

**MINUTES OF THE PLUMBING AND FUEL, GAS BOARD MEETING
CORBELLS * LEONARDTOWN, MARYLAND
Wednesday, September 10, 2008**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gerald Davis at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Charles Downs, Dwight Mason, David Shapiro, Mike Sullivan, and Bernie Taylor. Daryl Calvano was absent. Others present were Amos Freeman and Flo Dement of Ferguson. LUGM staff present was Adam Knight, Valerie Joshway and Jada Stuckert, Recording Secretary.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of August 13, 2008 were approved as presented

Old Business

Update on Codes Seminar in October

Ms. Stuckert stated the Tech Center has been officially booked for October 8, 2008 from 6:00 to 8:00 for the Expo and that the fee for the room has been waived. Ms. Stuckert reviewed the Expo flyer with the Board as well as the booklet to be passed out at the Expo. Ms. Stuckert provided the Board with copies of the table arrangement and asked that all vendors confirm their number of tables prior to Tuesday, September 30, 2008. Ms. Stuckert stated the food and beverages will be provided by different vendors attending the Expo.

Mr. Shapiro asked how much we are charging per table reservation. Ms. Stuckert explained since the fee for the room has been waived there is no overhead cost for the Board therefore charging a fee for the tables would be in poor taste.

Update on the By-laws

Mr. Knight stated there was a miscommunication with the legal department however the misunderstanding has been fixed and legal is now reviewing the by-laws.

Update on Rules and Regulations

Mr. Knight informed the Board that the rules and regulations will be printed and ready before the October meeting.

Update on Sprinkler

Mr. Knight stated there is no update at this time however the law was changed to allow master plumbers to sign up for training. Mr. Davis asked if we could utilize the Calvert registration form. Ms. Stuckert stated she would work on this form. A question regarding charging a fee was posed. Mr. Knight stated there will be no fees this year and recommended implementation of the fees beginning July 1, 2009.

Update on Maryland Plumbing Board Visit

Mr. Mason stated the meeting went very well and the State Plumbing Board seemed to be impressed with our accomplishments.

New Business

Annual Report

Mr. Knight gave an overview of the annual report for the County Commissioners stating he will continue working on this and bring it to the next meeting for review.

Go Green Certifications

Mr. Shapiro explained that the certification for going green is a terrible process. Mr. Shapiro stated the book has recently been changed to the 2009 version and tests can be

taken in December. Mr. Shapiro stated it takes approximately 120 hours to study for the exam.

Ground Gas Lines

Mr. Davis stated Washington Gas is finding grounded gas lines by installers. Mr. Davis stated this is an ongoing battle. Mr. Davis explained grounding gas lines is not correct per code and they are trying to fix this issue with the local inspectors.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m. for the Ferguson Update and Presentation.

Jada Stuckert
Recording Secretary

Approved in open session: February 11, 2009

Gerald Davis
Chairman