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President Bob Rutan opened the meeting at 6:10pm with the flag salute and a moment of silence for our men and women over seas. Secretary Greg Chontow, in the absence of the treasurer, reported on the account balance in the bank. A motion was made and carried to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Greg then mentioned that the minutes of the May meeting were posted on the Skyland website and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion was made and seconded. Bob then brought everyone up to date on the request to the New Jersey Chapter to allow us to change from a Division to Chapter Status. There were some concerns at the New Jersey Chapter meeting to allow it at this time as the board is only an acting board and they felt that they did not have the authority, and additionally needed to become a bit more stable before we moved on this. We will bring this up again to them early next year. The President then nominated Roy Kronwiser to head up the Nominating Committee for the upcoming elections that will take place in November. Anyone interested in a position on the Board should contact Roy at rkonwiser@gmail.com. Vice President Bob Moentenich brought up some new 2011 codes for fire alarms. 760.41 gives the requirement of the alarm circuit which corresponds to codes previously found only in NFPA 72 such as labeling the overcurrent RED, identification of circuit location on the FACP, and locked on the on position. In 702.12(F) ex 2, new guidance was addressed for emergency lighting on the exterior of the building in. It states "*Remote heads providing lighting for the exterior of an exit door shall be permitted to be supplied by the unit equipment serving the area immediately inside the exit door.*" Secretary Chontow then announced that Suzanne Borek-Childers of DCA's Code Assistance Unit was let go as of Wednesday. With a brief overview of the circumstances, he said that an email with contact information would go out to the membership for anyone who wanted to write to those in charge at DCA. The 2012 I-Codes would be coming up to a comment period in the near future for New Jersey's adoption. Anyone who would like to have any input into the requirements of the code, such as the requirements for CSST bonding, would need to take advantage of the comment period. Greg then went on to describe the difference between a storable pool and a permanent pool based on the definitions in the NEC. The motor shall be listed for the specific use and can not be modified unless allowed by the manufacture. PermaCast has a listed and approved

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water bond. They just started advertising 3 new devices for water bond that are not listed nor meet the 9 square inch requirement. The DCA had sent out a letter to all municipalities reminding them that local ordinances shall not supersede the requirements in the UCC. Some municipalities are requiring hard wired smoke detectors for CCO inspections when the UCC only calls for battery operated smokes. With that, President Rutan introduced the guest speaker, Gil Moniz, from NEMA. Gil explained the code making process, from the present code through public proposals, public comments to voting at the annual meeting. He showed how to fill out the ROC form in detail. Secretary Chontow mentioned that the form was accessible on the Skyland website. Gil emphasized that the section on substantiation was very important and if you can supply data to back it up, the better chance you have of getting it through. He then shared some examples of proposals that are now in the comment period, such as the requirement for a door with listed panic hardware for panelboards of 800 amps or more, which was reduced from 1200 amps. Conductors for DC circuits shall be identified positive and negative. A GFCI shall be installed for laundry areas. He noted that there is no definition for laundry area and this would be an opportunity to submit a comment. A proposal to add kitchens and laundry areas to the requirement for AFCIs was presented also. There were many other examples that were brought up to demonstrate the code making process. Gil ended his presentation with a round of applause.

With that President Bob Rutan closed the meeting with 37 in attendance.

Respectfully Submitted
Greg Chontow