

STATE ELECTRICAL BOARD MEETING
January 17, 2025

ATTENDEES: Division Director Craig Thelen, John Hiller, Don Gerjevic, Steve Farrington, Mike Hunsberger, Boyd Pedersen, Nate Francis and Chief Clint Hansen.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Mike Hunsberger at 9:00 am No discussion of meeting minutes occurred. Motion to approve minutes made by Boyd Pedersen and seconded by John Hiller Voting aye; all.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Director Thelen financial report 50.41% of the year has elapsed and we are at 37.66% spent, Cash reserve is at \$1,602,795.51.

Renewal fees are at 1,035,000.00 with approximately 11,500 licensed.

Discussion was had about vehicles and software expense.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

License renewal goes through March 31,2025.

Director Thelen and Chief Hansen met with MOBA-Metro of Omaha Builders Association to discuss the code adoption and talk about what is happening in the State. Board members John Hiller and Don Gerjevic were in attendance.

Director Thelen and Chief Hansen will be presenting at the Managers Meeting in February for the NREA. Hot topic is disconnects.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Hansen and Supervisor Kim Farnstrom interviewed the candidates for the District 18 inspector position and we extended an offer to Ted Vakoc, who actually worked for us about 20 years ago, he will start February 4th.

Next quarterly staff meeting will be March 26th-27th and will include the Municipal Programs.

Director Thelen and Chief Hansen have been working on a plan for a 50th anniversary open house this year, likely it will be in early December to coincide with the Holiday party for the Division.

Director Thelen would like to discuss the 90-day grace period for licensing, discussion was had and included discussion about licensing going to every 3 years to align with the code updates, and the Board will decide the direction at a later date to align with any potential Legislative Bills for next session.

Director Thelen and Chief Hansen finished our balloting for the NFPA 70 NEC 2026 edition for code panels 10 and 15.

Director Thelen gave an update on Legislative Bills, at this point there are no bills that impact the State Electrical Division.

Director Thelen reported that the Electrical Divisions Attorney General contact is now Ben Kinnison as John Jelkin has retired.

Director Thelen submitted his travel schedule to include NASCLA, NFPA, NERA and IAEL and the Board voted on it. A motion to approve the Directors travel schedule was made by John Hiller and seconded by Boyd Pedersen all in favor Aye; all.

Next Board Meeting is March 14,2025

Motion to adjourn at 9:55 am by John Hiller and seconded by Don Gerjevic all in favor Aye; all



Craig Thelen, Executive Secretary