

**OREGON FIRE CODE
COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes**

Office of State Fire Marshal
4760 Portland Rd
Salem
Mt Hood Conference Room
January 24, 2012
9:30 A.M. to 11:05 A.M.

Pat Bigelow - Boring Fire	Eric McMullen - McMinnville Fire
Mike Boumann - CFD #1	Alfredo Mendez - Marion County Fire District #1
John Caul - OSFM	Ron Parvin - Silverton Fire District
Paul Coleman - Retired	Don Patty - Sandy/Boring Fire Prevention
George Crosiar - OSFM	Anita Phillips - OSFM
Greg Davis - OSFM	John Rinier - Hillsboro Fire
Bryan Emmons - Self	Joe Ripp - Interface Engineering
Bob Eugene – UL (Via Phone)	Richard Smith - OSFM (Retired) Via Phone
Steve Forster – TVF&R	Art Spond - OSFM
Alan Gerard - Springfield FLS	Nate Takara - Portland Fire
Al Good - ORFED	Michael Trabue - Albany Fire
Keith Haggas - Eugene	Greg Weisgerber – TVF&R
Ray Hubbell - Philomath Fire	Mark Wilson - Lebanon Fire
Brian Huff - OSFM	Bob Wright - OSFM
Valere McIntosh-Clackamas Fire	Jeff Donnelly-Gresham Fire
Jim Everett - Self	

- I. **Called to Order** by Chairman John Caul at 9:35 a.m.
- II. **Approval of Agenda.** Approved as printed.
- III. **Approval of Minutes** from the August, 2011 regular meeting. Eric McMullen moved the minutes be approved, Brian Huff seconded the motion.
- IV. **OBOA code committee and BCD Structures Board update –**
OBOA is currently reviewing the 2012 codes. No big changes anticipated that will affect the fire service.

February’s Structures Board meeting was cancelled. The next upcoming meeting will be in May.

John Caul reminded the members that the ICC hearings for the Group A codes will be later this year and OBOA is the host ICC Chapter. If interested in helping, contact Robert Rice, Josephine County.

V. Old Business – Pertaining to the 2010 Fire Code, Section 2203.2 – Emergency Disconnect Switch: Changes to the model code need to be done as per memo to OFCC from Assistant Chief Deputy Stacy Warner. John said the electrical, NFPA 30A and the IFC need to be synchronized to address the issue. Will review and discuss at a future meeting if the OFCC wants to submit a code change proposal to the 2015 IFC.

VI. New Business – A) TA Guidelines for black powder and smokeless propellants at gun shows: John and FM Trabue gave the scenario on what happened at a recent gun show in Albany. Guidelines come from NFPA 495 for mercantile occupancies. Motion to remove the words “1 pound” for black powder was approved. Sentence now will state” An empty container for display and order taking purposes only.” Also remove the words Black Powder from the Vendor Separation sentence since no quantity of black powder is allowed on the premises. Approved.

B) NFPA 55-10 Insulated Liquid Carbon Dioxide Systems: Presently nothing is in codes that specifically talks about the new systems. John researched and said a new section in Chapter 13 of NFPA 55 talks about using sensors, alarms, and relief valves. This section may be used to regulate these installations by using Section 102.8 of the OFC.

C) Review process for the 2013 Oregon Fire Code: John presented the committee a question to stay with the small review groups or assign one 10 person group to review the 2012 IFC. He said that from the 55 sections to review, only a few changes needed to be implemented. The completion date is October 1, 2012. The committee agreed that smaller groups work the best, especially with a short deadline date. All but one member volunteered to help with the project. John will put the groups together, assign the sections they will review and give each person a thumb drive with the 2012 IFC showing changes between the 2009 and 2012 IFC and along with existing Oregon amendments inserted. He will notify the members by email on the groups.

VII. ICC News: No report.

VIII. NFPA News: No report.

IX. Miscellaneous: None

X. Good of the Order:

- 1) NFSA appointed a new Northwest Regional Manager, Suzanne Mayr. Based in Tacoma, she can be reached at mayr@nfsa.org or at (253)208-8467.
- 2) Several fires have been occurred from the electric companies swap out to a new smart meter. All parties are aware.
- 3) NFPA will reimburse fire service members 80% for expenses if they participate on the committees.
- 4) Hillsboro Fire will be putting on a HazMat class the 1st week of March.

- 5) Members need to register for the upcoming February conference at Salishan.
- 6) TVFR will have a training academy on “Systems” in April.

XI. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Next regular meeting: Tuesday February 28, 2012 at Office of State Fire Marshal, 4760 Portland Rd. NE, Salem