on BBRs members giving testimony to the legislature. Further discussion ensued regarding C. 143 § 94. Paul Tacy talked on this issue and he spoke on possible changes to paragraph "C" of this section. The board further discussed this and decided to adopt Paul Tacy's proposal to change C. 143 § 94. MFBO will speak with a state representative and senator in this regard. Brian Gale spoke on the 2015

code with some talk that it might be adopted as possibly a “virgin” family of codes with no MA amendments.

Dan Walsh met with Chief Rogers of FCAM and spoke on their meeting and email exchange.

Dan stated that lobbyist, Charles Stefanini, was looking to meet with him to discuss various issues. Dan said that he would report back to the board after meeting with Mr. Stefanini.

Curtis Meskus discussed MFBO subscribing to Constant Contact. He spoke of its potential value to MFBO. The “lower end” subscription would give MFBO up to 500 contacts.

John Luther motioned to subscribe for this “lower end” fee.
Tim FitzGerald Second
Motion Passed

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fund Raising: Dan Walsh gave report on monies received (c. \$1,200) in gross clothing sales during the SEMBOA training sessions

Legislative: Dan Walsh spoke on his testimony for the licensure of glaziers.
A discussion was opened regarding HB2068.
Dave Betts motioned to take no position.
Paul Tacy Second
Passed

A discussion was opened regarding HB2121.
Dave Betts motioned to accept proposed testimony with some minor editing and some striking of words in the second to last paragraph.
Tim FitzGerald Second
Passed

A discussion was opened regarding HB2123.
Dave Betts motioned to accept testimony as written
Matt Hakala Second
Passed

A discussion was opened regarding HB2129.
Tim FitzGerald motioned to accept testimony as written
Matt Hakala Second
Passed

Paul Tacy spoke on SB1192 and SB79. He felt that we do not need to take a position on these.
Paul Tacy made a motion to not take a position on these bills
Tim FitzGerald Second
Passed

Code Development: A discussion opened on the code amendment proposal regarding homeowner exemptions. Paul Tacy noted some grammatical errors in the proposed amendment. The board decided to discuss this issue further at their next meeting in August.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There was a discussion on the meeting that some MFBO members had with the Home Builders' Association(s) regarding the stretch code. Continued work will be done with the HBAs' at future meetings.

There is no MFBO meeting scheduled for July. The next meeting will be held at the Sturbridge location on Tuesday, August 27, 2013.

Paul Spiro motion to adjourn
Matt Hakala Second
Passed

Meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul D. Spiro, CBO
Acting Secretary

Board Meeting Date: August 26, 2013

Location: Southbridge Savings Bank, 200 Charlton Rd

Attendance: Michael Mendoza; Tony Zahariadis; Robery Comacho; John Luther; Sam Joslin; Art Lawler; Scott Lambriase; Dave Betts; Curtis Meskus; Paul Spiro; Matthew Hakala; Paul Tacy; Tim FitzGerald; Dan Walsh; David Jensen and Joseph Mikielian

Called to Order: 9:30am

Guest: Jeffery Putnam

President opened the meeting by going over parts of today's agenda.

Treasurers Report:

Jensen spoke on the issue of stipends for all those that travel to meetings.

Jensen also spoke on the need for an all day meeting.

Meskus Motioned to approve the Treasurers Report.
Betts Seconded

All In Favor

Minutes:

June minutes were discussed.

Meskus motion to accept the minutes
2nd by Hakala

All In Favor

Secretary Cabral Meeting

The President spoke to remind the three association presidents about the meeting with Secretary Cabral on September 4th at 11am at 1 Ashburton Place.

Lobbyist

The President spoke on meeting with a lobbyist and the fee of between \$1,100 and \$1,500 per month. Discussion.

MGL 143

Zahariadis spoke about meeting with Representative Norton in September, in Clinton at 8:30am. Mendoza was working to set up a meeting with Senator Timilty. Discussion.

Meskus motion to move our next meeting to Clinton
2nd by FitGerald

All In Favor

BFPR NFPA 1/527CMR Sub Committee:

The President spoke on the issue that they have not met in awhile. Putnam stated that it was also quiet on his end.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

General Requirements: Louise Vera, No Report

Occupancy: John Luther, they have not met

Process: Dan Sullivan, No Report

Equipment: Ron Wetmore, No Report

Hazardous Materials: Ed Walsh, No Report

LEGISLATIVE

The President spoke on InstaTrac increasing to \$4,158. Discussion. Meskus will check to see how many people can be on the system.

Meskus motion to pay the invoice from InstaTrac
2nd by Tacy

All In Favor

The Following Bills were voted on:

- HB2124: 1 Oppose, All In Favor
- HB2153: All In Favor
- HB 2155: Jensen will rewrite it to include the standards
- HB 2164: All In Favor
- HB2187: All In Favor
- SB112: All In Favor
- SB 116: All In Favor
- SB1195: All In Favor

Code Development:

The President spoke on several code changes to Chapter 1, but there is no information about where it is at. The President will contact Mr. Anderson.

PR:

Discussion about bring new ideas to the table to get the word out to the public. FitzGerald will see if he could form a joint venture with FCAM on the subject of sprinklers. Discussion.

BBRS update

Meskus spoke on the fact that the IECC 2012 got voted in. Discussion.

ISO/Insurance Commissioner

The President stated that there has been no progress at this time.

Fund Raising

Mendoza stated that SEMBOA will be sending their contribution in September. Lambriase spoke that MBCIA BOD was not interested in funding MFBO through their coffers, but offered them their mailing list. The President tried to convey to Lambriase about how can MFBO move forward if MBCIA take this position. Discussion. Lambriase invited anyone to meet with the BOD to discuss the position of the MBCIA.

Association Presidents

Mendoza will talk with Dotti Harris about getting a table at Build Boston.

Next Meeting:

September 24th at Clinton Town Hall

Adjourn: 12:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mendoza
Secretary

Board Meeting Date: September 24, 2013

Location: Clinton Town Hall

Attendance: Michael Mendoza;; Bob Comacho; Dave Betts; Tim FitzGerald; Curtis Meskus;; Matthew Hakala; Dan Walsh; Paul Spiro; and Dave Jensen

Called to Order: 9:30am

Guest: Jeff Putman

The meeting started earlier with a meeting with Representative Harold Naughton to discuss several issues of concern.

Minutes:

Minutes were read.

Meskus made a motion to accept the minutes
2nd by Betts

All In Favor

Secretary Cabral: The President spoke on the meeting with Secretary Cabral. The following points were covered:

- The Building Inspectors would provide her with a report concerning the ISO. They would stress what worked and what did not.
- Secretary Cabral spoke about a public safety facility in Milford
- Discussed the proposed legislation to allow the BBRS to speak on public safety issues
- Discussed SB 1195
- Discussed the fact that Secretary Cabral asked the group about their position on Sprinklers

The President went over the draft to send to Secretary Cabral regarding the ISO. Discussion.

Sheet Metal Board:

The President discussed the letter he wrote to the Sheet Metal Board. Discussion. The President will draft up a letter based on the suggestions.

President Issues:

The President spoke on the propose legislation that would change MGL143 to include BBRS “shall” provide impute on proposed legislation. The President also spoke on the meeting with Senator Timilty on September 17.

The President spoke about the request from Abbie Goodman, ACEC/MA Executive Director, Director of External Affairs, The Engineering Center Education Trust, for the MFBO to support SB 795; the Good Samaritan bill for design professionals (see two attached doc) . The President was asked to attend the 9-20-13 ACEC Building Engineering Committee meeting.

Motion made by Betts to Send a letter of Support
Seconded by Meskus

All In Favor

2014 Budget:

The Treasurer discussed about the status from BOWM concerning their contribution.

Budget Operation

Mail box \$220.00, web site \$120.00, bank account \$192.00, Instatrack \$4,185.00.annually, printing \$400.00, postage/office supplies \$300.00, meeting space \$300.00, other/ contributions/ancillary expense \$550.00.

The 2014 (October 1 through September30) operating budget would be \$6,267.00.

Motion made by Meskus to Approve 2014 Budget
Seconded by Comacho

Discussion. The MBCIA letter regarding non-support raised a question on the issue of a quorum.

7 members voted.

All In Favor

BFPR NFPA 1/527 CMR Administration and Correlation Code Committee

They did not meet in September.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports, Received no other reports

General Requirements: Putman stated that they had met yesterday. No action taken, due to some concerns, at this time. Discussion to see if someone from BOWM can attend these meetings which is covering Chapters 10 through 20; seeing it is in their area.

Occupancy; John Luther, --- Did not meet.

Process, Dan Sullivan --- Did not meet.

Equipment: Ron Wetmore --- Did not meet.

Hazardous Materials: Ed Walsh --- Did not meet.

Legislative:

The President went over his draft position on HB 2155. Jensen did not send any changes on this.

Motion made by Spiro to send the draft
Seconded by Meskus

All In Favor

Code Development:

Mendoza stated that he had not heard anything. Will contact the BBRS to get status. Discussion.

Public Relations:

Comacho discussed his idea of working with Consumer Affairs. He suggested on drafting a letter to them, that they should look into doing a joint poster project. Discussion.

Meskus stated that he needed to make more brochures. He will find out the cost to cover the printing of 500 copies.

BBRS Meeting:

Meskus and the President brought the group up to date on the latest issues heard. Discussion.

MBCIA Letter:

The President spoke about the letter he received on September 23rd from the MBCIA. Discussion. Hakula suggest that we need to send a letter of response. The President stated that he would send a letter.

Fund Raising:

Mendoza stated that SEMBOA would be sending their contributions to the MFBO in the next month once the final members send in their dues.

Association Presidents

No activity

Other

No Activity

Next Meeting

October 22nd Southbridge Savings Bank

Adjourn: 12:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mendoza
Secretary

Board Meeting Date: October 22, 2013
Charlton Rd

Location: Southbridge Savings Bank, 200

Attendance: Michael Mendoza; Dave Betts; Tim FitzGerald; Curtis Meskus; Matthew Hakala; Dan Walsh; Paul Spiro; Joseph Mikielian; and Dave Jensen

Called to Order: 9:30am

Guest: Matthew Hakala and Joseph Mikielian

Treasurers Report:

Jensen reported that we have a budget for \$6,267

Minutes:

None available

President Issues:

The President spoke on his meeting with Commissioner Gatzunis. The following items were discussed:

1. Talked about the MBCIA decision. The Commissioner stated he will look into the matter.
2. Talked about the fact that the DPS will be supporting sprinkling of 1 & 2 Families in the 2015 code cycle. Discussion. The MFBO will not support local options on any part of the code.
3. Discussed the ISO report to Secretary Cabral. Will re-do the draft letter.
4. Discussion that the DPS and legislation is not on the same page.
5. Discussed the Clancy appointment. The President will send a letter to Secretary Cabral noting that the process for appointments was not followed.

Sheet Metal Board:

The President discussed the letter he wrote to the Sheet Metal Board. Discussion. The letter, with its amendments will be sent. Discussion as to who will attend the meeting on the third Thursday at Ashburton Place. Mike Grant of Wellesley is interested in going. Discussion. No issue with him going.

MGL 143 Legislation:

No update as to the status of the MFBO bill to allow the BBRs to speak.

Abbie Goodman:

The President stated that Commissioner Gatzunis will see if the Under Secretary can see if he can get FCAM to speak with the MFBO.

MBCIA Letter:

Discussion on the draft by the President. Draft approved to move forward and to send.

The President discussed having a committee reviewing the bylaws. Mendoza, Meskus and Jensen accepted the slots. Discussion.

Under Floor Protection:

The President discussed the final draft of the letter which needs to be submitted for the upcoming hearing in Boston.

BFPR NFPA 1/527 CMR Administration and Correlation Code Committee

They did not meet in October.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports, Received no other reports

General Requirements: No reports

Occupancy; John Luther, --- No reports

Process, Dan Sullivan --- No reports

Equipment: Ron Wetmore --- No reports

Hazardous Materials: Ed Walsh --- No reports

Legislative:

The President went over who will have access to Instrak. Findings will no longer be on the site.

Code Development:

Discussed Chapter 1. Will send comments to the State that we support a Chapter 1 Stand Alone and that it should serve both codes.

Public Relations:

Discussed the price on brochures. Discussed ordering 500, but to wait until the by-law has been amended.

BBRS Meeting:

No meeting.

Fund Raising:

Spiro spoke about a fund drive letter to be sent out. Discussion. The President wanted ideas to identify programs to give awards to.

Proposed Meeting Dates for 2014:

Discussion of future meeting dates.

Association Presidents

FitzGerald announced that he is the new President of Region 6. He asked the members to let him know if they have any concerns that he should bring to that group.

Next Meeting

November 26th at the
Southbridge Savings Bank

Adjourn: 12:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mendoza

Board Meeting Date: November 26, 2013

Location: Southbridge Savings Bank, 200 Charlton Rd

Attendance: Michael Mendoza; Michael Giampietro; Tim FitzGerald; Curtis Meskus; Patrick Franey; Richard Leibowitz; Dan Walsh; Robert Borden; Paul Tacy; Gary Stubbins; Bob Camacho; and Dave Jensen

Called to Order: 9:30am

Guest: Tony Zahariadis, Matthew Hakala and Joseph Mikielian

New Members:

SEMBOA had their elections and the new members from SEMBOA were in attendance. Introductions were made.

Treasurers Report:

SEMBOA contributed \$3,640. Tacy stated that he is waiting to hear back from BOWMs' Treasurer. Jensen reported that we took in \$14,000 and spent \$8,800. On clothing took in a net gain of \$1,125. Went over by \$7 on Travel, Dining and Meeting line item.

Meskus made a motion to accept the minutes
2nd by Leibowitz

All In Favor

Discussion: Jensen spoke about the issue of political campaigns and MFBO. Discussion.

Minutes:

Sept Minutes:

Meskus made a motion to accept
2nd by FitzGerald

All In Favor

Oct Minutes:

Add Tony Zahariadis to attendance.

FitzGerald made a motion to accept
2nd by Tacy

All In Favor

President Issues:

The President spoke on his meeting with Representative Harold P. Naughton on November 1st in Clinton.

Sheet Metal Board:

The President discussed the letter he wrote to the Sheet Metal Board. Discussion.

MBCIA Letter:

The President discussed the letter he wrote, in response to MBCIAs' position of no longer supporting the MFBO. No response has been sent back to the MFBO.

By Law Changes:

Curtis went first with his proposed changes. Discussion. Items discussed will be incorporated and re- submitted at the December meeting.

BFPR NFPA 1/527 CMR Administration and Correlation Code Committee

NFPA 1 appears to be moving forward. 527 may be heard in January. Next will be December 2nd.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

General Requirements: No reports
Occupancy; John Luther, --- No reports
Process, Dan Sullivan --- No reports

Equipment: Ron Wetmore --- No reports
Hazardous Materials: Ed Walsh --- No reports
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Legislative:

The President went over the following bills: SB 1195 – We Support; SB 1128 – We Opposed; HB 2121- We Opposed; HB 2123- We Opposed; HB 2124- We Opposed; HB2129- We Opposed; HB 2153- Discussion of this being taken out of building code; HB- 2155- We Opposed

The President spoke about MBCIA’s President publicly supporting HB 2121; which would take the authority from the building official and give it to the fire chief. Discussion.

Code Development:

Discussed Curtis General Principals. Sheet metal still being reviewed. Discussion. Floor Protection (HB 2153) Discussion.

Public Relations:

Discussed a letter to Consumer Affairs to see if they would be interested in a joint venture.

BBRS Meeting:

Curtis spoke on what he picked up from the hearing. They are holding off on the Chapter 1 and Chapter 9 changes and have tabled Chapter 34.

Fund Raising:

No new items to discuss.

Association Presidents

No comments from the Presidents;

Other

FitzGerald talked about his concerns regarding the direction that the BBRS is taking. Discussion.

Next Meeting

November 26th at the Southbridge Savings Bank

Adjourn: 12:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mendoza

