



# Philadelphia Suburban Association of Plumbing ~ Heating ~ Cooling Contractors

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## **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**Date: 03 / 01 / 2021 Location: Training Center & Zoom**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Jesse Crouse called meeting to order at 7:10 PM

**Absent:** Jim Kenney III, James Kenney, Tom Feehan, Jim Bradley Jr., Mike McCullough, Greg Super, Andrew Cappello

**Guest:** John Marshall, Ben Levenger and Stan Levenger

**School Renovation Project:** Ben Levenger explained that we need to decide if we are going to manage the renovation project in house or through a GC. If we use a GC, we will most likely be spending around \$90,000.00 more on the project. After a lengthy discussion between spending the \$90,000 with a GC and the how much more work this will put on Mike if we do it in house, there was another discussion about forming a Renovation Project Committee with John McCuen and Mike McGraw as chairs of this committee plus a minimum of (5) additional committee members.

A motion was made to form the Renovation Project Committee, seconded, and passed to form the committee.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to manage the renovation project in house.

Ben has submitted all paperwork to Laura Cairns at the Delaware County Redevelopment Authority. Ben expressed some concerns about the Loan specifications and interest rate from FMFCU. He thought the interest rate was a little high for the loan.

After some discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and carried to allow Ben to speak with FMFCU about the loan and to look into other possible financing institutions with better financing and to ask for loan amount to be \$625,000 in lieu of the original \$400,000 approved by FMFCU. Ben will follow up with Mike.

Ben said we can start picking contractors who we would like to get bids from and trying to get them to do a walk through before the Bid day when Bid drawings will be provided.

Mike McGraw will follow up with John Marshall about the steel for the retractable partitions.

Mike is meeting with Dino (Marshall / Sabatini and the Mechanical engineer (hpe Group) tomorrow morning at 10:30.

**Reading of Previous Board Meeting Minutes:** Andrew Cappello

Motion made & carried to suspend with the reading of the January 7, 2021 Board Meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mike McGraw gave account balances for the Association, Legal, School and Banquet accounts.

Mike said that The Training Center was approved for a 2<sup>nd</sup> PPP loan for \$29,700. Our forgiveness application for our 1<sup>st</sup> PPP Loan was forgiven.

Motion was made & carried to accept report as presented.

**State Director Report:** Mike McGraw said there will be no State Convention this year. Not much going on right now but hopefully we are starting to get back to normal with meetings and events once everyone has been vaccinated.

At the last Executive Committee meeting there some discussion about having a State Apprenticeship Contest with a contestant from the three programs and online students. They talked about possibly having the competition at the Training Center.

**Apprenticeship:** Mike McGraw reported that for the most part everything is going well at the school.

Few attendance problems and few COVID-19 issues. Instructors are required to spray sanitizer on all chairs, tables and door handles after each class.

**Back Flow:** John McCuen said there is an ASSE Recert class on March 13<sup>th</sup>, April 17<sup>th</sup> and a full 40-hour Certification class June 5, 6, 12 & 13<sup>th</sup>. ASSE is back to regular schedule for recertifying, the COVID grace period is over. If your certification expires you cannot test until you recertify and you have six months to recertify.

**By-Laws:** John Luke and John McCuen are going to review the new State By-Laws and recommend amendments needed for our Association.

**Code:** John Luke said Upper Darby has only one inspector now and may possibly be looking into a third-party agency to do their inspections.

Jesse Crouse said Concord Township is now using Keystone, a third-party inspection agency. They are also doing inspections for several other municipalities and not always available when needed.

**Education:** There is a PA PHCC Sewer & Lateral Recert class and a New S & L Certification class via Zoom on Thursday March 24<sup>th</sup>. John Galligan is the instructor.

**Entertainment:** The Fishing Trip is back on and scheduled for Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup>. Mike will send out details.

The Golf Outing will be on Friday October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Mike will check in with the Phillies for a date possibly toward the end of the season and if tailgating will be allowed.

**Legislation:** Mike and Walt Krzyzanowski have completed writing the language for the new Plumbing Licensure Bill. The next step is typing it up and giving to John Kane to forward to the Legislative Reference Board who will review and make edits to language if necessary. Once approved by the LRB it will be given a bill number and then John will introduce the bill in the Senate. We are hoping it gets introduced by the end of March.

**Membership:** No report

**National:** Connect 2021 will be in-person in Kansas City October 20-22, 2021. Look for more info on registration coming soon.



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**Nominating:** No Report

**Relief:** No Report

**Associate Member Report:** No Report

**Technical Advisor Report:** No report

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** A motion was made and carried for Mike to check with Anthony's to see if they can accommodate meeting space and separate checks for our Board meetings.

**For the Good of the Association:** Al Sgro needs a ramp so Roxanne can get him from the house to car for appointments and therapy. Ken Morrison gave an estimate of \$3,100 to construct the ramp. Mike will design a donation form for members and send out via email.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried that the Association and School will cover the cost of the remaining funds needed to build the ramp.

Roxanne told Mike that since Al fell and hit his head his progress is decreasing, and he is very frustrated.

**Next Board Meeting:** Monday April 5, 2021. A motion was made and carried to hold in-person at the Training Center. There was some discussion in improving how we can do in-person and virtual. We will look into this and if anything changes Mike will let the board know. This meeting did not work well with some in-person and others via Zoom.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM

Michael McGraw

PSA PHCC Executive Director