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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 overseas. President Rutan then asked for a treasurer's report. Treasurer Don Storms reported a balance slightly above \$4000 for the month. A motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report. The President then continued the meeting by asking for an approval of the minutes which was posted on our website. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as published. Bob Rutan continued with a reminder of the Eastern Section meeting to be held in Niagara Falls New York the end of September. He also reminded all of the upcoming continuing education class to be held on 10 October on Emergency, Legally Required and Optional Standby Systems including calculations. The 2014 Changes to the 2014 Code" books have arrived and have them for \$65 each or 2 or more for \$60. Frank Baguiao mentioned that he was collecting names of anyone interested in taking the Train the Trainer course offered by DCA. He passed around a signup sheet for those interested. President Rutan then brought up a discrepancy between Code Assistance and a number of local inspectors. DCA states that the installation of a generator does not trigger the requirement for grounding, i.e. two ground rods etc. Secretary Greg Chontow clarified that the comment from DCA was a whole house generator and their contention was that the scope of work was a generator (not service). He then proceeded to state the opposing argument that the scope of work was a generator and a service rated transfer switch. This installation was a new building element as defined in the rehab code, and under N.J.A.C. 5:23 6.8(d)(3), Materials and Methods, NEC Article 250 is not exempted. There was a heated discussion about the States lack of foresight and agreed that the relocation of the main, and the required separation of the grounds and neutrals in the existing panel requires a grounding system compliant to the present code. President Rutan then asked if there were any questions or concerns from the membership. A question was brought up about the requirements for CSST bonding, specifically the location of the grounding electrode conductor to the gas pipe. Greg Chontow stated that there is nothing in the International Mechanical Code or International Residential Code as to a specific distance from the meter, however the commentary shows a connection right at the load side of the meter on the exterior of the building, therefore it is safe to say that the connection

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should be as close to the meter as practical. Another member brought up the question as to whether it was acceptable to issue an approval sticker and request changes. There was some discussion about that and a number of inspectors agreed that that is not uncommon although not officially acceptable. As all questions were asked, and answered, President Rutan introduced Ken Rusnack, Field Specialist from UL. Ken Proceeded to explain the items to look for when inspecting a sign. The first and foremost is whether the sign has a listing. He explained some of the ways to identify a counterfeit label. Additionally it should have a label identifying the electrical ratings. Another thing to look for is whether it is suitable for the environment it is installed in. Ken concluded his presentation with a round of applause.

With that, President Rutan closed the meeting with 39 in attendance.

Respectfully Submitted

Greg Chontow