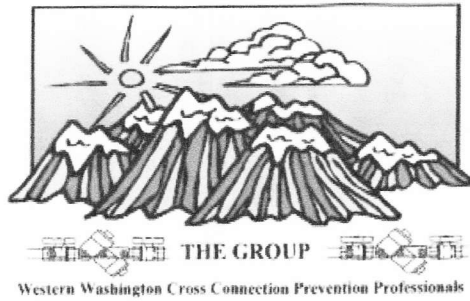




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Our April 2016 meeting was hosted by Debbie Crooks at the City of Kent in the Centennial Building, thank you Debbie! Chair Chris Sutton called the meeting to order at 10:10 am. Introductions were made those in attendance were Scott Barr and Tyler Christian from the City of Monroe, Erik Pedersen, Evan Swanson and Debbie Crooks from the City of Kent, Mick Holte City of Renton, Tim Cantwell Woodinville Water District, Carla Snyder Coal Creek Utility District, and The Treasurer Dennis McLaughlin reporting in by phone.

Our treasurer reported we have \$21,805.00 in the bank, and \$1,326.00 has been paid out to the La Quinta Inn for the 2016 BAT Forum held last month. Dennis also reported he will be putting up the down payment this May for the October Seminar for the La Quinta venue. Also the Groups web site is up and running but not yet up to date. Dennis plans to get some training for the site.

We had some Discussion about the States new reporting and investigation process to validate reports of testers who are accused of not performing the work they are hired to do, sometimes there is concern whether it is because maybe a client is having a bad day or the relationship between the CCS and the BAT is not the best.

BAT's performing repairs inside or outside of building, the 9th edition manual has a chart showing who can do what and where but it is not clear, even getting different answers from the Plumbing code, Fire code and L&I, it's pretty vague. Bringing the code enforcers together will be a really good session topic for the October seminar in 2016. Fire systems are the greyest area, we really need the State to spell out who can do what and where, what type of certification and license is required.

We talked about forming a committee, to create guidance with the code enforcers to clear up the grey areas of the work BATS and Plumbers can perform.

A motion made by Tim Cantwell, to create a clarification committee to clear up licensing requirements. Mick Holte Seconded the motion and all voted in favor. The motion passed, Tim will be the committee chair, Tyler Christian, Chris Sutton, Mick Holte and Dale Baxmann will be committee members, the committee will be able to communicate by phone and email so look for a committee report in July.

Next month's Group meetings topic is Site Survey & Real Life Incidents on Wednesday 10:00am May 18th 2016 at West Sound Utility District located at 2924 SE Lund Ave, Port Orchard 98366 Karen Vargo will be our most gracious host. The meeting then adjourned at 11:53am.

Thanks everyone and now get out there and enjoy this awesome weather! Carla Snyder/Group Secretary