Minutes of CAHPI – Atlantic, Truro, September 20, 2010.

Meeting opened 10:00AM Blaine Swan : Chair

Roll Call

Blaine Swan, Armand Dufresne, Brian Hutchinson, Dale Mullen, Sam Lorefice, Robert MacArthur, Steven Manuel, Edgar Poirier, Norman Leblanc, Lawrence Englehart, Stephen Garland, Chuck Crocker, Eddy Crocker, Terry Gordon, Mike Derrah, Glen Strang, Scott Maclean, Scott Davis, Don Myers, Rod MacKinnon, Allan Thompson, Phil Brun, Allen Dempsey, Stephen Hall, Stephen Hynes, Jame Kane, Ray Chevarie, David Hunt, Doug Wheatley, Cyril Des Jardins, Roger Green, Suzanne Clark, Behroot Moraffer, Jason Matheson. Clark Hubley, Bill Curry.

Previous minutes Motioned to approve, Dale Mullen, James Kane. Motioned carried.

Reports

Blaine Swan – President

Attended the June Newfoundland Chapter meeting

They have 10 members, 8 were present

1 new from Labrador City, is eager to get started and needs training.

Issues for them is local training.

We are looking into possible seniors.

Dale suggested that some on line courses might be possible.

Ed is willing to go, if there are sufficient numbers. Perhaps CAHPI could offset some costs.

They would like to have something at our next meeting.

There are some compliance issues, i.e. use of logo, code of ethics, all by our own members. We need to make sure all members have copy of our bylaws and code of ethics. (Eliminate excuses) Members will face possible suspension for abuse or non compliance.

Meeting in Ottawa as V.P. CAHPI-National

Met with Construction Council of Canada, confirmed National Certification is being absorbed by CAHPI and CMHC knows that we did not kill the program.

Consultant for NCP looking at The Institute of Accreditation Excellence (ICE) as approving body. CAHPI Atlantic and BC to be first to start process.

Governments wants/need an outside accreditation body.

Exam and a TIPR to verify quality of a members inspection. Steve Garland had some question about training, org and exams that Blaine answered.

Dale- should we have training guidelines for members. What courses should they take beyond our mandatory requirements. Should we be recommending? TBA

BC- made a mistake in their applicant member requirements, they will likely need to resolve.

There will be a meeting held to discuss/review standards for National.(Date not firm)

Terry asked where we stand re other organizations.

Large percent of inspectors are not in any association.

We are opened to having unaligned, but can we do what they want.

Our point system may need tweaking, to deal with various/types entry levels.

Ed asked if government would allow more than one group to self regulate or license.(YES)

Steven asked who owns what (under the ICE regime)

Blaine (CAHPI owns the program) ICE is an accrediting body. For the program/content.

E&O maybe required, example BC has made it mandatory.

Suzanne asked how would we deliver training, suggested we could take advantage of new technology to reduce travel and make it easier for members to access. Also, perhaps we could buy training courses from developers. TBA.

Blaine, clarified that Applicant members need to submit a report for verification. This is part of the requirements.

Blaine- We have been asked if we would be willing to take on the CAHPI- National Conference for 2012. (Ontario has opted out)

Blaine asked for a motioned from the floor.

Motion made to the floor

Rod MacKinnon- first

Steven Manuel – second

Motion carried

Date to be determined.

Location Halifax.

Terry accepted to head the project, with help from members.

Please sign up to help him.

Presentation on using digital cameras- Brian Hutchinson and Norm Leblanc.

Lunch break:

Blaine went over our new membership requirements and levels per our latest Bylaws.

- 1)Student Level (Non practicing) 2 years to move forward, not on website.
- 2)Probationary Associate Home Inspector. (1 year to move forward, must attend 3 meeting and complete our defect course, the exam, report verification, and TIPR)
- 3) Associate Home Inspector. 5 years to move forward per our program.
- 4)Registered Home Inspector. TIPR and a "new and review course" every five years or move back to Associate level.

Presentation- Tim Ambrose- EnviroBate- Bedford, Nova Scotia

Provided an excellent presentation on Asbestos removal, mold and other environmental issues.

Answered many question from the floor.

Foster Product and fogging, used to do clean up of bold etc.

New Biz

Blaine

New standards of practice being has been completed, will be released soon. (Likely at conference)

Check or website for the new doc.

Vice-president Brian Hutchinson

Government, Ramona Jennex and her people, they are waiting to see what rest of the country are doing, before they act. We plan to be proactive and keep on their case lobbying.

- try to get politicians motivated
- get petition to bankers, appraisers, and lawyers, etc.

Doug Wheatley will look into getting quotes for conducting a poll regarding public opinions and issues about home inspections.

Treasure- Sam Lorefice

We are in good financial condition.

- some dues not yet in.
- some bills left to pay for conference
- will soon be invoicing for next years membership.
- due date is Jan 01, 10
- we should look at seed money for 2011-12 conference(we did get some from national last time)

Professional Standards- Glen Strang

- a few things came in and were resolved
- new issues from insurances companies, cast iron pipe
- suggested we put a disclaimer in our contracts regarding insurance companies and their opinions/needs.
- Send people to our website if you get a complaint.

Education- Ed Poirier

Defect Course proposed to be held on Nov 19,20,21, 2010 in Moncton, NS. Book course through him.

Policy Manual- Steven Manuel

- in progress
- membership binders- Terry to provide
- Terry and Steve working together to complete the task.
- Rod McKinnon to contact the hotel for arrangements

Next meeting, Moncton, Nov. 22, 2010

Motion to adjourn meeting Mike Derrah Second Glen Strang Closed.

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