



# *Greater Houston Fire Marshal's Council*

Minutes of the Greater Houston Area Fire Marshal's Council quarterly meeting for June 11, 2013 at Doneraki's Restaurant (Gulf Gate Mall)

Meeting called to order at 11:42 by Director David Brannon with 13 members present

## **Officers Report:**

Secretary - Secretary Frank Bengochea gave a report on the Association website. The website has received over 5,000 visitors since February. Meeting minutes can be access from the website.

Treasurers Report – Treasurer Rusty Kattner gave a report on the association finances. Balance as of 5/31/2013 is 12,499.52

Training Director Roland Garcia – Discussed the upcoming Surviving a Daubert Challenge class (July 9<sup>th</sup>) and GHAFMC Training conference in November. Reminded everyone to check the website (ghfmc.com) for details. Harris County FMO has a free fire alarm class August 7<sup>th</sup>, get with Jerry Ickes for details

## Director David Brannon

- Advised that several sporting goods stores in the City of Pasadena were selling a product called “Tannerite Exploding Targets”. Fire inspectors identified 2 locations within city of Pasadena that were selling this product. The City of Pasadena has a specific ordinance that covers the sale binary explosives and the products were taken off the shelves. Agencies are encouraged to check their local stores for this product and verify if your local rules allow the selling of this product.
- Requested that if anyone had any interesting projects being built in their area to let him know so the association can schedule a tour.
- Discussed Information received from Burt Heddles with the La Porte Fire Marshal's Office, In reference to Jason Briggs doing unlicensed fire extinguisher work. Deputy Fire Marshal Heddles asked if you come across any of the tags to contact the La Porte Fire Marshal's Office.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

## **Good of the order:**

J.O. Villarreal with Fort Bend County FMO discussed the Upcoming Texas Association of First Responders BBQ Cook-off June 29, 2013 benefitting West FD and Houston Fire Department personnel who were recently injured. Contact J.O. Villarreal for further details.

Motion to adjourn by Joe Barrington Second by Debbie Taylor, Motion Passed Meeting adjourned at 12:18