



# Wisconsin Building Movers Association

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Minutes for April 15, 2023 Meeting

Location: Peterson Movers LLC, 9820 52nd St. S, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

The meeting was called to order by President Mel Virrueta at 1:30 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

Present: Mel Virrueta, Bob Childs, Ken Shanahan, Russ Childs, Galey Childs, Mike Peterson, Cairie Virrueta, Randy Bain, Dick Charbarneau, Steve Arnevik, Tammy DeVooght (arrived later).

## MINUTES

Cairie Virrueta handed out minutes from the last meeting, October 22, 2022. *Motion by Russ Childs to approve, second by Ken Shanahan. Voice vote, all approved, motion carried.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT

*Motion by Russ Childs to approve, second by Ken Shanahan. Voice vote, all approved, motion carried.*

## OLD BUSINESS

### MOVING PROTOCOLS/STANDARDS

#### VEHICLE & LOAD LIGHTS FOR MOVES:

- Truck: keep current standards
- Red tail lights on rear
- No brake lights if move goes less than 20 miles per hour
- Two flags at tail-end, flag in middle; under 100 feet only flags at end
- Two white spotlights on tow truck
- Illuminate front corners of load
- Rear escort illuminate back of load
- Rotating amber/flasher lights on all four outside corners/extremities

#### SIGNS:

- Keep current standards of MV2605 for signs (#17) and flagging (#16)

#### TIE DOWN OF LOAD:

- "Fastening down of load will be at discretion of the moving professional to accommodate variations in structures/loads" OR
- Structure is fastened by a chain with a device to secure chain to the building/joist
  - Fasten points within first 2 feet, then within every 10 feet thereafter

- Could be a combination of chains and lag bolts, steel straps, and clamps.
- ? Would a diagram be beneficial?

## OTHER BUSINESS

Tammy DeVooght of the IASM said attendance at the convention was low. They are providing training based on procedural guidelines. It is a full day training with a test at the end. The IASM then provides a certification. The 2024 convention will be in Calgary, Canada.

They are currently pursuing a study proving the benefits of moving structures, the cost of putting them into a landfill and the environmental costs. The governor will be issuing a Proclamation for a Wisconsin Building Movers Day. In the state budget will be funds for a lakeshore erosion control program. Movers can provide information to homeowners on how to access the funds.

Mike Peterson said the DOT no longer has bidding contracts that allow for the moving of buildings due to the timing of the projects. He wondered why this has changed. (Note: Tammy DeVooght contacted DOT on this and a future meeting with movers and the DOT will take place soon.)

Mel Virrueta said all the houses in Mount Pleasant were put into a landfill and none were moved as the project timing and road construction prohibited being able to save any of them. A lot of good buildings were lost.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

*The current Vice President moves to the President spot. Ken Shanahan will be President, 2023-2025.*

*Motion by Russ Childs to elect Mike Peterson Vice President; second by Mel Virrueta. Voice vote, all approved, motion carried. (Term 2023-2025)*

*Motion by Mel Virrueta to elect Russ Childs Director at Large; second by Mike Peterson. Voice vote, all approved, motion carried. (Term 2023-2023)*

## NEXT MEETING

The Fall meeting will be at Smileys in Plover. Mike Peterson will check on available dates.

## ADJOURN

*Motion by Ken Shanahan and second by Randy Bain to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.*