

NWBIA Meeting Minutes for:

03 / 16 / 2023

Meeting Location:

Viking Bowl and Lounge
Colfax , WI

Members Attending: In person (13).

Dahlke, Wirth, Nizzi, Flatland, Wert, Gray, Weber, Koepp, Livingston, Atwood, Kowieski, Borner, Mattson

Members Attending: Virtually (6)

Vicki L., Skemp, Smith, Everson, McNamara, Kegley

Meeting Minutes:

President Borner called the meeting to order after Livingston established a connection with those members attending virtually.

President Borner reviewed the minutes from the last meeting, Motion to approve by Livingston, 2nd by Smith. Motion passed.

Treasury report by Wert. \$31,298 current balance, but the costs and income from the Winter Update Classes is not yet known. Also billing concerns with Web Page service provider were noted by Wert.

Motion to accept treasurer's report made by Dalke , 2nd by Flatland. Motion passed.

President Borner noted that annual Dues are due.

Discussion of Winter Update Classes held in Eau Claire followed. Electrical session was said to be a little "over our heads" . Wert reminded all that the NFPA would do free training and provide free Code books when the State switches to the next Electrical Code revision and the State must approve using the NFPA in place of using the IAEEI . Discussion followed with questions as to why the State may or may not approve using the NFPA. Kowieski spoke on the Plumbing Session, about 50 in attendance and it went well despite a last minute change in who the speaker was. It is hoped to continue the Plumbing day in the future because the League of Municipalities have stopped holding plumbing classes. It was also noted that plumbing Code changes are in the hands of the legislature. If the legislature does not approve this session then the approval process starts all over again.

Reminder was made of the Building Inspector Institute April 19 - 21 in Oshkosh. NWBIA will pick up the cost of those classes. Discussion followed as to the sessions being ANSI changes to the ADA IBC Adopted Standards, and what other sessions will be offered.

President Borner moved to the next agenda item which was a review of proposed updates and corrections to the NWBIA By-Laws. Joe Atwood who is on the Legislative Committee was present and had issued the changes previously via Email. Borner stepped through the various corrections and revisions. Discussion, explanation and questions for the By-laws dealing with inspector of the year began before lunch.

Break for Lunch.

Discussion continued on the revisions to the By-Laws. The nominating Committee for the inspector of the year is to be composed of 5 former inspectors of the year. Drawing from a hat is to decide any tie vote for inspector of the year. After other details and changes were discussed a motion was made to “Accept the revised By-Laws as discussed and ammended and the final revised version will be voted on at the next meeting. Motion by Nizzi, 2nd by Matt Flatland.

Discussion then moved to the NWBIA Website. Dahlke has updated the site by deleting the link to the Facebook group, delete minutes section, and deleting the pay - on - line for membership fees. The online membership form download shall remain. Much discussion on costs. Dallke stated a price from a competing web design and hosting service. Nizzi moved to assign and pay a member to be website administrator. Motion died for lack of a second. Wert gave prices for billings for the past three years: \$476 in 2021, \$116 in 2022, \$626 in 2023. Dahlke to contact current web designer / host (JJ) to get the info on the current contract.

Discussion next moved to Code discussion concerning FRP reinforcing. Earlier conversations had with Jack Miller indicated that it was not approved for use in the UDC where reinforcement was required. Two “cut sheets” were passed around, one for the “Pink” Owens Corning brand and the other one for “Gator Bar” . One noted ESR 4664. Smith stated to be sure the ESR was of the ICC brand. There was no actual product to view. Nizzi stated that unless the ACI had adopted Code on any of it then as far as he was concerned it was not a Code approved material and that the ductility of the FRP was different from steel and that changed everything.

Discussion moved on to “shed houses” aka Shouses. Dalke provided Power Point slides of the various structures out there masquerading as dwellings which ranged from offsite manufactured glorified yard barns to pole buildings. Consensus was if it didn’t meet the UDC it wasn’t allowed.

The Next meeting to be May 18th in Amery.

Motion to adjourn by Nizzi, 2nd by Gray. No discussion. Passed.