



Rhode Island Building Official's Association

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RIBOA Monthly Meeting

Warwick City Hall, Warwick, RI

Meeting Minutes – April 25, 2019

Meeting called to order at 1:02 pm by President Joe Warner
Determination of a Quorum
Pledge of Allegiance
Charitable Donation Collection: \$28.00

Executive Board Members:

President: Joseph Warner, Jr. (present)
Vice President: James Cambio (present)
Secretary: Brad Ward (present)
Treasurer: Alfred DeCorte (present)
Past President: Wayne Pimental (present)

First order of Business Tom Minuto from Edwards and Jones gave a presentation regarding RIBOA accounts and investment strategies, currently the majority of funds are invested in a very secure low interest bearing tax exempt Municipal Bond account. A number of investment programs were presented to the members, however all funds remained as invested and more research is required. (Mainly to review the rules and regulations pertaining to our Nonprofit IRS status). All fund transfers to other investment accounts will require membership approval.

Minutes:

Motion to approve the February 2019 minutes by Ted Isabella, second by Roger Pierce (All in favor)

Secretary Report: Eastern States went exceptional well and thanks to RIBOA for all your help and support

Treasurers Report: Al DeCorte reported the following:

- February Operating Account beginning balance \$4,073.29 and an ending balance of \$2,521.93
- February Education Account beginning balance \$19,363.24 and an ending balance of \$19,688.24
- February Edward & Jones Account beginning balance \$80,587.44 and an ending balance of \$81,115.23
- March Operating Account beginning balance \$2,521.93 and an ending balance of \$2,802.47



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- March Education Account beginning balance \$19,688.24 and an ending balance of \$23,189.76
- March Edward & Jones Account beginning balance \$81,115.23 and an ending balance of \$81,814.03
- Motion made to approve report Ted Isabella and seconded by John Masterson (all in favor)

Presidents Report: President Warner presented a replacement Plaque to Past President Wayne Pimental with recognition of his years of service as president of RIBOA

Committee Reports:

1. **Membership:** Presently there are 117 active members in RIBOA
2. **Education Fair & Expo:**
 - The Expo raised \$3000.00 in funds and the event was a great success (see old Business below)
 - The next event is Tools of the Trade at Warwick Culinary Technical Training School on May 1st
3. **Golf:**
 - The date is June 14th at Cranston CC
 - A request for solicitations of Tee sign sponsors and raffle prizes!
 - Volunteers will be needed for early preparations and set up
4. **Scholarship:**
 - The application deadline was May 1, 2019
 - There will be a separate link on our website for scholarship applications & information
5. **Sponsorship:**
 - We are in the process of developing "tiered levels" for sponsors offering different levels of advertising, etc. (More on this to follow). For the remainder of this year we will continue to pursue sponsors for each specific event.
6. **Education:**
 - The mandatory NEC training for all Building Officials & Electrical inspectors will be held on May 16 (if you did not attend on April 19th). Please e-mail Jeanne Enos with the requested information per her e-mail.



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- New Energy Code Training will occur on May 23rd at Spirito's Restaurant in Johnson (starting at 9:00 am), You must register in advance; this can be completed on the RIBOA website

Legislation:

- Senate Bill No. 687 Allows Contractor to hire 3rd party inspector if the BO does not perform inspection within 48 hours of request. This bill appears to have minimal effect on office operations, since qualified personnel will not be able to respond in a timely manner
- Senate bill No. 688 Authorizes BO's to affix their signature on permits pertaining to the work they inspect. Again minimal effect, this should be performed regardless of a statute.
- Senate Bill No. 690 Limits the number of communities a BO may be appointed to as a BO to 2 municipalities and prohibits other assigned duties when Building Code issues are pending
- Senate Bill No's 689 & 691 are relating to Zoning matters
- Efforts to adopt the 2015 code continue with the hope that the effective date will be August 1, 2019.
- Efforts to start the 2018 Code review will hopefully begin in September, 2019.
- Once adopted, there will be a RI Code link available on the ICC website and additional copies of the 2015 code books will be available for purchase as well.
- Joe Warner discussed legislation pertaining to the Zoning Enabling Act and the definition of Building Height as to average grade or BFE. Those in coastal flood zones should pay attention as this progresses.

Old Business:

- Skills USA High School Competition was held on March 14th and again was a great success and there was stand out team that participated. Many thanks to Al DeCorte for organizing the set up and to the Judges Jim Cambio, Aaron Ring (Smithfield), AJ Fielder (Warwick) and Felix
- The Expo was well received and made over \$3000.00 dollars for the Tools of the Trade program. Thanks to our vendors, volunteers and special thanks to Mike Guertin for his exceptional presentation these combined efforts make this event a great success.
- JLC Live was recognized as an outstanding event by those that attended.
- Eastern States was also recognized as an exceptional event, the Instructors for both days provided excellent training. Please note to all in attendance



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you must submit the certificate to the Commissioner's Office receive credit for the training

- The Permit Tech Seminar did not secure enough participants to schedule the training and therefore training will not be provided at this time

New Business:

- Tools of the Trade is Scheduled for May 1st at the Culinary Technical Training Center, Please sign up if you want to attend.
- Building Safety Month is scheduled for May, please contact Bill Nash to have your Town or City Councils approve a Resolution in support of this event. President Warner signed the Proclamation on behalf of RIBOA
- The annual summer outing has not been scheduled, The Social Committee Chair, Brad Ward, indicated that he has been busy with ESBOF and will provide locations to be voted on at May Meeting
- The 2019 Meeting Schedule was provided and is posted on the RIBOA Website

Correspondence:

Health & Welfare:

- Bob Raimbeault's Surprise Retirement Party is (was) May 3rd at Sprititos Restaurant
- Bob Speaker's Retirement Party is on May 29th please contact Barrington Town Hall if you want to attend

Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by Ted Isabella, 2nd by Roger Pierce, (All in favor)