



## Oregon Mechanical Officials Association

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### Monthly Membership Meeting Minutes

December 22, 2016

Marion County Public Works Department  
5155 Silverton Road NE, Salem, OR 97305

*The Oregon Mechanical Officials Association is dedicated to providing a professional environment for mechanical code officials and industry professionals to share knowledge and educate each other to enhance public welfare.*

#### CALL TO ORDER:

President John Corliss called the meeting to order at 12:34 pm. December 22, 2016

#### ATTENDANCE:

Executive Board members present were: President John Corliss, First Vice President Bill Hendrix, Members-at-Large Samantha Vandagriff and Randy Soelberg, Past President Mike Remesnik, Chris Trussell, Lyle Bohnet, Jay Winchester, Loren Watts, Troy Skinner, Wess Rowley

**Motion** made by Samantha Vandagriff to accept the November meeting minutes, Second by Randy Soelberg. Motion carried unanimously.

President John Corliss would like to acknowledge and give special thanks to Bill Hendrix, Samantha Vandagriff and Randy Soelberg for their commitment to OMOA and

their continued support of the day-to-day business that needs to be completed for the organization.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Code Change Committee:**

The code change committee met on Friday Dec. 2 and is proposing several code changes be submitted to the State of Oregon for consideration. These include:

-Amendment to C406.4 gas piping, new language to read:

Mechanical gauges used to measure test pressure shall have a range such that its scale shall not be greater than three (3) times the required test pressure and the scale range not less than 1.5 times the test pressure required. The gauges shall not exceed the manufacturers listing and labeling.

-Amendment to C406.4.1 exception to remove natural gas from the exception, to read:

Exception: Testing, inspection and purging of LP gas-piping systems performed by using NFPA 54 shall be permitted.

-New section following 307.2.2 to clarify that condensate pumps do not need to be elevated to read:

307.2.3.3 Condensate Pumps. Condensate pumps shall be installed per the manufacturer's installation instructions.

For any questions about the code changes, please contact Bill Hendrix, [billh@happyvalleyor.gov](mailto:billh@happyvalleyor.gov)

**Motion** made by John Corliss to submit the code changes as proposed to the State of Oregon for review. Second by Randy Soelberg. Motion carried unanimously

### **Scholarship Committee:**

The scholarship chair will be contacting PCC and Chemeketa after the New Year to begin the scholarship process as approved earlier in the year.

## **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:**

Nominations Committee Chair Mike Remesnik announced that the Committee is considering the following slate of officers for election:

President – Bill Hendrix

First Vice-President – Samantha Vandagriff

Second Vice President/Treasurer – Wess Rowley

Secretary – Randy Soelberg

At-Large – Loren Watts

At-Large – John Stelzenmueller

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Bill Hendrix would like to discuss a change to the OMOA bylaws Article III, Section 3. Term of Office. The recommendation to be discussed is changing the current language that indicates a term of one year to a term of two years. This will be brought to the table at the February meeting for discussion.

An e-mail was forwarded to OMOA by Dick Stillwell from ORACCA on behalf of Hart/Cooley Inc about a code change to be made to the UMC about limiting the amount of flex duct that can be used. After some discussion, we determined that the changes are applicable, if passed, to the UMC codes and not to the OMSC, so there was no direct impact on our state or contractors. Our consensus was that our corporate response was not needed; but we do agree with Hart & Cooley and the dissenting associations that the science is a little “light” and does not make the case regarding the energy loss in installations and the need to restrict the length of material to five feet. We asked our members to use the link to add their own comments on this proposal.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

The web site, [www.omoaonline.org](http://www.omoaonline.org) continues to evolve and be updated. If you find anything that you think needs to be updated or changed, please send those to John at [john.corliss@corvallisoregon.gov](mailto:john.corliss@corvallisoregon.gov) or Samantha Vandagriff at [vandagriffs@milwaukieoregon.gov](mailto:vandagriffs@milwaukieoregon.gov).

## **CODE DISCUSSION:**

Q. How are you verifying the required air space at ducts?

A. You can tell by feeling it, the air space will be obvious. You can also generally tell by the installation, if the installation is tight against the pipe at corners, it probably does not have the required air space.

Q. Where are you requiring the audible /visual alarm required by OMSC 606?

A. The code requires it to be at an approved location. This call would be up to the Building Official in the jurisdiction. The consensus was to verify prior to installation what would be approved in the jurisdiction you are in.

Q. Are you requiring mastic and the joint?

A. General consensus was that it was not needed.

**ABM DISCUSSION:**

Call for any additional nominations for the executive board.

**Motion** made by John Corliss to accept the nominations as presented by the nomination committee as a slate, Randy Soelberg 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully,

Samantha Vandagriff  
Member at Large

The next general meeting is scheduled for  
Thursday, January 19, 2017  
Joint Meeting with ORACCA at 11:00 am.  
NW Natural Training Center  
20285 SW Cipole Rd.  
Sherwood, OR 97140