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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you President Lukoskie, and the City of Shoreview, for hosting the February MBPTA meeting, and for all you do for our organization!



Congratulations to Linda Singer from the City of Chisago City and Barb Williams from the City of Otsego who recently passed the ICC Certification Exam for Permit Techs!

Thank You AMBO!



MBPTA would like to extend a HUGE thank you to Roger Axel and AMBO for their generous donation of \$500. Because of this donation, our members, at February 28th meeting, voted to become a member of the Upper Great Plains Region III Chapter of ICC. We are overwhelmed with the continued support and generosity of AMBO.

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President Lukoskie, Roger Axel AMBO, Vice-President Villella  
At the 2006 AMBO Institute in February

## Meet your MBPTA Officers



Officers: Vice-President Carri Villella, Secretary Barb Benesch, Treasurer I Jennifer Harmer, Treasurer II Lisa Wolfe and President Cecy Lukoskie.

## DRAFT MINUTES

**Tuesday, February 28, 2006  
Shoreview City Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. The following officers were present at this meeting: President Cecy Lukoskie; Vice President Carri Villella; Secretary Barb Benesch; and Treasurer I Jennifer Harmer and Treasure II Lisa Wolfe. The following members and guests were present: Aaron Borken, Michele Engberg, Connie Duellman, Britt Sullivan, Linda Singer, Kelly Burda, Suzy Miller, Jeanne Witczek, Patty Boysen, Robbie Hiltz, Gail Keykal, Deb Ramsey, and Judy Williams. Also present were Greg Johnson of ICC/City of St. Paul and Roger Axel of AMBO/City of New Hope.

Introductions took place.

President Lukoskie presented an award to the past president, Carri Villella, and noted that Cecy herself had received a past vice-president award and that former Treasurer I Patty Schaeffer had received her plaque at the Officer's meeting that was held a couple of weeks ago at the Olive Garden.

Robbie Hiltz made a motion, seconded by Suzy Miller to adopt the minutes of September 13, 2005 and November 29, 2005. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Harmer gave the Treasurer's Report for December 2005 to date, giving the balance of our account. She noted all expenses and checks written to date (copy of the reports are attached).

President Lukoskie introduced Greg Johnson of ICC who gave members an update on ICC CEO James Lee Witt who is leaving his position with ICC this summer. He also reminded the group that we should consider him the "complaint department" for ICC and if we have any issues or concerns with education, etc. to please contact him (better sooner than later so that the problem can be addressed efficiently). He also mentioned that the donations for hurricane relief that were received from the Minnesota ICC chapters went to providing building inspectors and officials and their families with food, housing and other necessities. He added that this group has made a great impact "on the world".

Mr. Johnson at this time presented President Lukoskie and Vice-President Villella with an ICC metal and officer's pin in recognition of their diligence and dedication to MBPTA and ICC. He also thanked all of the officers for their hard work as well.

President Lukoskie briefly explained what the ICC Region III chapter was and introduced Roger Axel, Chairman AMBO. He reminded the group what a strong proponent he is of MBPTA and informed us that at the January 9<sup>th</sup> AMBO board meeting, they voted unanimously to fund MBPTA membership to the ICC Upper Great Plains Region III. The group applauded the announcement and Mr. Axel was thanked for the generous donation.

Mr. Axel then announced that the 2008 Annual Code Hearings will be held in Minneapolis and encouraged MBPTA to start planning for this event.

Mr. Axel encouraged MBPTA participants to provide input regarding what educational opportunities they would like to see at the 2007 AMBO Institute and asked that he be emailed with suggestions. Several

members complimented the Institute and what a great event it turned out to be. The positive feedback regarding AMBO's first annual institute, which was held in February at the Northland Inn, was tremendous. It was also noted at this time that AMBO had also donated booth space at the institute for MBPTA. Mr. Axel and AMBO were again thanked for their generosity.

Carrie Villella made a motion, seconded by Michele Engberg to become members of the ICC Upper Great Plains Region II Chapter of ICC. The motion passed unanimously.

It was suggested that MBPTA create a booth marketing committee to come up with creative ideas for the MBPTA booth for future events. It was mentioned that ICC had four booths available for organizations like ours to use and that Jane Smedly from the state could be contacted for further information.

President Lukoskie reviewed the 2006 committee roster and vacancies that exist.

President Lukoskie suggested that those serving on the Education/Planning Committee perhaps should not only be involved in planning the education for the meeting, but perhaps the meeting content itself. Participation of out-state members was also discussed suggesting that perhaps conference-calling technologies could be introduced to our meetings.

Michele Engberg recapped the events of the annual school, both the U of M and AMBO. A brief discussion took place regarding some of the positive and negative aspects of each Institute. Michele then informed the group that she is seeking a replacement for herself on the Bylaws committee but would continue to serve on the committee as needed.

Vice-President Villella reminded the group that the bylaws had been approved at the November meeting. Mr. Johnson reminded the officers that any changes to our bylaws would need to be forwarded to ICC along with MBPTA's annual report.

Jackie Freppert of the Disaster's Committee was not present.

Jennifer Harmer attended the last 10K Lakes meeting. She informed the group that the 10K Spring Banquet would be held on April 28<sup>th</sup> and would consist of a boat ride and dinner. President Lukoskie added that Shoreview's Building Official, Steve Nelson, wanted to make sure MBPTA was aware that we were all invited to attend the awards banquet. She also added that the Hamline University Jazz Band would be performing.

Jennifer briefly talked about building inspection education and noted that there are now six classes available on-line, three of which relate to Building Permit Technician certification.

Vice-President Villella announced that Linda Singer would be her back up for the State Advisory Board. Carrie also mentioned the on-line classes that were available and talked about another building-related degree that was now available for Building Officials through Southwest State University.

Carrie thanked Ron Sonnek of North Hennepin Community College for the tremendous job he has been doing in the Building Permit Technologies department at the college. He has been an integral part of getting the permit technician program running and has been very helpful with answering questions regarding the program.

President Lukoskie reviewed the 2006 budget. Member Borken requested a clarification regarding the engineering scales that were purchased. A question was also raised regarding the line item "annual school" and the \$500 entry. After a brief discussion it was the consensus of the group to change the title from

annual school to "Flex" so that these monies could be used for media marketing, advertising or whatever was needed.

Suzy Miller made a motion, seconded by Gayle Keykal to approve the 2006 Budget. The motion passed unanimously.

Barb Williams, who created MBPTA's website, was not present. Members that have visited the site complimented Barb on what a good job she is doing with the website. President Lukoskie was able to give a brief presentation on the oversized screen to show the group what the site consisted of. One suggestion was to place photographs on the website. It was suggested that Barb Williams be recognized in some way for her hard work in creating the website. President Lukoskie mentioned that keeping the website up-to-date could be somewhat time consuming and asked Secretary Barb Benesch to assist Ms. Williams with this task. Ms. Benesch could assist with providing approved minutes, agendas, updated lists, etc. Secretary Benesch accepted.

President Lukoskie tabled the Newsletter Advertising Policy until the March meeting. She asked the Secretary Benesch to e-mail a draft copy of the policy along with the March MBPTA newsletter.

In closing, Roger Axel again suggested the MBPTA start planning for the 2008 Code Hearings that will be held in Minneapolis so that our organization could fully participate in this event.

President Lukoskie made a motion, seconded by Vice-President Villella, to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

### NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, March 28, 2006

9:30 a.m.

City of New Hope

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Approval of minutes for February 28<sup>th</sup>, Meeting
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Committee Reports
  - a. Education/Planning - Cecy Lukoskie
  - b. Annual School - Discussion
  - c. Disaster Committee - Jackie Gritz
  - d. 10K Lakes Representative - Aaron Borken
  - e. State Advisory Board - Carri Villella
  - f. Website Committee - Barb Williams
6. General Business
  - a. Region III - Cecy Lukoskie
  - b. Newsletter Advertising Policy - Discussion
  - c. Open Floor for Comments/Questions/Discussions
7. Adjourn

**Education - *Steve Nelson***, City of Shoreview Building Official will be doing a short presentation on deck construction and plan review.

Please contact Barb Benesch at 763-717-4028 or [barb.benesch@ci.mounds-view.mn.us](mailto:barb.benesch@ci.mounds-view.mn.us) by Friday, March 24, 2006, only if you are planning to attend the meeting.

## Next Meeting - Tuesday, May 23, 2005 - 9:30 a.m. - City of Elk River

Directions to New Hope City Hall: 4401 Xylon, New Hope MN 55428, 763-531-5121

From the North - 694 East to 169 South, to Rockford Road East or County Road 9: Go to the third stoplight (Xylon). You can only turn left. New Hope City Hall is up the street by  $\frac{3}{4}$  block on left side.

From the West - Hwy. 55 East to 169 North to Rockford Road East or County Road 9: Go to the third stoplight (Xylon). You can only turn left. New Hope City Hall is up the street by  $\frac{3}{4}$  block on left side. Or, Freeway 94 East to 169 South, to Rockford Road East or County Rd 9: Go to the third stoplight (Xylon). You can only turn left. New Hope City Hall is up the street by  $\frac{3}{4}$  block on left side.

From the South - 394 to 169 North to Rockford Road East or County Rd 9: Go to the third stoplight (Xylon). You can only turn left. New Hope City Hall is up the street by  $\frac{3}{4}$  block on left side.

From the East - 694 West East to 169 South, to Rockford Road East or County Rd 9: Go to the third stoplight (Xylon). You can only turn left. New Hope City Hall is up the street by  $\frac{3}{4}$  block on left side.

*Committee meetings will now be conducted via e-mail. If you have any information you would like to share with committee members, please address your e-mails to all committee members. Please include all officers in your e-mails. We will try this out---if it does not work efficiently, we will go back to holding actual meetings.*

*If you are interested in serving on a committee, please feel free to contact an officer. We are always looking for more help.*

### *2006 MBPTA Meeting Dates and Locations:*

|              |                               |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| March 28     | City of New Hope              |
| May 23       | City of Elk River             |
| July 25      | City of Hastings              |
| September 26 | City of St. Louis Park        |
| September 28 | Annual Business Meeting - TBD |

Note: All meetings will be the LAST Tuesday of every other month @ 9:30 a.m., unless notified otherwise.



## 'PIECES' FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Hi everyone,

Spring is March 20<sup>th</sup>! It's my favorite time of the year. I really enjoy getting out in the yard and doing some gardening. But with spring here, it's getting busier and busier. Here in Shoreview the winter months were busy with the mild winter we had, the changes in our contractor licensing requirements and with the several permit fee changes we had.

We had our first meeting of the New Year on February 28<sup>th</sup> in Shoreview with a full agenda. Roger Axel was in attendance on behalf of AMBO to present MBPTA with a financial solution that would allow MBPTA to become a member of Region III. AMBO was again ready to help MBPTA by donating \$500 to cover the Region III membership fee. At the February meeting, MBPTA voted to become a member of Region III. Thank you AMBO for your thoughtfulness and support.

Greg Johnson, Building Inspector for the City of St Paul and MBPTA's ICC representative, was also present. Greg attended the meeting to inform MBPTA of ICC news and future events. In this newsletter there is a copy of the "draft" minutes of what was discussed at both meetings.

I had the opportunity to attend the Annual Institute for Building Officials at U Of M in January and AMBO's Educational Institute in February. Both of the institutes were outstanding. With AMBO's first year venture, it appeared that the institute was a success.

AMBO also donated a booth to MBPTA at the institute's trade show. The booth gave us the opportunity to talk to Building Inspectors and Permit Techs about who we are and our education opportunities. We were able to explain that by being a member and attending meetings, a network exists of a similar work group that can share experiences and can assist in the development of a department and with the challenges that are encountered daily. My hope is that by being there we were able to generate some new members. My thanks to Carri Villella and Kathy Pepin for helping me staff the both.

At our February meeting Barb Williams was scheduled to provide us with a view of our new website, ***MBPTA.org***. Barb was not able to attend the meeting but we looked over the website and had some discussion as to what information we wanted to provide on the website other than minutes, agendas, bylaws, membership application, membership list and newsletters. We had some wonderful suggestions and a website committee was formed to work with Barb in keeping the website current.

One of our goals is to have more members actively participate in our committees. We have openings on some of our committees. I would encourage you, if you are not actively participating in MBPTA, to join the team. Your input is valued and necessary for this organization to remain viable. Remember, our association is only as good as our members want to make it.

I hope to see everyone at our meetings.

Cecy Lukoskie,  
President MBPTA

## MBPTA TESTING

Go to: [www.iccsafe.org/certification/pt.html](http://www.iccsafe.org/certification/pt.html) for further information.

### Required References

- 2003 International Building Code (Chapters 1,2,3,6,12,34)
- 2003 International Zoning Code
- 2002 Legal Aspects Of Code Administration
- You Can Build It! - CABO 1989

MBPTA has received a resource Guide for Training and Education from the ICC regarding Professional Development Services. If you would like to take a look at this guide, please contact Barb Benesch. It will also be available for review at our meetings.

ICC is also asking for our input and recommendations for 2006 training courses and seminars. If you have any recommendations, please let me know and I can forward them to ICC.

More information regarding training and seminars can be found at:  
[www.iccsafe.org/training/hire.html](http://www.iccsafe.org/training/hire.html)



### ICC Contacts

1-888-ICC-SAFE (422-7233)

When calling this number you will have the option to push "0" for an operator, get a "dial-by-name" directory or push "3" for a list of departments.

Web address: [www.iccsafe.org](http://www.iccsafe.org)

**Read the current issue of ICC eNews: [current issue](#).**

### NEWSLETTER EDITOR INFORMATION



As always, **please make sure you send all RSVP's and mailing list information to Barb Benesch.** You only need to RSVP if you are coming to the meeting. You need not respond if you will not be able to make it (unless you are an officer).

Thank you to all of you who have notified me of a co-worker that has moved on and no longer need to be on our e-mail list.

**If you are currently receiving a hard copy through the mail, and you have access to e-mail, please let me know and I will get you on the e-mail list.**

We would love to receive articles for this newsletter! If you have any information, ideas or tidbits you would like to share, let us know. If your city is hiring for a position, we will post that as well. The newsletter is usually sent out a couple of weeks prior to our next meeting. I can be reached at:



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## ARTICLES/GENERAL INFORMATION

### Message From James Price CEO, ICC Upper Great Plains Region III Chapter

ICC Upper Great Plains Region III Chapter is recruiting appointments for the Region III administration. These will be Charter appointments to assist in the development and organizing of the Region III Chapter. Currently Wisconsin needs to fill three committee positions: 1- Education, 1- Code Development, and 1- ICC Governance Committee. Appointments to these committee positions are on the agenda for the April 10, 2006 Region III meeting.

Dan Curran, John Crook and myself, James Price, represent Wisconsin, as Upper Great Plains Region III Board Members and will remain seated until the Wisconsin Building Inspector Association ICC Chapter's development of policy for assignment/election to these representative positions.

Also, Loral Curran and Janie Price are developing a Wisconsin ICC Permit Technicians Association. This would be a great opportunity to get your supporting/assistance staff into a recognized affiliation of the ICC. Loral and Janie would welcome Charter Officers and assistance in the development of this association representing Wisconsin.

We all understand the influence ICC is and will be having on our Wisconsin Fire and Building Safety programs. The ICC organization is a member driven entity and it's members demand professional representation. Wisconsin has unparalleled resources and experience in Fire Safety and Building Code administrations. This is an excellent opportunity to place leaders into Region III to represent our Wisconsin needs and concerns.

Please contact me if you would be interested, or know someone who would represent Wisconsin in one of these three or future committee assignments.

Thanks.

How to contact Mr. Price: 715-822-8537 Cumberland Office, 715-790-8537 Cell, 715-466-4440 Minong Office, 715-822-4037 Fax, [jpricejr@charter.net](mailto:jpricejr@charter.net)



**Building Safety Week** will be celebrated May 7-13, 2006 to recognize the importance of making homes and buildings safe places where people can live, work and play. Sponsored by the [International Code Council Foundation](#), Building Safety Week was first observed in 1980.

The theme of Building Safety Week 2006, "Building a Safer World Together," reflects the importance of getting everyone involved in the prevention of safety and security hazards. This web site provides information to educate the [public](#) and [children](#) about building safety. It also includes [resources](#) for building safety and fire prevention professionals to use in educating communities about building safety throughout the year.

### Tentative Education for Upcoming MBPTA Meetings

**March** meeting at the City of New Hope - **Steve Nelson**, City of Shoreview Building Official will be doing a short presentation on deck construction, plan review and inspection.

**May** meeting at the City of Elk River - Herman Hauglid from the state will be giving us a workshop update on Contractor Licensing.

**July** meeting at the City of Hastings - Ron Sonnek, will be doing a workshop on how to get the most of the online BIT classes. Also, going over the fall class schedules at Inver Hills Community College and at North Hennepin Community College.

**September** meeting at the City of St. Louis Park - Aaron Borken is working on the education.

**November** Annual Business meeting - Sally Lederer will be doing a Communication workshop in the morning. Sally teaches courses in Managerial Communication, Small Group Communication, Interpersonal Communication, and Technical Writing. She is currently the Marketing Manager for MELSA, an alliance of 102 metro public libraries in the Twin Cities. She is also adjunct faculty for the Carlson School of Management and for the University of Saint Thomas College of Business. A luncheon is also schedule with our annual business meeting to follow in the afternoon.

Sally Lederer



## DO YOU HAVE YOUR MBPTA CERTIFICATION?

If so, we'd like to know about it. Please contact us so that we can place your name in our newsletter. If you have any comments about your experience, please let us know. You deserve to be recognized by MBPTA for your important accomplishment!

### MBPTA COURSE INFORMATION

If you would like information regarding the Building Permit Technician program, you can obtain information by visiting the Inver Hills Community College website at [www.inverhills.edu](http://www.inverhills.edu) or the North Hennepin Community College website at [www.nhcc.edu/schedule/](http://www.nhcc.edu/schedule/). The courses are under "Building Permit Technology."

### 2006 ~ MBPTA Committee Roster

**Planning/Education** - The planning & Education committee mainly corresponds through e-mail. Meetings only occur if necessary. The object of this committee is to plan the education at the five (5) regularly scheduled meetings throughout the year and the annual seminar that is held in the fall that corresponds with the Annual Business Meeting for MBPTA.

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**Bylaws** - The Bylaws committee corresponds mainly through e-mail. The sole responsibility of this committee is to ensure the bylaws are being followed and to suggest changes prior to the Annual Business Meeting.

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**State of Minnesota Education Advisory** - This individual serves on the State of Minnesota Education Advisory Committee. This committee meets at various locations approximately every four (4) to six (6) weeks. This is an advisory committee to the State of Minnesota Building Codes and Standards Division and to the Colleges. This committee makes recommendations for changes with the Building Inspection Technology courses and recommends instructors for those courses.

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| (NEED AN ALTERNATE)                                                                                                                     |

**Annual Institute** - The Annual Institute Planning Committee shall meet once a month from February through August of each year to plan for the Annual Educational offering that is held typically at the beginning of each year.

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**Disaster - This individual will meet approximately every four (4) to six (6) weeks to discuss preventative measures for Natural Disasters.**

Jackie Gritz - City of Arden Hills - (651) 634-5120 - [jackie.gritz@ci.arden-hills.mn.us](mailto:jackie.gritz@ci.arden-hills.mn.us)

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**10,000 Lakes Representative -This individual will attend the 10,000 Lakes Chapter Meetings every month and keep the members of MBPTA informed.**

Aaron Borken - City of St. Louis Park - (952) 924-2588 - [aborken@stlouispark.org](mailto:aborken@stlouispark.org)

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**Website – This individual will maintain the MBPTA website.**

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C) = Chair      (CC) = Co-Chair      (ALT) = Alternate

**Attention MBPTA Members:**

Please review the Committee roster. If you are currently serving on a committee and would like to remain or would like to be removed from the committee, please contact me at (763) 717-4028 or at [barb.benesch@ci.mounds-view.mn.us](mailto:barb.benesch@ci.mounds-view.mn.us). Volunteers are needed on the Annual Institute committee. The 2006 Executive Board will make appointments for chair and vice chair at the beginning of the year. Thank you.

Just For Fun

"Erin Go Bragh" means "Ireland for ever"

Wee Bit O' Irish

You're the flash and sparkle in dark Irish eyes.  
You're the whimsy and charm of leprechaun guise.  
You're the treasured gold at the rainbow's end.  
You're the beauty and mystery of emerald glens.  
You're the top o' the mornin' - my cup of tea.  
You're springtime adornin'...blessings on thee!



## Irish Boiled Dinner

### Ingredients :

4 pounds brisket corned beef  
1 clove garlic, minced  
1 bay leaf  
1 can onion soup  
4 whole peppercorns  
6 medium potatoes, quartered  
1/2 cup celery cut into 1" pieces  
1/4 teaspoon rosemary, crushed  
6 medium carrots, cut into 1" pieces  
1 medium green cabbage, cut into wedges  
3 tablespoons flour  
3 tablespoons water

### Preparation:

Rinse corned beef and place in large heavy pan. Add soup and seasonings. Cover and cook over low heat for 3-1/2 hours. Add potatoes, carrots and celery. Place cabbage on top and cover. Cook for about 1 hour or until everything is tender. Remove meat, vegetables and bay leaf. Gradually blend water into flour until smooth. Slowly stir into sauce. Stir and cook until thickened.

# HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

*Minnesota Building Permit Technicians Association*



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