

SOUTH DAKOTA ELECTRICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of the Electrical Commission meeting held on April 25, 2008 at the Americinn Lodge & Suites, Chamberlain, South Dakota.

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Simonson at 9:15 A.M.

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

Others present were Jeff Feiok – District #8 Inspector, Ron Nagle – Executive Director, Diana Peterson – Office Secretary, Larry Kippes – City of Sioux Falls, Todd Kolden, Dept. of Labor.

Motion by S. Nielsen, seconded by H. Nielsen to approve the agenda.
Motion approved.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded by S. Nielsen to approve the minutes of January 24, 2007. Motion approved.

The next meeting will be July 17 or 24, 2008 in Pierre starting at 9:00 A.M. This will be the annual meeting.

The President asked if the Commission would again do a sponsorship fee to the Youth Engineering Adventure.

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

The inspector's report included the following:

1. SD Electrical Council Convention held in Pierre that all the full-time and Seasonal inspectors were allowed to attend
2. IAEI Convention in Rapid on September 21 – 24, 2008
3. Adopt 2008 NEC as written

The Director's report included the rules hearing and SD Electrical Council Convention.

Rules Hearing held.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded by Brown to adopt the 2008 NEC with the following exemptions:

Article 100 – definitions - remove the new word “machinery” from the definition of “equipment”

Eliminate the GFCI requirement for sump pumps, lift stations, garage door openers

Eliminate GFCI and AFCI requirement for life support equipment and like/similar equipment as determined by Authority Having Jurisdiction

Motion approved.

Motion by Brown, seconded by H. Nielsen the suggested effective date be July 1, 2008 or as soon there after with all other agency approvals. Motion approved.

Paul Muth, Muth Electric, brought to the Commission attention that the City of Deadwood has an ordinance more stringent that the State requires. Who is going to enforce this city ordinance? The Commission will look into the matter.

Motion by Bolzer, seconded by S. Nielsen to approve the Bills, Treasurers Reports, and Budget Statistics for January, February, & March. Motion approved.

Motion by H. Nielsen, seconded by Bolzer 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.

The meeting was adjourned a 1:15 P.M.

Cam Becker, Commission Secretary