



**MASSACHUSETTS FEDERATION OF BUILDING  
OFFICIALS, Inc.**

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**Officers**

President – Robert Borden  
Vice President – Jeff Clemons  
Treasure – Dave Jansen  
Secretary – Richard Leibowitz

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**Minutes**

October 24, 2017

Location: Charlton Public Library

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**Meeting Called to Order: 9:25**

**Minutes:** Motion to accept September Minutes, Motion passed

**Treasurers Report:** Dave Jansen

- Clothing major contributor to treasury
- Instatrak Bill moved to current fiscal year

Motion to accept treasurers report, motion passed

**Old Business:**

- Legislative review committee, Dan W.

Senate Bill 1301 and House Bill 2481; Legislation promoting local adoption of single-family sprinkler systems has been moved out of committee. Opposed by MFBO. Board to develop talking points for association members to bring to their Representatives.

Talking points to be reviewed and approved by Board before being sent out to Association membership.

Best strategy appears to be to address the origins of these Bills and seek common ground.

Bills are currently in Ways and Means.

**Motion** to take these three Bills: one fire protection, 143 to 148 and two local adoption bills, to the leadership of the of the Associations to see if they would support a deal with the Fire Chiefs to stop filing these reoccurring Bills in lieu possible reducing the square footage sprinkler requirements for single family homes. Motion Passed

**Motion** to accept September Minutes with minor change, Motion Passed as amended.

**Treasures Report:** Instatrack bill to be moved to fiscal year. Revenue from clothing, dues, total balance discussed. Motion to accept report, Motion Passed.

**MBCIA,** Question regarding the participation of MBCIA, renewed open invitation to participate.

### **New Business:**

**Discussion;** The possibility of forming a Political Action Committee (PAC) for the MFBO. Discussion revolved around our responsibility to increase our involved in State Politics. The Board will continue researching PAC's, and determine how they work, if one would be of value to our organization and how the political and legal ramifications would effect our organization. Discussion concluded with an agreement to take this idea to the membership.

President Borden suggested inviting Walter White from the Architectural Access Board to come and speak to the Board on current activities of the AAB Board.

BBRS review with Dan Walsh

President Borden read a letter from the Metro West Building Officials Organization stating, Tin Htway no longer represents their organization. A Motion was made to accept Mr. Htway as an associate non-voting member...Motion passed.

A letter was read from Paul Tacy indicating his resignation from the MFBO Board. The Board moved to thank Paul Tacy for his continued support and hard work for all Building Officials from the very beginning of the MFBO, as a founding member. Discussion ensued on what to do about apparel.

Motion to have the secretary establish a post office box for the MFBO.  
Motion passed

President Borden spoke of an up coming meeting with Commissioner Bostel, which includes Association Presidents. Will report back at next meeting. Main topic of discussion, BBRS staffing, training funds, blended code.

Motion to adjourn 12:00 motion passed