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President Bob Rutan opened the meeting at 6:11pm with the flag salute and a moment of silence for those who died 13 years ago in the World Trade Center towers and our men and women overseas. President Rutan then started off the business meeting by asking Treasurer Don Storms to give a report. Don stated that there was a strong balance in the account. The president then asked for the Secretary's report. Secretary Greg Chontow stated that the minutes from the previous meeting were posted on the Skylands website. He asked for any errors or corrections. As there were none, he asked for a motion to accept the minutes as posted, which was made and seconded. It was then mentioned that the credits awarded as continuing education for attendance at the meetings has now been resumed by the Board of Electrical Contractors. President Rutan then asked Roy Konwiser to give his report as nominating Committee Chairperson. Roy read off the names recommended by the committee as follows: President, Bob Rutan. Vice President, Bob Moentenich. Treasurer, Don Storms. Secretary, Greg Chontow. Board members: James Alsop, Frank Baguiao, Stan Fagerty, Chris Frankowski, Roy Konwiser, David Menendez, William O'Connor, Chris Walthour, and Tom La Monaco. He then asked for any nominations from the floor. As there were none, the nominations were closed. Bob then mentioned that the Eastern Section meeting will be held in Annapolis Maryland in October and is open to all to attend. Greg Chontow then mentioned that the generator interlocks made by Interlockkit now have a number of listed products and are legal to be installed in New Jersey. Be aware that not all of their products are listed and only listed products may be used. Bob asked for any questions from the floor. A question arose about exposed romex in a basement and whether it was required to be covered by sheetrock, as an inspector had failed him for not encasing the cable in sheetrock. The general consensus of the group was that as long as it was not subjected to physical damage, there was no requirement to be enclosed behind the wall. President Rutan then introduced our speaker for the evening, Jeff Sargent of NFPA. Jeff's presentation for the evening was on the installation requirements for electrically driven fire pumps. Jeff stated that there are significant differences between any other piece of electrical equipment and a fire pump. From the connection ahead of the main OCPD, a feeder that has a two hour fire resistive rating, and no protection for overcurrent. He explained how the

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code is organized. Chapters one through four are for wiring methods and materials. Chapters five through eight are for special occupancies and equipment and can modify the previous chapters. Being that fire pumps reside in Article 695, they can modify requirements laid out in chapters one through four. Article 695 first appeared in the 1996 NEC. Prior to that, the code referred to NFPA 20. Whereas NFPA 20 is a performance code, the NEC is an installation code, therefore, there is a need for both code sections. Jeff also mentioned that there is no blanket statement that all equipment referred to within the code must be listed. However, fire pumps are required to be listed for the purpose. Jeff gave a very detailed presentation, and everyone appreciated his knowledge on the subject. With the conclusion of the presentation, the President concluded the meeting with 48 members present.

Respectfully Submitted

Greg Chontow