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RIBOA Monthly Meeting-September

Location- Barrington Town Hall

September 17, 2014

WE LIKE TO EXTEND OUR THANKS TO THE TOWN OF BARRINGTOWN AND BOB SPEAKER FOR THE USE OF THEIR FACILITIES FOR OUR MEETING LOCATION.

A REMINDER THAT IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN HOSTING A FUTURE MONTHLY MEETING OR KNOWS A GREAT LOCATION, PLEASE CONTACT TOM DIFUSCO WITH THE LOCATION AND DATE AVAILABLE.

Meeting called to order at 1:13 PM by President Tom DiFusco

Pledge of Allegiance Pledge led by Tom D. and the membership

Executive Board Members Present:

President: Tom DiFusco
Vice President: Position Vacant
Secretary: Wayne Pimental
Treasurer: Bruce Zaloudek
Past President: Bill Nash

Minutes- President DiFusco noted that the August meeting minutes were sent to all members and requested a motion for approval. Motion by Peter S., seconded by Steve G., all members approved.

Treasurers Report:

- Al DeCorte reported that the balance in the Edwards & Jones Scholarship fund was \$59,306.74. The operating budget had a balance of \$23,502.12. The Education budget had a balance of \$21,207.79. A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report by Jack L., seconded by Mike S., all members approved.

Membership Report: Wayne noted that change of the membership year from September 1st to January 1st and to increase the dues from \$35.00 to \$40.00. New membership forms will be sent out soon. There was a motion from Stan P., seconded by Ben N. to accept Larry Jones as a new member of the association, all members approved.

Committee Reports:

- **Nominations-** Chairperson Steve G. Nominations reported that there were four names submitted for the election, and no additional names were submitted. They are Wayne Pimental-President, Peter Scorpio-Vice-President, Al Decorte-Treasurer, Tom DiFusco-Secretary. He then notified three times if there were any nominations



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from the floor. Hearing none, he declared the nominations closed and requested a vote. A motion was made by Ben N. to accept and vote for the slate submitted, seconded by Bill H., all members voted in favor of the new slate. Congratulations to the new slate. The installation dinner will be scheduled for November. Further information to follow.

- **Scholarship**- Chairperson Steve G. reported that he received a letter of thanks from Annie E. Phelps, Aaron D. Murphy and Lauren E. Hervieux.
 - **Amherst Seminar Conference** - Rhode Island night will be held on Monday, October 6th at 6:00 PM at the Amherst Brewery. If you are planning to attend and have not contacted Peter Scorpio or Wayne, please contact them via email so we can order the pre-paid \$30.00 food & beverage cards.
 - **Social**- Peter Scorpio noted that Roger P. has secured Twin River for the Winter Meeting which is scheduled for December 12. Information will be sent out next month to all members. He also noted that a letter and \$300.00 donation from RIBOA was sent to the “Association for Tobacco Free Kids” in honor of Bill Packard, and a copy was sent to his family as well.
 - **RIBOA Expo**- Wayne reported that he will be meeting with Peter S., Mike Guertin and David Grandpre’ to discuss the topics for the expo. Please forward any ideas you may have which target our building contractor audience. Peter asked for your help in getting sponsors. The fee for the sponsor’s booth will be \$250.00. All of the vocational students will also be invited again, and we are hoping for a large turnout from them. The event is scheduled for February 27th, 2015 at New England Tech.
 - **Golf**- Tom D. noted that he has signed the contract for securing Crystal Lake Golf Course for June 12th, 2015 and a deposit of \$500.00 was sent in with it.
 - **RIBOA Display Booth**- Bill N. reported no new information but will report back next month with an update.
 - **Legislation**- Jack L. reported the Legislature passed a State Law requiring municipalities to waive the first re-inspection fee for all inspections. So after the initial inspection, if it fails, the next inspection will be conducted without a fee.
 - **JLC Booth**- Wayne reported that the cost to get a booth at the JLC Live show would cost \$3,500.00. We will hold off on this item for the near future.
 - **By-Laws**- Dave T. is asking all committee chairs to provide a written description of their committee policies and procedures. Please submit to Dave or Wayne so we can begin the compile and prepare any changes needed.
- RIBOA Pin**- Wayne reported he provided Warwick VoTech student Nicolas Perrault with a letter of thanks along with a check for \$250.00 in recognition of his help our organization to create the new pin. Nick for use this money to pay expenses for his college education and was extremely grateful for the gift and wanted to thank all of the members for the generous gesture.
- **Education**- Commissioner Leyden reported that the Fortified Evaluator Program sponsored by the Insurance Business & Home Safety Institute (IBHS) will offer training to all members on November 17, 18, 20 & 21. They will train everyone



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on methods to reduce or repair damage by Hurricanes. The training will be held at the URI Narragansett Bay Campus and you must submit the completed application and submit it to Jeanne Enos in Jack's office to register. They will then send you verification and you will also need to submit an orientation test prior to the class. They will also offer the National Certified Test at the conclusion of the training. The cost is \$250.00, and you will need to personally pay for this exam, it is not covered by the State. The passing of the test would allow you to become a certified inspector and provide inspections throughout the country and be recognized by ICC and the Training Institute in this program.

- Bill N. mentioned that he will look into providing a training class that would review the new ICC CDP Access program. This new on-line computer based code development process allows anyone to participate in the process.
- Ben N. noted that there will be an education walking tour of the FM Global facility in Johnston. There will be a brief presentation followed by a tour of the building. The program starts at 9:00 AM on September 18th. Ben also asked about the process to address code conflicts. We will work with Ben to facilitate a process with our members and the Building Code Standards Committee.
- **ICC Conference-** There are eight members of the association that will be attending the Annual ICC Conference scheduled for the end of September in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Our members will be attending the Annual Business Meeting and the Government Relations Forum to discuss the High School Training Program. The Association was nominated for the Chapter of the Year Award, and additional information will provided as we get it.
- **Electrical** Jack noted that there will be upcoming electrical code training classes, with the first scheduled for September 22 in Barrington. Future dates of the same training will be sent soon to all inspectors. Steve G. also noted that he has the new Electrical Code books for each City and Town. See him after the meeting to sign out for you code book.
- **NEBOA Conference** Bill H. reported that the annual Amherst Seminar is fast approaching and is scheduled for October 6th – 8th and that the same method will be used for State credit. See Bill at the conference for the sign-in sheets needed. There will be a new badge system in place for attendance, but we will still be using the past method. Bill Nash wanted to thank all of the NEBOA members who have helped put the program together.
- **RIBA Home Show-** Steve G. reported that RIBA will again offer our association a free booth to the RIBA Home Show scheduled for next April. He also offered to promote our expo with a complimentary ad to be placed in the monthly newsletter. We want to thank RIBA and Steve for their continued support and generosity.
- **New Business-** Commissioner Leyden reported that the Insurance Business & Home Safety Institute (IBHS) has a hurricane testing facility in North Carolina and he is working with them to provide three training dates to be scheduled in November at N. E. Tech. All training dates will offer the same course. It will concentrate on



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making buildings more resilient, and there is the possibility for future code adoption of these new methods. You also will have the option to take the certification exam for \$200.00, which will certify you as an inspector recognized by ICC nationally. National Grid will again be offering energy training seminars and webinars. Credit will be given for those classes which deal with Mechanical or plumbing.

- The NASCLA awards ceremony was held in August in Newport and RIBOA received the Community in Excellence Award. The awards program was excellent and very well attended by our association members. We wish to thank George Whalen for all of his assistance and for putting together a terrific conference in Newport. Well done.
- Our next RIBOA meeting will be held on September 17th due to the upcoming ICC conference and other scheduled functions. The location will be the Barrington Town Hall on 283 County Road. Elections will be held at this meeting. Parking is available in the back of the building.
- **Old Business:** Tom D. Thanked Bruce Zaloudek for his unwavering service and dedication to our Association, and all members gave Bruce a standing ovation for his hard and dedicated work over many, many years. We all know that Bruce will continue to help and serve our organization. **“THANK YOU BRUCE”.**
- Bill N. reported that the Vocational memberships that we proved last year to all nine of the vocational schools has expired, and made a motion to provide the cost for another year of ICC School membership with the condition that the schools show a commitment and a need for the sponsorship. Wayne will contact the schools on the need. The motion was seconded by Peter S., all members approved.

Health & Welfare: It was reported that Al Quattrocchi had two brothers that recently passed, and his wife is also ill. A motion was made by Carlo T., seconded by Ben N. to send a \$50.00 gift basket and card to Al from the association, all members approved.

Correspondence: None to report.

Shirt Raffle-The shirt raffle was won by Dave Murphy of Westerly.

Charitable Donation- \$24 was collected for the Charitable Fund.

Adjourn: 2:35 P.M. Motion by Ben N., seconded by Steve G. all members approved