



# *Greater Houston Fire Marshal's Council*

Minutes of the Greater Houston Area Fire Marshal's Council quarterly meeting for August 13, 2013 at Doneraki's Restaurant (Gulf Gate Mall)

Meeting called to order at 11:47 by Secretary Frank Bengochea with 12 members present

## **Officers Report:**

Secretary - Secretary Frank Bengochea gave a report for Director David Brannon on the upcoming 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual GHAFMC Training Conference (November 2013) and an "Evidence collection and Fire Fatality Investigation" class (January 2014) and that members can check the association website for further details.

Treasurers Report – Secretary Frank Bengochea provided a written report for Treasurer Rusty Kattner on the association finances. Balance as of 7/31/2013 is 13,806.66.

Training Director Roland Garcia – Provided a written report on the following:

- Pearland has adopted the 2012 IFC and LSC, the ordinance is on the website. [cityofpearland.com](http://cityofpearland.com)
- Roland will be doing a class on residential fire sprinklers at the state Fire Marshal's Conference, the class will cover the following;
  1. A brief overview of NFPA13D, Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems in One and Two-Family Dwellings and Manufactured Homes
  2. Current Texas legislation prohibiting cities from enacting fire sprinkler mandates in One and Two Family Dwellings
  3. Conflicting views of residential fire sprinklers between fire service professionals and home builders

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

## **Good of the order:**

Director Dennis Harris provided information about a recent fire at a Gringo's Restaurant and how the Gringo's affiliated restaurants have changed their kitchen practice to prevent future fires.

Motion to adjourn by Robert Brown Second by Debbie Taylor, Motion Passed Meeting adjourned at 12:10