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Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting
January 13, 2007
Pearce Backhoe & Septic Tank Service
Rolesville, NC
9:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors meeting was held on January 13, 2007 at Pearce Backhoe & Septic Tank Service in Rolesville, NC.

The meeting was called to order by David Cooper, and opened in prayer by Jimmy Shoaf.

Attending:

Connie Stephens, President	Keith Blackburn
David Cooper, Vice President	Doug Lassiter
Jimmy Shoaf, Treasurer	John Peele
Monica Rhea, Secretary	Chris Dobbins
Jerry Pearce	Gabe Dellinger
Frank Pearce	Larry Beam
David Wallwork	Stanly Mills

Absent: Jim Lanier, Ace Potter, Latt Moretz

September 16th minutes reviewed with the correction of John Peeles' name on the last page and the addition of Stanley Mills from those absent from the meeting. Motion to accept made by David Cooper, seconded by Stanley Mills and approved. There was no Treasurers report available at this time.

Old Business discussed included;

*The endorsement of the Certification Board.

* The subcommittee to meet with Dr. Hoover has no report on the possible partnership with NC State at this time.

*Two open positions at DENR still not filled.

The regional meetings for the registration for Installer Certification have began and have been very well attended so far. A motion was made by Jimmy Shoaf, seconded by Keith Blackburn to do a mass mailing concerning the upcoming conference from the list obtained at each of these regional registration meetings. The schedule for upcoming meetings were passed out and discussed. The Affidavit has been changed to remove the Environmental Health Specialist from the form due to opposition from some Health Departments.

Changes to the On-Site rules are in draft form ready to go to rules committee. They must be in hands 90 days prior to meeting. They have failed to do this repeatedly. The previous proposal was to pull out the tank rules and send them through separately. This was taken to Andy Adams and he first agreed, but then ask us not to due to the likelihood of confusion. Doug asked the Boards opinion, and Jimmy Shoaf made the motion to pull out the tank rules and send them through on their own due to the many delays that have occurred in the past. Gabe Dellinger seconded. All approved. General Assembly comes back in session on January 24, 2007.

The upcoming Convention on March 27th-30th is in the planning phases. The speakers and agenda for classes are still being put together. There is a new registration form. Each attendee will need to fill out an individual form to indicate the type and amount of continuing education hours he or she will need. Pre-registration will be required to try to have a good idea of how many people we will have to accommodate in the class rooms and the banquet.

A cut-off date of March 5, 2007 was decided on. After the registration is received, a conference agenda and name badges will be mailed to each registrant. Connie suggest that the Board Members wear a special name badge so they will be easily recognized and available to answer questions or direct members to the classrooms, etc. The Gala will be held on Thursday evening, the Annual Business meeting breakfast will be on Friday morning followed by the exam for Certified Installers. Each company is required to have at least one certified installer. If the sole certified installer leaves the company or passes away, the company will have 60 days to keep operating while obtaining a new certified installer.

Changes to the Septage Rules will be reviewed at the conference by Ted Lyons. Several suggestions have been made for the website. We have a request to increase the information on the site. The conference information will be sent to be put on next week. Another suggestion was to include a classified section that would be free to members and available at a charge for nonmembers. The availability to link to individual company websites was also discussed.

Review of situation of concern of a long time member, Kivett and Son. Benny has been in poor health and as a result, they were late in mailing in their 2007 package to Ted Lyons. The rules state that a 50% late fee shall be charged **not** may be charged therefore, there was no way around paying this fee. Several association members joined together to pay the late fee for the Kivetts' to avoid any further financial hardship on the family.

There has been a change in the Lobbying laws that prevent any registered lobbyist from sending money from any account for any fundraiser for a political candidate. Doug suggests that we may want to establish a Political Action Committee. He will follow up with more information on this at a later date.

The membership committee was reviewed to include: Connie Stephens, Jimmy Shoaf, Monica Rhea, and Gabe Dellinger. The nominating committee will consist of: Jim Lanier, David Wallwork, and Doug Lassiter. There will be 3 positions rotating off of the Board of Directors this year. Nominations will be open at the conference annual business meeting as well.

The remaining 2007 Board Meetings will be as follows:

March 10, 2007 at the Village Inn

June 9, 2007 at Shoaf Pre-cast.

September 15, 2007 at Harold Mabe Septic Tank

Chris Dobbins requested an update on his previous inquiry to the possibility of tying the payment to the septic contractor into the releasing of the final inspections. Doug suggests we look into writing this into the rules. This was agreed.

With no further business, Keith Blackburn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by John Peele and approved.