

SOUTH DAKOTA ELECTRICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of the Electrical Commission meeting held on April 19, 2007 at the Americinn, Chamberlain, South Dakota.

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Simonson at 9:00 A.M.

Members present were Larry Simonson, Harlan Nielsen, Steve Nielsen, Allen Brown, Linda Eidem, Cam Becker; absent Pete Bolzer.

Others present for all or parts of the meeting were Dan Larson - District #6 Inspector, Ron Nagle – Executive Director, Diana Peterson – Office Secretary, Dennis Christopherson – Preform Solutions, Sioux Falls, Paul Muth – Muth Electric, Mitchell, Chuck Mello – Underwriters Laboratories, Camos, WA, Bernie Hall – City of Rapid City Inspector, Rapid City, Jeff Eclchoff – Dept of Tourism & State Development, Pierre, Pam Roberts – Dept of Labor, Pierre, Todd Kolden – Dept of Labor, Pierre, Connie Reiner – Yankton Office of Economic Development, Yankton, Kurt Hanser - Yankton Office of Economic Development, Yankton, Jim Wilcox – Xcel Energy, Sioux Falls, Dan Heindbjorgen – Sioux Falls Development Foundation, Sioux Falls, Larry Kippes – City of Sioux Falls Inspector, Sioux Falls, Ron Bell – Building Services City of Sioux Falls, Sioux Falls, Dan Scott – Sioux Falls Development Foundation, Sioux Falls, and Pam Fuhrer – IEC Dakotas Inc, Pierre.

Steve Nielsen was introduced as a new Commission member replacing Todd Archambeau.

Motion by Eidem, seconded by Becker to approve the agenda with the change of time for Bruce Everson to 1:30 P.M. Motion approved.

Motion by Eidem, seconded by H. Nielsen to approve the minutes of January 17, 2007. Motion approved.

The next meeting will be July 10, 2007 at the Ramkota Inn in Pierre starting at 8:00 A.M.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded Brown to again send a \$500.00 sponsorship fee to the Youth Engineering Adventure. Motion approved. Simonson abstained.

The inspectors' report included the following:

1. Advancement of colony electricians
2. Western Section IAEI – St Louis
3. Jurisdiction on tribal land
4. Tom Kelly – Man of the Year for SD Electrical Council

This is a code change year so all the inspectors will be highly encouraged to go. The Western Section meeting next year will be in Rapid City.

A discussion was held on non-listed electrical equipment.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded by Brown that the AHJ will be instructed to use Article 670 as a stand alone guideline. Motion approved.

Don Reese, US Dept of Labor, met with the Commission to discuss an inmate at the Federal Prison in Yankton on his qualifications for the journeyman's exam.

Motion by Becker, seconded by Eidem that Mr. Reese gets the individual's work record and the name of the individual supervising him and the office will review. Motion approved.

Bruce Everson met with the Commission to discuss the placement of a service panel and gas pipe in the DOT building in Aberdeen.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded by Brown that the gas pipe be removed within one year. Motion approved.

The Personnel Committee instructed the Director to contact the inspectors to get their PDQ's in so that they can be compiled and one general one be sent out to all the inspectors for final approval before submitting to Bureau of Personnel.

President Simonson appointed Steve Nielsen to the Code Committee.

A discussion was held on national testing.

Motion by Eidem, seconded by H. Nielsen to go with national testing with more test sites.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded by Becker to table the previous motion. Motion approved.

Motion by Becker, seconded by Eidem to approve the Bills, Treasurers Reports, and Budget Statistics for January, February, and March. Motion approved.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded by Brown to approve the Inspection Reports, Permit Reports, Inspection Time-Usage, Exam Applications, Exam Results, and New Licenses Issued for January, February, and March. Motion approved.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded by Eidem to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 P.M. Motion approved.

Commission Secretary