



MASSACHUSETTS  
FEDERATION OF  
BUILDING OFFICIALS

Kathy Nugent  
President

Patty Sheehan  
Vice President

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## Officers

President – Kathy Nugent  
Treasurer – Dave Lindberg

Vice President – Patty Sheehan  
Secretary – Damian Cote (recorder of minutes)

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## Minutes

September 27, 2022

Location: Westborough Town Hall and Remote via

Call to Order 9:29

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**Motion to accept:** August 30, 2022 minutes, Motion passed

**Treasurer's Report:** Operating account and Legislative accounts report. \$7,732 operating and \$8,413 legislative. No significant changes to report. Motion to accept/approve, passed

**Discussion:** Richard Liebowitz, MMA conference we have a table and need help manning it. Bill Nash (ICC) committed to contributing to cost. Damian Cote will send a request to members to volunteer with event details.

**Discussion:** Patty spoke on bylaw revisions. Item not resolved is the dues from sub-organizations. This was asked to be sent back to the organizations for input. Damian suggested we establish a digital payment possibility on the MFBO webpage.

**Discussion:** Review of the meeting with the state commissioners on 9-26-22. Request was made by MFBO if the training location can become permanent for building officials. An update on adopting the 10th edition was discussed. An act to allow 10 communities to ban fossil fuel in new construction was discussed. The new energy code will be in effect Jan 2 per the commissioner of DOL. There is a chance the new governor will freeze all pending changes to regulation. 255CMR appliance standards were discussed and the state plumbing board is supportive of becoming the enforcement authority. Jeff Clemons recommendation to the BBRS still not approved, Bill Nash noted the state had this and was looking at it.

**Discussion:** Review of recent BBRS activity included a request for NFPA1 attempting to take over multiple sections from 780CMR. The iso rating for the state and communities will drop significantly lower if more than 2 cycles of code behind. Richard Crowley noted there was a significant reduction in staff to support the BBRS in his tenure

**Discussion:** Mike Giampiero gave an update on communities hiring contractors without a commissioner. He noted that all members should submit syllabus when requesting CE credit.

**Discussion:** Damian asked if we could invite the governors race frontrunners to a meeting with the officers of the MFBO. An info/ take away sheet will be created and invites sent out.

**Discussion:** BRIC funding was brought up by Bill Nash and he offered to help where he could

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**Motion:** to adjourn 11:25

**Attendance;** Damian Cote, Kathleen Nugent, Kevin Ross, Richard Leibowitz, David Lindberg, Patty Sheehan, Fred Lonardo, David Jenson, J O'Neill, Patrick Franey, Bill Nash, John Zachariewicz, Richard Crowley, Tony Zaharladis, Mike Giampietro, Paul Martin, David Gardner