

MINUTES
General Membership Meeting
B. P. O. E Lodge #8, 2824 Klondike Lane, 40218
January 10, 2022

Call to Order:

President - Steve Willinghurst (7:00 PM)

Invocation:

Mark Yates

General Business:

- Approval of the minutes from the December 10, 2021 General Membership Meeting as posted on the ECHL website or Facebook page. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes.

Correspondence / Announcements:

- The Board of Directors requested code and/or safety program suggestions from the membership.
- A Contractor's Class will be presented on February 12, 2022 at the B.P.O.E. "Elks" Lodge. More information for this class was available at the meeting and is on the website.
- Arnold Hornback has been appointed to the Housing, Building and Construction Advisory Committee.
- The ECHL Nominating Committee has put forth this slate of candidates for the February election of officers:

President	Steve Willinghurst (Louisville JATC)
1st V Pres	David True (NECA/Henderson Services)
2nd V Pres	Bruce Stansbury (Stansbury Electric Co)
Secretary	Marilyn Boudreaux (LG&E)
Treasurer	Alan Akin (Treasurer)
Contractor	Woolsey "Kit" Caye (Caye Elect. Co)
Contractor	Kurt R. Wagner (Amteck)
Elect. Insp	Arnold Hornback (Louis Metro)
Elect. Insp	Norb Thorpe (Louis Metro)
Distributor	Tony Pitelko (Richards Electric)
Manufacturer	Dennis Steier (Manufacturing Rep / Consultant)
Manufacturer	Jerry Curry (Ford / Retired)
LG&E Utility	Henry Ford & Jamie Archer (LG&E)
Appointed	Josh Quinn (Representing NECA)

President Willinghurst asked if there were any nominations for officers from the General Membership and there were none. A second request for floor nominations will be presented before the February election of officers.

Electrical Code Program

- Shawn Corrigan (Corrigan Electric; Board of Directors - Independent Electrical Contractors; Member of the Home Builders Association of Kentucky) updated the membership on the situation with the 2020 National Electrical Code and the Home Builders Association of Kentucky (HBAK). The HBAK has suggested exemptions from the 2020 NEC that include both AFCI circuits in the kitchen, garage and laundry areas and AFCI / GRCI exemptions for sump pumps, garage doors, HVAC units, clothes dryers, stove/ranges (essentially removing the 250 volt receptacle requirement) and emergency disconnects for one & two family dwelling units. The HBAK wants these exemptions in

place before they will endorse the 2020 NEC to expedite the adoption of the 2020 NEC to the Kentucky Housing, Building & Construction Department.

- This issue was discussed at great length with the membership. The membership was, and is, in agreement that the NEC is a minimum requirement needed to protect life and property of all consumers and home owners. The liability of the electrical contractors was discussed, as well as any insurance agency that could point at negligence on the part of the contractor if the NEC was not adhered to as written in total. The state and local electrical code authorities could also be subjected to lawsuits or testifying in court because of any exemptions that are requested.
- A motion was made, seconded and passed that the ECHL is opposed to any modifications of the 2020 NEC.

The December Wire Code questions and answers were answered by Dennis Steier. The January 2022, Wire Code questions were table until next month.

The winner of the 50/50 drawing (\$47.00) was Jim Crask.

Attendance: 52 Members and Guests

Respectfully Submitted: David True