

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Arizona Department of Transportation
1130 North 22nd Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85009

Chapter President: Ron Jones

Staff Liaison: Jennifer Hedge

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President, Ron Jones, called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.
Anti-Trust Compliance Statement read by Ron Jones to all attendees.

The sign-in roster was completed by 25 attendees.

Minutes from the March 20, 2018 chapter meeting were approved unanimously by vote of the members.

Treasurer Report

Tim Passaglia presented the treasurers report and provided a summary of balance and expenses that occurred since the last period the report was presented.

Board of Directors Meeting Report – Ron Jones

- The chapter will update its Articles of Incorporation to reflect the newly elected President-Elect, Jesus Nunez, as the registered agent.
- The chapter will sponsor the Twisted Bowling Tournament, to be held at the ATSSA Midyear meeting for \$100. All proceeds from the event will go to The Foundation.

Guest Speaker

Juan Arvizu, Sr. of Pavement Marking Inc., spoke about the purpose of ATSSA and his current role as Chairman of the Board. Some of the important points made by Mr. Arvizu include:

- The importance of roadway safety and how it should be a priority within both state and local government agencies.
- The need to reinvest in the Highway Trust Fund as its present state has no funds. Mr. Arvizu reminded members that ATSSA is in essence their company's lobbyist working to secure funding for roadway safety programs.
- The importance of personal involvement in both local and national chapter activities.
- A discussion ensued regarding the future of autonomous vehicles and especially as it relates to work zone issues. Autonomous vehicles will impact everyone's future within the roadway safety industry.
- Mr. Arvizu ended with his desire to see younger members get involved because they will be the face of the association in the near future.

ATSSA National Update – Jennifer Hedge

- ATSSA has over 1,400 members companies and branches across the US and has 26 chapters. Utah and Oklahoma chapters are currently in development.
- Connect with ATSSA's social media (Twitter, Facebook, Linked In and YouTube) to raise your internet search standings within the industry.
- The 2018 Legislative Briefing & Fly-In has 90 attendees and conducted 125 Congressional visits. Dates for next year's Fly-In will be May 1-2, 2019 in Washington, DC.
- Registration is open for ATSSA Midyear meeting in Williamsburg, VA, August 22-24.
- ATSSA will hold a "Signals Open Forum" during its Midyear Meeting. The forum will be the first discussion open to all ATSSA members that will address the association's potential involvement with manufacturers and installers of traffic signal devices.
- A Twisted Bowling Tournament will be held on August 23 from 7-10 pm in conjunction with the Midyear Meeting. Chapters may sponsor the event. All proceeds will go to The Foundation.
- The Foundation needs your help to identify children to attend Experience Camps – scholarships are provided to cover 100% of the travel expenses for children who have lost a parent, sibling, or caregiver to a roadway work zone accident. Deadline is July 1.
- Next ATSSA Leadership Program is in 2019, April 28-30, in Arlington, VA.
- ATSSA's 2019 Annual Convention & Traffic Expo is February 8-12 in Tampa, Florida.

ATSSA 2018 Fly-In – Billy Montgomery

As the chapter's scholarship recipient to attend the Fly-In, Billy Montgomery discussed his experience in Washington, DC in meeting with local and national representatives. Mr. Montgomery found that our officials seems genuinely interested in roadway safety issues and also very knowledgeable of the subject matter. He thanked the chapter for sponsoring his attendance.

Committee Meeting Reports

- a) ATSSA Training – Bob Wade
 - Bob Wade provided information on Mash update on 6/26/2018. Upcoming trainings for TCT and TCS will be in Phoenix during the months of July, August and September. Flagger Instructor Training will also be held in August.
- b) Traffic Control Product Evaluation Committee – Juan Arvizu
 - Four new products have all been approved.
- c) Technical Issues Meeting – Greg Van Dine
 - 704 THRMO has been approved and adopted.
 - IA-5 has been reinstated allowing the use of Clearview font
 - ADOT will stay with standard Highway font
 - IA-21 Approval for Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons (RRFB)
 - ADOT has applied and received approval on behalf of all the cities in AZ

- d) Arizona DOT Standards Committee – William Faber
 - There is a change to size of signs (12 sq ft to 6 ft)
 - Traffic & Safety Subcommittee to review all changes in specs to barrier other than concrete barrier

- e) Arizona DOT Pavement Marking Update – Bashir Hassan

Mr. Hassan discussed ADOT reflectivity standards as it relates to pavement markings. He indicated that they are seeing some level of conformity but there is still a long way to go. There will be changes made to the current 708 specification for permanent pavement markings. Members will be asked to provide feedback on the proposal and the Chapter will form a task force to provide industry comment. An ensuing discussion questioned the standards that are being applied to such conformity.

Old Business

- a) Town of Queen Creek Traffic Plans – Jesus Nunez

There is no real update on this issue; however, Queen Creek has backed away from the original thought of requiring a P.E. Jesus will meet with them and suggest they consider adopting an existing city/county traffic control manual (such as Mesa or Phoenix).

New Business

- a) 2018 Board and Officer Election Results – Nominating Chair, Tim Gibson
 - New Board members and officers were announced as follows: Jesus Nunez, President-Elect; Carlos De La Vara, Director (1-year term), John Ledbetter, Jr, Director (2-year term), Billy Montgomery, Director (2-year term) and Jay Thorpe was appointed Secretary.
 - The Board voted to amend the chapter Bylaws by adding the following language to Article IX. Elections. Section 2. Nominations. “The Nominating Committee shall strive to include a member from each ATSSA recognized division and will submit nominees for the number of seats available.”

- b) ATSSA National Guardrail Committee – Pete Granillo
 - Mr. Granillo reminded members that the ATSSA National Guardrail Committee has produced a booklet from a new study “Safety Benefits of Median Barrier and Roadside Guardrail” which shows that improving median or roadside barrier design is one of the most effective countermeasures available to reduce roadway departure fatal crashes. It’s free via digital download on the ATSSA website to anyone, including the public.

Vendor Spotlight

Members had the opportunity to introduce themselves to the group during the Vendor Spotlight.

Next Chapter meeting is September 18, 2018 at the Maricopa County DOT.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 pm.

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