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BUREAU OF FIRE SERVICES
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STATE FIRE SAFETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 24, 2013

Members Present

John Enkemann
Greg Herman
Donald Hicks
Dr. Ralph Hodek
Mark Jensen
Andrew Lenaghan
William Mayes, Vice-Chair
Dr. Usamah Mossallam
Kassandra Renneberg
Les Rodwell, Chair
Ron Sabin
John Wozniak

Members Absent

Rich Miller, SFM
David Henry
David Herbel
Thomas Lippens
Dean Mallos

Guests

Beth Bacon, HCAM
Chuck Block, Spectrum Health/MiSHE

Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Personnel

Kim Osborn, BFS/Executive Secretary to the Board

CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. Chair Rodwell asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Chair Rodwell requested a moment of silence for public safety officers and the military. Roll Call by Board Secretary Kim Osborn determined that a quorum was present. Chair Rodwell gave emergency exiting procedures. Introductions were made by Board Members and guests.

Agenda

Chair Rodwell requested any additions, deletions or changes to the agenda. No changes.

Disposition of Minutes

Chair Rodwell requested a review of Meeting Minutes of the September 5, 2013.

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Mayes to approve the minute. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Board Member Herman. **MOTION CARRIED.**

BUREAU OF FIRE SERVICE REPORT

Kim Osborn gave an update for SFM Miller in his absence.

BFS Audit:

The bureau was issued 24 audit memos. The bureau is working on responding to those memos and correcting processes. The audit will be available to the public early next year for review.

Single Fire Code:

NFPA has made their presentation to the State-wide Single Fire Code Adhoc Committee. The Adhoc Committee is formulating a list of pros and cons to either choice. It may take several meetings to reach a decision. At the conclusion, a letter will be drafted with a recommendation to the Governor regarding the preferred state code.

SAFER (Sustainable Achievable Fire Emergency Response):

Committee continues to meet and is developing documents for the governor.

SFM Miller will share those developments as soon

Fireworks:

The bureau recently met with national stake holders to discuss the fireworks program. The department is planning to open the fireworks rules to rewrite them to better match the statute. Current certificates that were issued last year expire 4/30/14. Those certificate holders must reapply to sell in 2014. FW Registration will reopen January 1, 2014, for renewals and new vendors.

FFTD:

Fireworks Safety Fund distributed to Counties for Fire Training

Each county was awarded \$10,000 from the Fireworks Safety Fund for fire training. The Fireworks Safety Fund was created by the 6% fire safety fee added to all fireworks sales in the state. The \$10,000 can be used for conducting FFTD approved courses. The funding can also be used for special fire training classes upon approval of the

Michigan Fire Fighters Training Division. If anyone has questions they can call the FFTD Manager at 517-335-3496.

State Fire Training Departments are Now Eligible for Assistance for Fire Fighter Grants (AFG)

For the first time, State Fire Training Agencies are eligible to apply for AFG grants. The states, ineligible before to apply, can now request up to \$500,000 in grants, with each of the 50 states competing for a share of the \$8,000,000 fund. Due to the government shutdown, the application period has been delayed. Once the dates are set, the Bureau of Fire Services, Fire fighter Training Division will be applying.

Legislative Update

HB 4946

A letter has been sent to Rep. Geiss from the board opposing section 3 of the bill.

SB 307

Amends PA 33, changes the definition of "qualified city" in reference to local government levy tax on police and fire.

SB 235

This bill amends the Building Officials and Inspectors Registration Act to require the State Construction Code Commission to allow for the registration of an individual as a fire protection systems plan reviewer or a fire protection systems inspector without having to take and pass an examination if the individual is properly certified by certain national fire protection organizations, such as NFPA.

The bill is currently awaiting the governor's signature

HB 4272

HB 4272 would amend PA 207 requiring the governing body of a school that operates any of grades K-12 adopt and implement a cardiac emergency response plan and drill for the school; adding an AED drill in place of 1 of the 8 required annual fire drills.

It was discussed by the board that AED devices are not even required in schools and it might be a good idea to require the devices before putting the requirements of HB 4272 in place.

This is still in committee taking testimony. SFM Miller testified that he was in agreement with adding the AED drill but not in favor of removing a fire drill.

Administrative Rules Update

All rules are status quo from last meetings update, except the Dormitory and Health Care rules have moved on to ORR, the Office of Regulatory Reform.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Governor issued proclamations for Fire Prevention Week and Campus Fire Safety Week.

A draft 2014 SFSB Meeting Schedule was distributed to board members. Members will review and finalize at the December 5, 2013 meeting.

Fireworks Appeal Decisions

Please note David Henry and David Herbel are absent but have stated in writing that they uphold SFM Miller's decision on all five appeals.

The Appeals process will follow the Fireworks Safety General Rules, specifically Rule 22.

FW-01-13, called to order at 1:38 p.m., 10/24/13, at conclusion of roll call vote SFM Miller's decision was upheld in support of 14 votes and no denials, passing unanimously, adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

FW-02-13, called to order at 1:41 p.m., 10/24/13, at conclusion of roll call vote SFM Miller's decision was upheld in support of 14 votes and no denials, passing unanimously, adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

FW-03-13, called to order at 1:43 p.m., 10/24/13, at conclusion of roll call vote SFM Miller's decision was upheld in support of 14 votes and no denials, passing unanimously, adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

FW-04-13, called to order at 1:45 p.m., 10/24/13, at conclusion of roll call vote SFM Miller's decision was upheld in support of 14 votes and no denials, passing unanimously, adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

FW-05-13, called to order at 1:47 p.m., 10/24/13, at conclusion of roll call vote SFM Miller's decision was upheld in support of 14 votes and no denials, passing unanimously, adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

The decision of the Board will be mailed to the appellant in these cases. The letter shall contain notice of the right of interested parties to file an appeal to the Michigan administrative hearings system (mahs) within 28 calendar days of issuance of the board's decision.

New Fireworks Appeals

Packets are ready for members to review for Appeal decisions at the December 5, 2013 meeting, including FW-06-13, FW-07-13, FW-08-13, FW-09-13, and FW-10-13.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held Thursday, December 5, 2013, at 1:00 p.m., at 3101 Technology Blvd., Suite H, Lansing, MI.

ADJOURMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Mayes and supported by Board Member Mossallam to adjourn the meeting at 2:02 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Approved



Chair, State Fire Safety Board

5-DEC-2013
Date