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“The goal of the Minnesota Building Permits Technicians Association is to provide, promote, and support education, networking, professionalism, certification, and recognition of its membership.”

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Meet Your 2009 MBPTA Officers!

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Barb Williams,
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Secretary I; Britt
Pease, President;
May Vang,
Secretary II; and
Patti Wasmund,
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Code Council Board, CEO kick off Codes Forum with a Town Hall Meeting

Code Council Board President Adolf Zubia and CEO Rick Weiland invite you to a Town Hall Meeting March 22, at the Sheraton New Orleans in the Gallery Room. Board members and Weiland will present reports on new initiatives regarding code development hearings scheduling and process, and conduct a Q&A session with you and other attendees

The 2009 Codes Forum, March 23-25, is an educational program that will provide you and all code professionals with unprecedented learning opportunities.

In addition to classroom training, through a partnership with the Make It Right Foundation, you can participate in a one-of-a-kind learning opportunity in the Lower 9th Ward of New Orleans, a neighborhood devastated by Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Founded by actor Brad Pitt, this Foundation seeks to be a catalyst for redevelopment of the historic neighborhood by rebuilding a community of safe and healthy homes emphasizing affordability, high-quality design and sustainable construction. Activities and discussions will focus on code compliant design, building strategies and best practices. For more information or to register, to://www.goeshow.com/codes/home.cfm





2008 MBPTA Membership

Annual MBPTA membership dues vary by size and type of your City or organization. The membership period is January 1 through December 31 of each year. The 2009 Membership Application can be found at:

WWW.MBPTA.ORG

Benefits of Membership Include:

- Quality Education and Training Opportunities**
- Discounts on Seminar Rates**
- Wide Variety of Networking Opportunities**
- Scholarships for Higher Learning Programs for Members and Children of Members**

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**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

**MBPTA currently has
openings on several
committees.**

Contact any MBPTA officer

Hello everyone:

Welcome to MBPTA 2009! I'm proud to serve another year as MBPTA President. It appears 2009 will be a challenging year for city government. The declining economy and budget cuts are going to affect many of our educational opportunities, possible membership and job positions. First and foremost, I hope everyone's job is secure. Because of the economic downturn, the International Code Council (ICC) has made a revision to the current "Chapter Training Benefit Program". We have been informed there is a reduction in staff and programs due to the reduced revenues. The free education day we receive from ICC has been revised to a "Chapter Benefit Webinar" that will be broadcast with live instructor participation. This free education day is important to our members and adds to chapter revenue as well. See full article in this newsletter for all the details and the choices for topics of interest for upcoming educational classes that may be offered. The education committee will discuss how these changes will affect our annual education day and keep members posted on the results.

Our last MBPTA meeting was our Annual Business Meeting at the City of Andover. Your 2009 MBPTA officers were elected (some re-elected), they are as follows: Britt Pease – President, Barb Williams – Vice President, Patti Wasmund, Treasurer I, Barb Benesch – Secretary I, May Vang – Secretary II, Treasurer II – position vacant. Congratulations to our new and repeat officers.

MBPTA COMMITTEES: I would like to see some "new" faces participate and serve on a committee this year. To join one of our committees, feel free to contact any officer. We try to keep meetings down to a minimum and correspond mostly via e-mail. I would like member feedback and ideas for education, web site improvements, newsletter articles, charitable events and By-Law improvements.

Just a reminder that our chapter offers "complimentary" Permit Technicians Certification study materials. These books were sent to MBPTA to start a lending library and promote ICC Certification throughout our chapter. Please let me know if anyone is interested in borrowing these books. We will also have practice test questions and answers listed in each newsletter this year. We will review the questions and answers at each meeting. Practice questions will also be available on our web site and updated monthly. I would like to see our number of certified permit technician's increase in 2009.

Message from your President (Cont.)

I encourage everyone to join MBPTA this year, because of the economic times we have not increased our membership fees. I look forward to seeing previous and new members at our meetings

this year. There is no cost to attend the MBPTA regular meetings once your membership dues are paid. We will be offering some great education this year at our meetings. Membership applications are available on our website at www.mbpta.org.

I enjoyed representing our association and working with the board in 2008 and now in 2009. Let's make 2009 an outstanding year for the Minnesota Permit Technicians!

Sincerely,

Britt Pease

President, MBPTA

Prevent Your Water Pipes from Freezing!

Pipes can freeze and burst when outside temperatures drop below 20 degrees.

The damage from even a minor break in your pipes can be devastating: "A one-eighth inch (3-millimeter) crack in a pipe can spew out more than 250 gallons of water a day."

Here are a few verbatim tips from State Farm, handily organized into list format by yours truly:

1. Disconnect outside garden hoses.
2. Wrap exposed pipes with insulating sleeves or tape.
3. Seal foundation cracks that let arctic air freeze pipes in crawlspaces.

If the mercury is dropping fast and you want some quick, temporary fixes, State Farm suggests the following:

1. Open cabinet doors to allow heat to get to piping under sinks and vanities near exterior walls.
2. Run a small trickle of water at vulnerable cold and hot faucets.

Are you energy and/or money conscious? Don't be too quick to cut the heat in your home. If you live in a perpetually cold winter climate, the Red Cross recommends keeping the thermostat above 55 degrees.

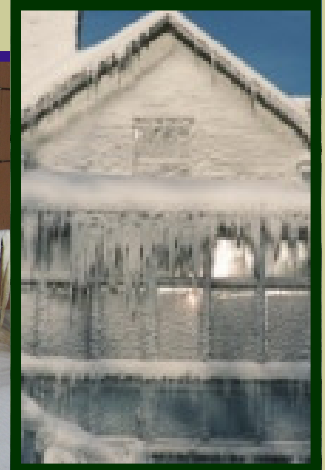
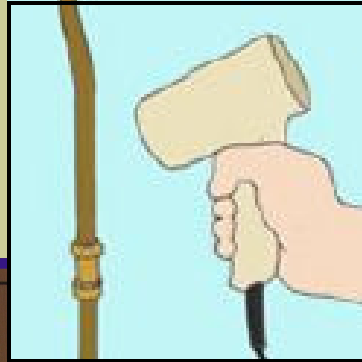
(There are better ways to conserve energy and save money: get storm windows and doors and add insulation to thin areas to prevent heat loss.)

If your pipes do burst, the first order of business, before you call a plumber, is to turn off your water supply. Now would be a good time to learn how to do this (and teach everyone in your household how to as well) if you don't already know!



Water Damage Caused by Frozen Pipes:

*A big thanks to Tori Leonhardt
from the City of Albertville
for the photos!*



NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, February 24, 2009
City of Blaine, 9:30 a.m.

Attention MBPTA
Members:
If you would like
serve on an
MBPTA
Committee, please
contact any
MBPTA Officer.
Volunteers are
needed--thank
you!

We're on the web....visit us at
www.MBPTA.org

If you would like
information regarding the
Building Permit
Technician program, you
can obtain information by
visiting the Inver Hills
Community College
website at
www.inverhills.edu or the
North Hennepin
Community College
website at [www.nhcc.edu/
schedule/](http://www.nhcc.edu/schedule/). The courses
are under "Building
Permit Technology.

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by Friday, February
20th , only if you are
planning to attend.

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Approval of minutes for November 25, 2008 meeting
4. Approval of Treasurer's Report
5. Committee Reports
 - A. Education - U of M, Michele Engberg
Regions III Update, Roger Axel/Britt Pease
 - B. Communications Committee - Barb Williams/Barb Benesch
 - C. State Advisory Board - Linda Singer/Michele Engberg
 - D. 10K Lakes Representative - Steve Nelson
 - E. Bylaws - Patti Wasmund/Kathy Pepin
6. General Business
 - A. ICC Rewards Benefit - Britt Pease
 - B. Update our ICC "Free Day" Education
 - C. Charitable Events - Patti Wasmund
 - D. Review Permit Tech Questions & Answers
 - E. Open Floor For Comments/Questions/Discussions
7. Adjournment

Immediately following the meeting, Jeremiah Anderson, Housing/
Code Enforcement Inspector for the City of Mounds View, will give a
brief presentation on moisture intrusion in single family homes.

Caring for our Community:

Cash or check donations for food to "Hunger Solutions
of MN" www.hungersolutions.org. Please make your
checks payable to "Hunger Solutions of MN" and
thanks for giving.

Revised Code Council Chapter Training Benefit Program

As you may be aware from the communication sent by Board President Adolf Zubia and CEO Rick Weiland last week, the ICC 2009 budget adopted by the Board will result in a revision to the current Chapter Training Benefit Program. This change is a direct result of the economic downturn, which has hit your chapter members' jurisdictions and businesses along with the ICC, causing a reduction in staff and programs due to reduced revenues. We are deeply appreciative of the relationship that has been built between the Code Council and its Chapters. We know that the free training benefit not only serves to provide important education for our members, but also can act as a focal point for Chapter meetings and Chapter revenue. Rather than ending the benefit, we are in the process of creating a new benefit that can be managed in these tight budgetary times.

The Training and Education Department will develop a customized Chapter Benefit Webinar that will be broadcast with live instructor participation. This webinar will be provided complimentary to our Chapters. The flexibility of this option should prove very attractive; options will include the capability to deliver the training directly to individual computers – in this case, Chapters may wish to offer the training by managing an access code (and charge for access if desired). Given that many regional and state Chapters also are being hit by travel restrictions, this option may attract more participants given the option of taking the training at one's home or office. Another option is to host a viewing of the webinar in a group setting, where participants would benefit from peer discussion. The Chapter Benefit Webinar will contain several modules highlighting our most requested topics and be available to all interested chapters. Chapters will be able to choose from a maximum of six specific broadcast dates. Due to cost restrictions, this specific Chapter Benefit Webinar product, including content and instructors, cannot be customized to individual Chapter requests; however we will be able to customize the webinar at a discount to Chapters.

The webinar format used by the Code Council is a state-of-the-art approach that involves broadcasting an actual course with the instructor available live to answer questions throughout the training. The support materials for webinars will be provided on the web to download. This format allows the Code Council to offer the very best instructors for each subject, viewable on an individual computer screen or any other broadcast venue of the Chapter's choice. Webinars also make a contribution to overall efforts to adopt green practices that will reduce energy and paper consumption, creating a positive impact on our carbon footprint.

As the contents, dates and other details are being developed, there will be a moratorium on scheduling any chapter benefit training until further notice. We hope to have the new benefit package designed and available for scheduling before the end of January. All previously signed Letters of Agreement with the T&E Department will be honored for the courses and dates designated.

We know that many of you have traditions regarding the timing of your Chapter benefit training and may have already made plans based on past years. Last month, we moved to lower expectations of a continued classroom training benefit based on the deliberations of the Board's budget committee in November. At that time, we suspended the signing of any Letters of Agreement for Chapter Benefit Training pending a final budget decision by the Board at its December 20 meeting. We have informed inquiring chapters that we could not commit to their requests. As an alternative or in addition to the new, free webinar benefit, we will continue to offer training to Chapters at a special discount below our regular rates. Discount Chapter training will be available for our core curriculum including courses specific to the 2009 code changes.

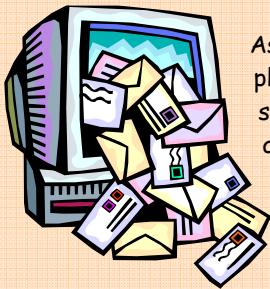
President Zubia and CEO Weiland indicated in their letter to you that the Code Council remains committed to its core mission of code development and technical support to improve building safety across the United States and around the world. All of us at the Code Council are sensitive to the impacts of the global economic crisis on your budgets, including travel and training. We are hopeful that this new benefit will open up new approaches to support your needs and sustain our ability to manage our 2009 budget.

In the coming weeks you will hear more specifics regarding the new Chapter Benefit Webinar. Thank you for your support and best wishes for the coming New Year.

Sincerely, Mike Armstrong, Senior Vice President, Member Services and Communications & Sara Yerkes, Senior Vice President, Government Relations

eNews - The Int'l Code Council's award-winning electronic newsletter, distributed monthly, keeps members and interested parties up to date with Int'l Code Council programs and relevant industry activities. Read the current issue at www.iccsafe.org/news.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR INFORMATION



As always, please make sure you send all RSVP's and mailing list

information

to Barb Benesch. You only need to RSVP if you are coming to the meeting. You need not respond if you will not be able to make it (unless you are an officer).

If you are currently receiving a hard copy through the mail, and you have access to e-mail, please let me know and I will put you on the e-mail list.



We would love to receive articles for this newsletter! If you have any information, ideas or tidbits you would like to share, let us know.

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ICC Chapter Benefit Webinars

You may have heard a little bit about how ICC is dealing with chapter benefit program. Instead of the free instructor day, they will be providing a free webinar day. Below is a list of webinar offerings. Most have really little if nothing to do with the administrative area of the current contract training offerings or Permit Technician interests as a whole. Unfortunately, this may force Permit Technician Chapters around the nation to contract with other agencies for training or pay the price for contracted trainers from ICC. Many Permit Technician Chapters depend on the chapter benefit to enable the chapter to bring low cost or free training to its membership, not only for the educational benefit but so they may earn CEU credits. Permit Technicians are, in general, the last to receive funding for such training, and as such it is very important for us to use our earned benefits.

The following is a list of webinar offering choices:

- 2006 IBC Solving Means of Egress in Commercial Buildings
- 2006 IRC Wall Bracing
- 2006 IFC High Piled Combustible Storage
- 2006 Wildland Urban Interface
- 2006 IBC Mixed Occupancies
- 2006 IBC Accessibility & Usability
- Inspection Concerns: Gathering Evidence & Right of Entry
- Cross Connection & Backflow Prevention
- 2006 IEBC Case Studies
- 2006 IBC Educational & Institutional Occupancies
- 2006 I-Codes and Green Building

Failing to offer topics of interest to Permit Technicians does little for incentive to earn the Chapter Benefits for this training. If you have a concern regarding the ICC webinar offerings, please send your comments to the ICC Training Committee as soon as possible at:

marmstrong@iccsafe.org Michael Armstrong or
LRosenfeldt@iccsafe.org Lori Rosenfeldt

All MBPTA meetings are the LAST Tuesday of every other month at 9:30 a.m., unless notified otherwise.

~ MBPTA EDUCATION ~

How to Become a Certified Permit Technician

Books needed for the test

- 2006 IBC (chapters 1-3, 6, 12 and 34)
- 2006 International Zoning Code
- 2002 Legal Aspects
- Basic Code Enforcement 8th printing
- You Can Build It has been removed from the exam

Additional Study Material
ICC Study CD

Exam Details and Fees

- \$180.00 computerized
- 60 multiple-choice questions—
- Open Book—2hour limit
- General Administration 39%
- Legal Aspects 22%
- Plans and Documents 25%
- Zoning and Site Development 14%

MBPTA November Meeting *City of Andover*

Because this meeting was our annual meeting, there was no education offered. We did, however, elect our 2009 officers.

MBPTA February Meeting *City of Blaine*

Jeremiah Anderson, Housing/Code Enforcement Inspector for the City of Mounds View, will be speaking about moisture intrusion in single family homes.

Directions to Blaine City Hall

Our meeting will be upstairs on the second floor in the Cloverleaf Room. (Top of the stairs, make an immediate right).

Directions: Take Hwy 65 north to 109th Ave. Turn right (by Super Target). Go through two stoplights. The 2nd light is Radisson Rd. Take the first right onto Town Square Dr. We're right there.

From the North, Take 35 to 35W exit at Lexington. Take a right at the top of the ramp and go to 109th.Ave. Take a left on 109th and go about 2 miles. Town Square Dr is right before the

Tuesdays.....

2009 Meeting Dates & Locations:

February 24	Regular Meeting	City of Blaine
March 31	Regular Meeting	City of Shoreview
May 19	Regular Meeting	City of New Hope
July 28	Regular Meeting	City of New Brighton
September 29 or TBD	Annual Education Day	To Be Determined
November 24	ABM (No Education)	City of Andover



How To Become A Certified Permit Technician

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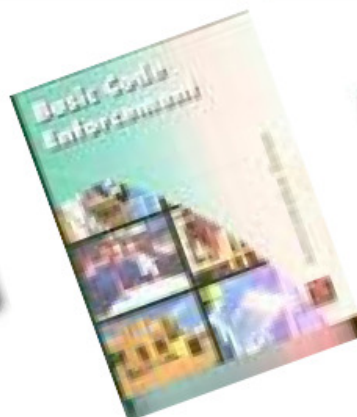
- 2006 IBC (chapters 1-3, 6, 12 and 34)
- 2006 IZC
- 2002 Legal Aspects of Code Administration
- Basic Code Enforcement 8th printing

Additional Study Material and info

- ICC Study CD
- ICC Permit Technician Study Companion
- Flashcards
- Permit Tech Study Companion
- Visit www.iccsafe.org/certification/professional for more test information or www.promissor.com for test site locations.

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Book Costs

2006 International Building Code (soft cover)

Price: \$100.00 (Member Price: \$75.00)

2006 International Zoning Code (soft cover)

Price: \$26.50 (Member Price: \$19.75)

Legal Aspects of Code Administration, 2002 Edition

Price: \$38.00 (Member Price: \$28.00)

Basic Code Enforcement Textbook

Price: \$38.00 (Member Price: \$28.00)

Other Helpful Study Guides

- ◆ Permit Technician Study Companion
Price: \$48.00 (Member Price: \$38.00)



- ◆ Legal Aspects of Code Administration Companion Guidebook
Price: \$20.00 (Member Price: \$15.00)

- ◆ On line Permit Technician Practice Exam
ICC Campus on line
<http://www.icccampus.org/>
Price: \$59.00 for 99 days use

- ◆ Check with your local Permit Technician Chapter for Permit Technician Certification Study Sessions.



www.icccampus.org



TEST QUESTIONS

1. An application for permit shall be considered abandoned _____ Days after filing, unless the application has been pursued in good faith or a permit has been issued.
 - a). 60
 - b). 90
 - c). 180
 - d.)365

2. Which of the following conditions is not specifically addressed in the *International Building Code* for the establishment of minimum standards to safeguard the public health, safety and welfare?
 - a). structural strength
 - b). light and ventilation
 - c). sanitation
 - d). accessibility

3. It shall be the duty of the _____ to notify the building official that work is ready for inspection.
 - a). owner
 - b). contractor
 - c). architect of record
 - d).holder of the building permit

4. Which of the following is not one of the listed occupancy groups in the IBC.
 - a). A-3
 - b). B-2
 - c).S-2
 - d).R-4

5. Which one of the following types of work is specifically allowed to be covered under an annual permit?
 - a). nonstructural alterations
 - b). alteration to an already approved mechanical installation
 - c). relocations of interior walls or partitions
 - d). expansion of automatic fire sprinkler sytems

ANSWERS

1. "C" (180 days) Ref. IBC 105.3.2
2. "D" (accessibility) Ref. IBC 101.3
3. "D" (holder of the building permit)Ref. IBC 109.5
4. "B" (B-2) Ref. IBC 302.1
5. "B" (alteration to an already approved mechanical installation)

DRAFT MINUTES - Tuesday, November 25, 2008 - Andover City Hall

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m. The following officers were present at this meeting: President Britt Pease, Vice-President Jeanne Witczek, Secretary I Barb Benesch, Secretary II Barb Williams, and Treasurer I Robin Roscoe. The following members and guests were present: Patty Boysen, Rhonda McDonald, Tammy Siemsen, Krista Buth, Patti Wasmund, Jennifer Harmer, Lisa Kelleher, Michele Engberg, Suzy Miller, May Vang, Roger Axel, Laurie Anderson, Kathy Pepin, Jan Rosemeyer, Katie Schlundt and Cecy Lukoskie.

Introductions took place.

There were no corrections to the minutes. Michelle Engberg made a motion, seconded by Patti Wasmund, to approve the minutes of September 30, 2008. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer I Robin Roscoe gave the Treasurer's Report for October and November, 2008 noting that there was a \$1,600 error made in our favor from a previously undisclosed deposit. There was a beginning balance of \$8,011.30. The expenditures totaled \$1,671.82 and deposits totaled \$505.82. The ending balance for November 25, 2008 was \$6,845.30. Jeanne Witczek made a motion, seconded by Cecy Lukoskie, to approve the treasurer's. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Education

October Seminar - There was discussion with regards to the attendance at the 2008 Annual Education Seminar held at the Mermaid Event Center in Mounds View on the 30th. While there were only 28 attendees, we did get our ICC materials for free and were able to pay for the room and lunch with the fees collected. President Britt Pease commended Roger Axel for the job well done in his presentation at this seminar, titled "2006 IRC: Performing Residential Plan Review".

Communications

Member Barb Williams mentioned that the members would be getting an invitation to the new online chat / discussion website.

State Advisory Board

Member Linda Singer did attend this month's board meeting but was not present at today's meeting. Britt Pease talked to her and she still wants to serve on this committee. Member Michelle Engberg discussed Ron Sonnek's upcoming vacancy and the dean's current vacancy.

10K Lakes

Member Steve Nelson was not present so there was no update available. Members Lisa Kelleher and Jennifer Harmer were asked to consider staying on this committee next year. It was agreed that having the minutes provided to us from the 10K Lakes meetings would be very helpful.

Bylaw Amendments

There was discussion regarding having a specific meeting to address the bylaws and mission statement changes since they amount of changes could become too in depth to deal with during our regular meetings. Member Michelle Engberg asked that the objective(s) changes be tabled for now. Member Cecy Lukoskie motioned to address bylaw purposes and objectives with member Laurie Anderson seconding the motion.

Bylaws

Bylaw Amendments - Changes to the bylaws were presented to the membership for approval. Three of the four the recommended changes were grammatical corrections. The remaining change was a clarification of an objective. Member Engberg expressed concern that a change was made to the objective without discussion among the membership. She was reminded that the bylaws were sent out to members for review and comment prior to presentation to the members for approval so comments can reviewed prior to making a recommendation to the executive board. The Board was asked if the changes to the bylaws could be approved except for the change to the objective because last year we voted on each change. Member Lukoskie said that this was not possible. Last year the changes were presented separately for vote, and this year the changes were submitted as one.

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November 25, 2008 Minutes (continued)

There was discussion regarding having a specific meeting to address the bylaws and mission statement changes since they amount of changes could become too in depth to deal with during our regular meetings. Member Engberg then made a recommendation to vote on the bylaws as submitted and add a review of the objectives to the agenda in 2009. Member Lukoskie made a motion, seconded by Member Anderson, to review Bylaw objectives for 2009 and to approve the 2009 Bylaws as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

General Business

Regions III Membership

Roger Axel brought up the importance of maintaining our dual memberships with both the ICC and Regions III. At a cost of \$5 per member, member Suzy Miller motioned to approve the dues with member Michelle Engberg seconding.

Budget

President Britt Pease went over the proposed 2009 Budget line by line, explaining the various items in detail. The MBPTA pins, for example, were \$2.00 each and they were very nice to have at ICC's Annual Business Meeting but we may have to either resort back to the original design or a new one without the 10-year logo. Britt wanted to explain that since the budget is an estimate based on prior budgets, it is still a difficult prediction process. One area Roger thought we could save money on was cutting out the newsletter mailings that Secretary Barb Benesch currently sends to approximately 40 people. He thought maybe a 'reminder' the size of a postcard would work to inform the recipients that the newsletter is available online and direct them to the website. This would not only save money but a lot of valuable time on Barb's part. The postcard could also inform them of upcoming educational offerings. Patti Wasmund volunteered to track these expenses with a spreadsheet. Member Barb Williams made a motion, seconded by Kathy Pepin, to approve the budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Officer Elections

After tallying the member's votes, the following officers were elected:

President – Britt Pease (2nd year)
Vice President – Barb Williams (1st year)
Secretary I – Barb Benesch (6th year)
Secretary II – May Vang (1st year)
Treasurer I – Patti Wasmund (1st year)
Treasurer II – Vacant

Meetings

The MBPTA meeting dates and cities were briefly reviewed. The schedule for 2009 is as follows: February 24, 2009 – Blaine; March 31, 2009 – Shoreview; May 19, 2009 – New Hope; July 28, 2009 – New Brighton; September 29, 2009 – Golden Valley; October 29, 2009 – Annual Education Meeting (TBD); and November 24, 2009 – Annual Business Meeting – Andover

Committees

After the first of the year, we will review all who have signed up and any changes that will be made to the individual committees.

Award Presentation

Awards were presented to 2008's departing officers Jeanne Witczek (Vice President) and Robin Roscoe (Treasurer I).

Open Floor

Members Michelle Engberg and Roger Axel complimented the current board members. Also, it was passed along that Patty Bond from ICC wished to compliment the MBPTA for their work on the 2008 ICC Annual Conference, Business Meeting and Final Action Hearings held in Minneapolis this past fall.

Charitable donations (Toys-for-Tots, food shelf) were briefly reviewed. The possibility of forming a specific committee in 2009 for charity ideas, organizing volunteer efforts, etc. will be discussed at our next meeting.

Adjournment

Robin Roscoe made a motion, seconded by Kathy Pepin, to adjourn the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

ICC News -

Permit Techs Go to Minneapolis.....

The Code Council's Ad Hoc Permit Technician Committee hosted a well-visited booth at the Code Council's Expo in Minneapolis during the Annual Conference. The booth was provided by the Code Council to help the committee raise awareness of their profession.

Sponsored by the Code Council permit technician chapters, each was represented at the booth through various flyers and complimentary items that were distributed to the attendees. Two cash prize drawings were awarded to Pete Wilt, President of the Southern New Mexico Building Officials Association from the City of Clovis and William Dumbaugh, Past President of the Building Officials Association of Florida from Broward County. The money for the drawings was provided by the Colorado Association of Permit Technicians.

The "got Permit Techs?" slogan was borrowed with permission from the Washington State Association of Permit Technicians who will be using this theme during their 2008 Fall Conference.

Other chapters represented at the booth included the Kansas City Metro Association of Permit Technicians, Minnesota Building Permit Technicians Association (MBPTA), New Jersey Association of Technical Assistants, North Central Texas Permit Technicians Chapter (NCTPTC), Oregon Permit Technicians Association (OPTA) and the permit technician committee of Central Ohio Code Officials Association.

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Permit Techs during the 2008 International Code Council Annual Conference, Business Meeting and Final Action Hearings.



Permit techs take a moment to pose in the booth during the Code Council Expo. Seated is Samantha Morrow, NCTPTC Past President. In the second row, from left, are: Judy Pozarich, WASPT President; Laurie Anderson, MBPTA member; Bonnie Lanz, OPTA 1st Past President OPTA; Barb Benesch, MBPTA Secretary; Nettie Wagner, WSAPT 1st Vice President; and Julius Warren, ABO from the City of Garland, TX. In the third row, from left, are: Mike Gaiter, BO from the City of Garland, TX; Pete Wilt, Southern New Mexico Building Officials Association President; Britt Pease MBPTA President; and Cliff Bormann, NCTPTC President.