

ELECTRICAL BOARD MINUTES
December 19, 2012

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Pete Trudeau at 5:16 PM in the Executive Conference Room of City Hall Plaza.

PRESENT: Pete Trudeau, Mike Slowiak, Gary Parks, John Wendt, Bob Trussoni and Alderman Russell Stauber

ABSENT: Mike O'Reilly

ALSO PRESENT: Pat Kilty, Electrical Inspector

EB12-09 Motion by Parks, second by Slowiak to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2012 meeting.
All 'Ayes' Motion Carried.

Citizens Comments – None

EB12-10 Motion by Wendt, second by Parks to accept the Journeyman License for Joshua Shulfer and Zane Miller.

All 'Ayes' Motion Carried.

EB12-11 Motion by Stauber, second by Trudeau to accept the Master License for Michael Reynolds, John Meinholz, Terry Borchardt, Steve Bigelow, Todd Volling, Anthony Decker and Steve Van Deraa.

All 'Ayes' Motion Carried.

EB12-12 Motion by Parks, second by Wendt to accept the Contractor License for Michael Reynolds Electrical, Fulton Technologies Inc., Seliger Electric In., Elite Electrical Co. LLC, Stray Voltage LLC, Bauer Electric, Enterprise Electrical Inc.

All 'Ayes' Motion Carried.

Bob Trussoni gave the Electrical Board a current number of 119 registered people for the upcoming CEMA seminar. That current number is well short of what was projected by the Electrical Inspector for the caliber of speaker being brought in. It was discussed that no matter what our end number ended up being that we should accommodate as much of what Mike Holt had requested and required to make his visit to Marshfield a good one. One area that was discussed by the Electrical Inspector was utilizing the Marshfield Public Library to rent some extra screens to suffice one of Mike Holt's requests. Once a final number was tallied after the deadline of December 28, 2012 it was discussed that we would decide if multiple screens was necessary or not.

The Electrical Inspector explained to the Board that the Municipal Code requires electrical permits when doing low voltage wiring. He then explained the process of when, where and why a low voltage permit is required. Current practice in the City of Marshfield for low voltage wiring is to have the installer of any low voltage wiring in a new or remodeled area use the fee schedule based on electrical value of job including equipment. He explained that after researching other municipalities that many of them have a low voltage electrical application form with a separate fee structure. Some discussion among board members was why does low voltage work have to include the price of the equipment? The question mainly stemmed around the fact that inspections are not necessary to look at equipment but rather the wiring method and installation method used to get from point A to point B. The Electrical Inspector will create a low voltage permit application with the information discussed to help alleviate some of the confusion on when a permit is needed. This rough draft of this new application will be reviewed at the next meeting.

As of April 1, 2013, the City of Marshfield will no longer be able to require Municipal Electrical Licenses. The Electrical Inspector explained to the Board that the Municipal Code would need to be revised in order to align with these changes. The three primary sections involved are: 17-38, 17-39, 17-40; with some modifications needed in 17-03 & 17-36. These sections would need to be deleted in order to comply with the new license requirements mandated by the State.

Motion by Trudeau, second by Wendt to adjourn at 6:04 PM.

All 'Ayes' Motion Carried

Pat Kilty, Secretary
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