

Tampa Bay Association of Code Enforcement (TBACE)

Meeting Minute from February 3, 2015

The regular meeting of the Tampa Bay Association of Code Enforcement (TBACE) was hosted by the City of Bradenton on 2/3/2015. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon by President Liz Nichols. The following members were present:

Barbara Basilico-Riley	City of Tampa	Jeffrey Berg	City of Pinellas Park
Tom Borroni	City of Temple Terrace	Wendy Chabot	City of Bradenton Beach
Linda Coomey	City of Tampa	Debbie Cunio	City of Temple Terrace
Diane Devol	City of Clearwater	Gail Garneau	City Bradenton Beach
Joe Gross	City of Temple Terrace	Lee Hartman	City of Tamp
Robert Horne	City of Pinellas Park	Sarah Lamb	City of Oldsmar
Jose LeBron	City of Bradenton	Rick Letz	City of Oldsmar
Anthony Mazzeo	City of Largo	Janet McMahan	City of Clearwater
Susan Meier	Hillsborough County	Kimberli Murphy	City of Bradenton
Aminta Owen	City of Tampa	Kevin Poole	City of Clearwater
Vicki Pratt-Boone	City of Tampa	Reiss Volker	City of Bradenton
Mark Runnals	City of Bradenton	Diane Sacca	City of Anna Maria
John Sahagian	City of Tampa	Sal Scrozzo	City of Temple Terrace
Dee Shawn	City of Clearwater	Len Valentii	City of Temple Terrace
MaryJo Weaver	City of Clearwater	Liz Nichols	City of New Port Richey
Carman Marcann	City of Tampa	Wallace Nelson	City of Tampa
Jenna Knopstein	City of Largo	Rachel Laurel	City of New Port Richey
Michael Maginness	City of Bradenton		

Introduction/Announcements

President Liz Nichols thanked the City of Bradenton for hosting the first meeting for the New Year, and for providing lunch. Joe Gross from the City of Temple Terrace handed out survey forms from FACE regarding education. He explained that FACE wanted to find out what were the items or areas of interest regarding education. He requested that each person fill one out and turn it back into him before the end of the meeting. He also had an agency comparison survey from his city that he requested be filled out and returned before the meeting ended.

Report of the Officers

President: Liz Nichols reminded everyone that the FACE conference this year is being held in Naples, FL. Dates of the conference are June 24-26, 2015. Scholarship money is available if people are interested in attending and money is an issue with their agency. Applications are available on the TBACE website. Also, there is still the need for host cities for the upcoming TBACE meetings for 2015. Funds are available through TBACE to assist with the cost of hosting and providing lunch. Please contact Liz if any agencies are willing to host for the upcoming meetings.

Vice President: Mark reminded members if they had a request for a specific topic of education or a specific speaker, to please contact him.

Treasurer: Susan reported a starting balance of \$1230.51 with total revenue from membership dues collected at \$315.00 for the period of 10/07/14 through 02/03/15. Ending balance as of the meeting date is \$1545.51. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report made by Vicki Pratt, City of Tampa; seconded by Janet McMahan, City of Clearwater. All approved, no opposed. Report submitted.

Secretary: The position of Secretary became vacant in January of 2015. TBACE President has the authority to appoint a person to the position when it become vacant before the entire term is served. The position of secretary was filled, by Diane Devol, City of Clearwater.

Program

Jonathan Simkins of Insect IQ Inc. spoke on Bees. He explained about the different types of bees and explained specifics characteristics of them and how they nest. The African honey bee, that has now come into Florida, is a very aggressive honey bee that will attack people and animals. He advises people to stay away from them and have them professionally removed. When these bees are removed they are killed off. He wanted all inspectors to be aware that the African honey bee will attack 10 times more and 10 times further then a regular honey bee. They also are known to swarm 4 to 8 times a year. Busy season starts when the citrus starts to bloom. He also spoke about different types of bee hives and how to identify what type of hive is associated with specifics types of bees. His slide show was very enlightening with pictures of both bees and bee hives. All contact information was given out. If an inspectors have bee issues Jonathan can be reached at customerservice@insectIQ.com or 885-930-BEES.

New Business

Vicki Pratt-Boone, from City of Tampa, wanted to let inspectors know that at the FACE conference this year they are planning to have a talent show. She asked people to consider being part of the talent show program. She also continued to encourage people to get registered to attend the annual conference in Naples, FL this year.

Still in need of an agency to host the next member meeting, to be held on April 7.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Lee Hartman, and seconded by Mike McGuinness. Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Diane Devol
TBACE Secretary

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