

SOUTH DAKOTA ELECTRICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of the Electrical Commission meeting held on April 17, 2014 in Room 413 at the State Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota.

The meeting was called to order by President Jesse Smith at 8:30 AM.

The following members were present: Jesse Smith, Steve Nielsen, Duane Mergen, Tim McIntyre, Robert Cronin and Cam Becker.

Others present were: JJ Linn – Executive Director, Diana Peterson – Office Secretary, and Jeff Larus - Inspector City of Rapid City.

Motion by McIntyre; Seconded by Nielsen to approve the minutes of October 17, 2013. Motion approved by roll call vote.

Inspectors report:

- Director Linn reviewed the current list of inspectors.
- Director Linn reported the inspectors reviewed the 2014 Code changes at their October meeting. The inspectors made recommendations as to the proposed rule changes and did not recommend any exemptions to the 2014 Code.
- Director Linn reported that currently the Commission has two inspector positions open.

Old Business:

- Director Linn reported on the status of the database. The permit portion of the database is working correctly. The report section is not up to par. An outstanding punch list has been provided to BIT to address.

New Business:

- Director Linn provided the members the proposed rule changes for review.
- Director Linn presented a request from Hilborn, Warner, Carter, & Associates to be 3rd Party Inspectors. Motion by Becker; Seconded by Mergen to approve Hilborn, Warner, Carter, & Associates as 3rd Party Inspectors. Motion approved by roll call vote.

Reports

- The reports for October 2013 through March 2014 were reviewed.
Motion by Mergen; Seconded by Cronin to approve the reports. Motion approved by roll call vote.

New Business (continued):

- A public hearing regarding proposed rule changes began at 10:00 AM. Director Linn noted a motion to approve rules as presented for submittal to the Rules Review Committee was approved by the Commission during the public hearing.

Code Committee: No Report

President's report: President Smith thanked everyone for attending the meeting and rules hearing.

Director's report:

- Director Linn provided the members with an update on the Bruce Cozine installation at the Korzan Lodge.
- Director Linn reported progress is being made in the listing of fan enclosures on grain bins.
- Director Linn informed members the audit had been completed.
- Director Linn updated members regarding jurisdiction on federal projects.
- Director Linn requested members to inform him if they are interested in becoming President of the Commission as President Smith did not intend to seek nomination for an additional term.
- Director Linn updated members on prosecution. The licensee in Hughes County was found guilty. A settlement was reached with the Commission as to his outstanding balance.

Upcoming meeting dates:

May 1, 2014 – Inspectors Meeting - Pierre

May 2-3, 2014 – SD Electrical Council Convention – Pierre

July 17, 2014 – SD Electrical Commission Meeting - Pierre

Motion by Mergen; Seconded by Nielsen to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved by roll call vote.

Cam Becker, Commission Secretary