

NYSBOC BOARD OF DELEGATES

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: September 13, 2012

LOCATION: Vernon, NY

* President Wayne Cichon called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM

* Pledge of Allegiance

* Moment of silence for deceased members. Jim Morganson read the list of the deceased members with 2 additions: Cort Wilkins from WSTB and Carl Hathaway from Northern Adirondack. Dottie also requested the list be emailed to her.

* A roll was called and the following were present: (See Attached Sheet.)

Chapter	Name	X	Name	X	Name	X
Board	Cichon, Wayne	X	Morganson, Jim	X	Cusato, Ed	X
Board	Mekulik, Don	X	Scarson, Doug	X	Schwarz, Mark	X
Capital	Cordell, Robert	X	Griffith, Roger	X	Theriault, Rick	X
Capital	Ricotta, Sam	X	Kinizzo, Tom (A)			
Central	Keeler, George	X	Williams, John	X		
Columbia	Ferratto, Edward		Pratt, Kent		Vieni, Charles	
Finger Lakes	Bailey, Jim	X	Crooks, Jack	X	Morris, Pat	X
	Rech, Terry (A)					
Mid Hudson	Thompson, Bruce	X	Corrao, Thomas	X	Parrington, Denis (A)	
Mohawk Valley	Fletcher, Robert	X	Stine, Rich	X		
Monroe	Bowers, Don	X	Drexler, Rob		Scarson, Doug	X
Nassau	Bonnie, Robert	X	Haramis, Stephen	X	Malitino, Michael	X
Niagara	Bleichfeld, Rich		Eberhardt, Jim	X	Rank, Kevin	
Niagara	Hazen, Rich		Metzger, Dave (A)	X		
Northern Adirondack	Morganson, Jim	X	Kent- Wheeler, Sharon	X		
Ontario	Benedict, Al	X				
Rockland	Berrios, Ruben	X	Buckley, Thomas			
Southern Tier	Cross, Brent	X	Ezell, Kevin	X	Platt, Richard	
Southern Tier	Knickerbocker, Wm (A)	X				
St. Lawrence						
Suffolk	Donnelly, Joseph		Frabrizio, Edward		Maher, Tom	X
Tri County	Canfield, Gerard		Jaques, Eugene	X	Gettel, BJ	X
Westchester	Blasi, Frank	X	Tarchine, Ralph		Testa, Michael	
WSTB	LaBarbera, Chuck	X	Monaco, John	X	Pacanowski, James	X
Yates	Lyon, Bruce	1				

NYS DOS	Addario, John	X	Nemeth-Weisser, Julie		Nichols, Dan	
NYS DOS	Piester, Ron	X	Bradshaw, Eric	X		
Log Editor	Eberhardt, Jim	X				
Past Pres	Casella, Dan	X	Copp, Wm. Scott	X	Flanigan, John	X
Past Pres	Gregory, William		Kiebel, Ron		McCabe, Dennis	X
Past Pres	McDaniels, Steve	X				
ICC	Drexler, Rob		Harris, Dottie	X	Piester, Ron	X

Distinguished Guests: No Guests

Secretary's Report: Don Mekulik
Quorum is present

Presidents Report: Wayne Cichon
Correspondence for people requesting support to the ICC.

Treasurers Report: Douglas Scarson
Motion to accept by Jim Morganson and BJ Gettel. Agreed and carried.

Committee Reports:

ABM Committee: Don Mekulik

ABM 2013: Region 1: Fort William Henry for the 85th Anniversary – September 11th – 13th, 2013
Room, meals, and breaks, at a cost of \$400 per person. What Chapters contribute and how much determines what gets developed. All Region 1 Chapters present agreed to contribute once more information becomes available. Don said he would get a letter out to all soon. A motion was made to go to Lake George for the 85th Anniversary by BJ Gettel and 2nd by Kevin Ezell. Agreed & Carried.

If there is any other chapter that wishes to participate, all assistance is greatly appreciated.

Ambassadors Report: Steven McDaniels & Past Presidents

Dan Casella – request for reimbursement of activities from June. The budget line item was reduced. Keep track of your expenses and at the December meeting adjustments can be made then.

Building Log: Jim Eberhardt

We are in the process of changing the face of the log. Jim is looking for articles, upcoming conferences, classes, and pictures.

Bylaws: Jim Bailey & BJ Gettel

A motion to accept the amendments for the changes to the bylaws as accepted at the June Meeting and that were posted on the website as well as emailed to the delegates by Bob Bonnie and 2nd by Rich Steine. Agreed and carried.

Certification - NYSBOC: Donald Mekulik
CPCA – (name to be added)

Codes Council: John Flanigan
Meeting is next Wednesday.

Codes Development Committee: Kevin Ezell
Not able to attend - Final action hearing coming up

Codes Division: Ron Piester

Glad that the turnout was great for this conference. The Governor is pitching a strong message on how we can contribute to the economic development. The Code Council established a Technical Subcommittee to develop the 2012 Codes to be in place by 2015. This has now changed. The Energy Code will be done by July 2013. This is a mandate by Federal Government. The Uniform Code to be updated by Spring of 2014. Discussion followed. There may need to be statutory changes.

Code Books for the municipalities will be the next phase. Cost is a factor and distribution. There is a need to have an efficient way to access codebooks to the communities. Free access to the enhance version to do away with paper version. The majority of those people present agreed. Discussion will follow in the future. Abandon current practice of code books. It will more important for everyone to participate in the IC Code Process in the future. Access to reference standards, commentaries, and evaluation reports will also need to be done. Discussion followed

Technical Assistance in Albany will be harder to get. There are over 20 vacancies in the Codes Office. We are hoping to fill some of the vacancies soon. Changes had to happen such as answering phone calls. We are advising people to call the code official first, then regional offices. We are trying to deflect as much as possible but with the staff resources we have.

John Addario gave a quick overview of training unit. Developing on line training with 5 more courses. State wide management system has to be updated. Manual entry is taking some time. Outreach for the SLMS System, once updated then training will begin. Next year the State will be offering a 3 hour school inspection program and a class on fire alarm systems. We are only offering 6 hrs for the first half of the year. Only have 4 trainers and that is due to people retiring. We are also revising the basic training classes.

Going through paper records to get them entered, takes time. The extension is still in place. With the new regulations, there is some lag time to use. Hours will still be 24 hours.

Eastern States: John Flanigan
The new Eastern States items will be on line within a week for the Boston Conference.

Emergency Management: Dan Casella
2012 annual report submitted. Educational presentations have been approved by DCEA.

ICC: Dottie Harris & Ron Piester
The remote voting will take place this year. Make sure we have a corrected list by September 21st for you to participate to register electronically.

Legislative/Technical Committee: Robert Cordell
We visited the capital during safety month. Thanked those that attended. Two public officials received awards.

Betty Little: Received Raising the Profile from the ICC.

Dean Skelos: Received Legislature of the Year Award from NYSBOC.

We talked about the supplying of the code books and they keep saying it's a good thing just need to find the money. This can be budgeted on a 3 year cycle.

10510A – Assembly McKivitt has sponsored a bill that makes it a felony to assault a code official while they are doing their duty. Now we need a Senator to also sponsor this bill.

Dottie mentioned focusing on the ICC process vs. New York State. Strong opposition for non legislative positions. Example: Senator Kathy Young that would prohibit residential fire sprinklers. These issues are very problematic.

Membership Committee: BJ Gettel

No report

Codes Coalition: Gene Jaques

The recommendations for the upcoming endorsements for the ICC Positions.

Ron Piester - Pres

Steve Jones - VP

Guy Tomberlin - Sec/Treas

Board of Directors:

Ron Hoover

Tina Rakes

Sharon Meyers

Greg Wheeler

William Bill Bryant

A motion to allow the NYSBOC members that are present at the meeting in Portland to make decisions for NYSBOC by Steve McDaniel and John Flanigan. Discussion followed. Agreed and Carried.

Northeast Region 6: Wayne Cichon appointed Stephen Haramis to represent NYSBOC.

Scholarship Committee: Wayne Cichon

There were 9 awards given out this year. Wayne appointed Tom Corrado to Chair the Scholarship Committee.

Website Management: James Bailey & BJ Gettel

Continuing to seek info and articles, conferences. Recently imported all the email addresses. The flow is still over 350 visits with more time staying on pages.

Old Business: Jim Gooly

Chapter of the year award for 2013 through the ICC. Gave a brief report on the 5 criterias and how we need to demonstrate how to achieve this goal.

- 1) Chapter membership: How to increase membership

- a. Example: created an educational program
- 2) Promoting missions of the ICC
- 3) Develop the professionalism of code officials
- 4) Participation in state, local, regional, and national activities.
- 5) Promote programs that have continuing education and to get people involved from the high school level. i.e. Students in vocational schools

This will cost money and we will be asking Chapters to contribute. Discussion followed.

New Business:

Honorary Members: A motion to approve Mickey Palozo from Mid Hudson and Pat Morris from Finger Lakes as honorary members by John Flanigan and second by Don Bowers. Agreed and Carried.

Election of Officers: Steve McDaniel

President: Jim Mrganson

1st VP: Ed Cusato

2ND VP: Don Mekulik and Chuck LaBarara

Sect: BJ Gettel

Historian Mark Schwarz

A motion for the Secretary to cast one ballot for the uncontested seats by Bob Bonnie and second by Jim Baily. Agreed and carried.

2nd VP: Chuck LaBarara

Don Mekulik

Steve started the ballots for the 2nd VP. Chuck LaBarara has now gracefully declined to run for the position. The President thanked Chuck LaBarara. A motion for the Secretary to cast one ballot for the 2nd Vice President seat by Kevin Ezell and second by Jim Eberhardt. Agreed and carried.

Next Meeting date & location:

December 7, 2012: Holiday Inn, Middletown

March 1, 2013: Central Chapter, Syracuse

June 7, 2013: Slingerland Fire House, Slingerland

September 2013: Fort William Henry Hotel, Lake George

Motion to adjourn meeting made by: BJ Gettel and second by Jim Bailey.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Mekulik
NYSBOC Secretary



This page is dedicated in Memory of

*Michele Bonsteel, Past Chairwoman Hudson Valley CEO Educational Conference
and Mid Hudson Chapter*

Walter Barrett, Town of Wallkill, Education Chairman, Tri County Chapter

Daniel Carlstrom, Private, Tri County Chapter

Donald Clark, Town of Bethel, Retired, Tri County Chapter

F. Robert Danni, Private, Niagara Frontier Chapter

Harold Dougherty, Village of Brookville, BIANCO Chapter

*Michael Giardina, Village of Brookville, Nassau County, Town of North Hempstead
and Past President BIANCO Chapter*

Carl Hathaway, Northern Adirondack Chapter

Donald Imeson, Liverpool Fire Dept, Central Chapter

Earl F. Lorence, Sr., Columbia Greene Chapter

Thomas Lyons, Town of Wawayanda, Tri County Chapter

Dale Moteyunas, Town of Amboy, Central Chapter

John Tinnerillo, Private Contractor, Tri County Chapter

Cort Wilkins, Western Southern Tier Chapter