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**MBOIA Minutes  
December Membership Meeting  
Thursday, December 12, 2019  
The Green Ladle  
Lewiston, Maine**

**Minutes**

- A. Call to Order: President Tom Lister called the meeting to order at 1:03pm.
- B. Calling of the Roll of Officers: Tom Lister, Freeman Abbott, Brian Longstaff, Mark Stambach, Ben Breadmore, Stew Brooks, Ben McDougal, Justin Brown, Kathryn Joiner, Barb Skelton, Mike Falvey, Donald Fiske, Paul Demers, Jeff Wallace and Melissa White (MMA).

Absent: Tom Maynard (excused)

Guest: Bill Nash, ICC, Gary Gauthier, ICC

It was determined there was a quorum.

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- C. Review and Acceptance of the Minutes from the September 26, 2019 Membership meeting.
- Motion made by Mike Falvey, seconded by Stew Brooks, all approved the September 26, 2019 membership minutes as presented.

- D. Communications and Bills:

Tom Lister advised membership that the 2020 Training Schedule is final and available for all members. Tom reported on the new location, Sebasco Harbor Resort, for the 2020 Annual Code Conference as the Point Lookout Resort in Northport has closed permanently.

Tom reported that the listserv (Moose Chatter) is up and running via google groups and that the MMA/MBOIA 2020 Administrative Services agreement has been signed. Tom reported on other events that took place in 2019 such as the MMA Affiliate Groups Presidents meeting in the summer, the ICC tour to Peaks Island, the visit with the Governor in the fall and the visit with the ICC in Nevada.

Bill Nash introduced himself and Gary Gauthier to the membership and reported on a change in ICC with how they identify themselves as they have acquired a few new companies in an effort to continue to bring more resources to Code Officials.

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1) Communications: Ben McDougal reported on the following communications:

**Bills Paid:**

Bills paid since the September 26, 2019 Membership meeting:

MMA August invoice	Monthly Administrative Services	\$74.74
Spring Meadows Banquet	Catering, September Membership meeting	\$1,580.97
Fireside Inn	MUBEC Training	\$2,783.82
Jeff's Catering	MUBEC Training	\$966.88
MMA September invoice	Monthly Administrative Services	\$213.72
Unlimited Conferencing	Conference calling	\$77.20
Justin Brown	Raffle gifts purchase for Dec. Mtg.	\$400.00
Stewart Brooks	Reimbursement of Expenses for breakfast – Northern Chapter workshop	\$60.95
Waterville Elks	Deposit 2020 MUBEC Training	\$300.00
American Awards	Awards purchase	\$161.89
MMA October Invoice	Monthly Administrative Services	\$2,699.33
Unlimited Conferencing	Conference calling	\$33.01

E. Report of Officers and Treasurer's: Ben McDougal reported total assets as of October 31, 2019 were \$57,211.84

Motion made by Stew Brooks, seconded by Mike Falvey, all approved the October 31, 2019 financial report

F. Report of Committees:

1) By-Laws Committee- Barb Skelton reported on the following:

Proposed By-law changes were presented to membership on December 2, 2019.

2) ESBOF – Brian Longstaff submitted the following written report:

Upcoming annual ESBOF conference will be April 18-21, 2020 at Newport Harbor Hotel.

The feeling was last year's conference was successful, so conference will be in Newport, R.I. again this year. Other locations will be considered for next year as the conference is supposed to rotate to other member states. ESBOF has a call around tomorrow so more details will likely be available after that time. Last year's conference was held April 8-9, 2019 in Newport, R.I. and was well attended with over 180 registered for the two days. Conference

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call meeting Friday, 12/13/2019. January 10, 2020 for Region 6 (second Friday). NEBOA meets in the morning, lunch, then ESBOF could meet in the PM. Location to be determined. Ed asks that all research for conference be completed before January 10th so that decisions can be made at that time.

3) Website/Technology – Justin Brown had nothing new to report.

4) NEBOEA – Paul Demers reported on the following:

The Annual meeting was the first week in October. There are three MBOIA members that serve on the board. Paul reported that he is the President of the New England Association.

5) NERC – Paul Demers had nothing new to report.

6) Legislative Committee – had nothing new to report.

7) Membership & Nomination Committee – Justin Brown had nothing new to report.

8) Marketing Committee – Tom Maynard was absent.

9) Newsletter Committee – Tom Lister had nothing new to report.

10) Sprinkler Coalition Committee – Barb Skelton had nothing new to report.

11) Scholarship Committee – Kathy Joiner submitted the following written report:

The committee awarded (2) 2 day and (2) one day scholarships to MBOIA members. Business was conducted during regular MBOIA Board meetings. Recommend that we continue conference scholarships for 2020 and encourage MBOIA members with limited training budgets to apply.

12) CEO Committee – Brian Longstaff submitted the following written report:

New selection format. The Board decided to change the nomination format because nominations in past years did not necessarily reflect to goals and objectives of MBOIA, and in some cases deserving CEOs were not even nominated by the towns in which they were employed. Therefore, going forward the Board will accept nominations from within the general membership or from a Board member. Awards will be determined by a majority vote of the Board. The name will be changed from CEO of the Year to “Member of the Year” to better reflect the successful nominee’s contribution to the organization as well as the profession. A separate “Lifetime Achievement” award can be presented to recognize retiring members with outstanding service at the discretion of the MBOIA President with Board approval. MEETINGS HELD/ATTENDED: November 14, 2019. The Board nominated and approved the award for 2019 to be given to Paul

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Demers for his outstanding service and commitment to the organization and to the betterment of the code officials' profession. For logistical reasons, the award will be made at the annual business meeting in December instead of the Spring Training Conference.

13) Education Committee – Mark Stambach reported on the following:

The committee has been working on the upcoming trainings, hoping to hold the carryover ICC workshops in conjunction with the NFPA in late January or early February. The Code Conference will take place at the Sebasco Harbor Resort in May 2020.

14) Northern Chapter Division – Stew Brooks had nothing new to report.

### **Election of Officers**

President Tom Lister named Stew Brooks as the ballot clerk.

Dick Lambert ran the election.

Proposed Slate is as follows:

President – Ben R.K Breadmore

Vice President – Mark Stambach

Directors – William Longley, Werner Gilliam and Don Fiske.

#### **President** (2 year term)

There were no nominations from the floor

Motion made by Stew Brooks to cease nominations seconded by Freeman Abbott, all approved

Nominations ceased

Secretary cast one ballot for Ben R. K Breadmore

All approved

#### **Vice President** (2 year term)

There were no nominations from the floor

Motion made by Stew Brooks to cease nominations, seconded by Freeman Abbott, all approved

Nominations ceased

Secretary cast one ballot for Mark Stambach

All approved

#### **Directors** (3 year term)

There were no nominations from the floor

Motion made by Paul Demers to cease nominations, seconded by Stew Brooks, all approved

Secretary cast one ballot for the three nominations

All approved

Bill Nash performed the swearing in of the Officers.

G. New Business:

#### **New Members:**

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**Active Membership:**

**Subscribing Membership:**

Scott Goodwin	Owner/Member	Good Home Property Inspections
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Motion made by Justin Brown, seconded by Freeman Abbott, all approved the new subscribing member.

Proposed By-law changes were presented to the membership via email on December 2, 2019.

Barb Skelton reported on the proposed changes to the by-laws. There was discussion of reviewing the by-laws to possibly update the language in the future.

Motion made by Freeman Abbott, seconded by Stew Brooks, majority approved the proposed by-law changes with 1 opposed.

Russ Martin reported on the report that just came out regarding the natural gas explosion that took place in Massachusetts, last year. He will send this information out on the listserv.

H. The Good and Welfare of the Association

Prior to the start of the meeting, Paul Demers was awarded with the 2019 MBOIA Member of the Year award.

Raffle prizes were chosen.

I. Adjournment: Motion made by Stew Brooks, seconded by Ben R.K. Breadmore, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 1:53 pm.