

MINUTES OF 4/15/16 WC COUNCIL MEETING

Chris Rabideau called the meeting to order at 9:00. Upon motion by Rosa Bava, seconded by Jayson Chizick, the minutes of the 2/5/16 WC Council meeting were adopted unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dennis Flynn was not present but his submitted report showing a balance of \$87,443.41 was adopted unanimously (Chizick motion, Bava second).

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mark Long reported that there has been much discussion about EBM, with many competing viewpoints. He intends to adopt guidelines by year end. Jayson Chizick asked about which contractor was in the lead. Mark said neither—he hopes to adopt best features of competing candidates.

CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S REPORT

Lisa Klaeren reported that she recommended against filling Dave Kurtz's position. On docket reassignments, where the current magistrate previously facilitated a case, the parties must consent on the record or in writing that they waive any objection to that magistrate hearing the case.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

John Combs described the effect of SB 493 signed in December, amending the Act to include a new Sec 120 re: franchisor employees. The upshot is that, in most cases, injured employees can only collect WC from the local franchisor, and not the franchisee.

2016 SUMMER MEETING

Ella Parker advised that Steve Bohringer is the invited guest speaker to address the interface between PIP and WC. Mike Reinholm is to provide the law update. The meeting is at Boyne Mountain June 16-17.

HALL OF FAME

Nominees were to be finalized by 3/7/16. Subsequent to the council meeting on 2/5/16, Jayson Chizick moved to amend the HOF criteria to require nominees to be 65 or older, and retired or semi-retired. By electronic vote, the motion was defeated 7-5. The HOF committee nominated Terry Groesser and Daryle Salisbury. By a 7-0 electronic vote, with 4 abstentions, the nominees were approved and will be inducted at the Summer Meeting.

PAST PRESIDENTS GOLF OUTING

The outing is set for May 13 at Brookshire Golf Club in Williamston, MI. Notices were sent to past presidents and current council members. Due to a prior commitment, Tim Esper has recruited past president, Bill Housefield, to coordinate events at the club on the day of the event.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted.

SBM LEADERSHIP FORUM

Danielle Brown suggested we should send representatives to the SBM Leadership Forum at Mackinaw Island June 10-11. On 4/22/16, Chris Rabideau recommended that we approve funds for Ella Parker and Andrea Hamm to attend at an estimated cost of \$750 each. Jason Chizick so moved, John Combs seconded. By electronic vote, the motion passed 10-0, by my tally. Neither Ella Parker nor Andrea Hamm participated in the vote.

Submitted 5/9/16

Tim Esper, Council Secretary