



MANITOBA COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

1:00 pm (CST)

Viscount Gort Hotel

Winnipeg, Manitoba

Members:

Glen Scrivener, C&T Rentals (Chair)

Dave Neufeld, MaxQuip

Brent Cohoe, Federated Co-op Ltd.

Ken Fotty, Superior Propane

Tom Cheret

Neil Atkins, Stittco Energy

Adrien Caillier, ARK New-Tech

Ken Mathews, Diversco

Rheal Gousseau, Dependable Propane

Blair Overby, Federated Co-op Ltd.

Canadian Propane Association:

Darren Cunningham, Regional Director – West

Allan Murphy, V.P. Government Relations

SUMMARY

Call to Order (Chair) 1:04 pm

1. **Welcome and CPA Member Compliance Statement** (Chair) – The Chair welcomed all to the October Manitoba Propane Committee Meeting. The CPA Member Compliance Statement; acknowledged by all in attendance.

2. **Approval of Agenda** – moved by Blair Overby; seconded by Neil Atkins

3. **Approval of Minutes from June 19th Meeting** - A point was asked to be added to the CPA report on a proposed CPA study on 420WG cylinders.

- **Motion:** *To approve the minutes from the June 19th meeting with the amendment.*
- **Moved:** Ken Fotty **Seconded:** Rheal Gousseau
Carried

4. Business Arising from Minutes

- No business arising from the minutes of the June 19th meeting.

5. Chair Report

- Chair discussed that even with some wet fall weather, harvest and heating seasons underway in Manitoba.
- The Chair told the group that the MPC – OFC working group had met earlier in the day, with the MPC raising grain dryer inspections, barriers, and the PTI 400-01 course recognition as issues for our industry.
- The Chair expressed his frustration with the new code requirements for barriers, noting that they do not exist as yet; OFC has stated that it will continue to work with Saskatchewan for consistency of enforcement and allow current barriers until a resolution is found.
- The MPC-OFC meeting discussed the Risk Based Inspection Program for grain dryers and the status of a joint bulletin on grain dryers that was supposed to be published but was not because of the election timing.
- The MPC – OFC meeting also discussed PTI course 400-01 construction heaters, CPA gave OFC a copy of the course for their review and approval, as well as information on all Propane Training Institute courses.
- The Chair also discussed that the OFC had stated it will enforce regulations on diesel construction heaters, somewhat leveling the playing field with propane.

6. CPA Report

- Regional Director Darren Cunningham introduced Allan Murphy V.P. Government Relations to discuss the Propane Advantage initiative to educate candidates in the Federal Election. Murphy also gave a quick update on CPA's request an exemption for propane for agriculture and remote/rural home heating in the federal Carbon Tax.
- CPA updated the committee:
- on the Manitoba red tape reduction campaign and successes, we have seen for propane in other provinces;
- the new safety section on propane.ca and the Reliable Propane branding program and how to access;
- the electronic shipping documents pilot program from Transport Canada;
- an update on direct fired vaporizers; that a docket had been submitted to the B149 Committee and has been accepted, will recognize the UL standard in Canada;
- the CPA national recycling initiative; members are generally supportive;
- a discussion on the status of harvest, and Manitoba crop reports for member use;
- a quick talk about tanks on trailers as it is harvest time;
- a short discussion on the Standards Council researching interprovincial labour mobility for gas fitters.

7. Learning & Development – Darren Cunningham updated the Committee on:

- An update on the efforts at PTI – renewed courses, printing on demand online ordering; course prerequisites and prequalification, and the letter that went to OFC on online tools, and certificates;
- Committee suggests sending an answer key with each order; that way if a version change has occurred both the course and answer key are current.
- Discussion on PTI course 400-01 to ensure the regulator will recognize the course and ultimately achieve full recognition of PTI courses in Manitoba. The regulator is looking to issue licences on training areas, details to be determined.

8. National Committee Reports

- **Regulatory Affairs Committee** – Updated the Committee on the October 3rd Regulatory Affairs Committee meeting.
 - To join the Regulatory Affairs Committee email darrencunningham@propane.ca .
- **Transportation** – Updated the Committee on the October 2nd Transportation Committee meeting.
 - To join the Transportation Committee email darrencunningham@propane.ca .
- **Auto Propane Committee** – Updated members on the September 19th Auto Propane Committee meeting.
 - To join the Auto Propane Committee email darrencunningham@propane.ca .

9. Manitoba Committee Business

- Dave Neufeld delivered the Treasurer’s report.
- Members discussed the annual MPC Golf Tournament.

10. New / Other Business – No new business.

11. Next Meeting Date(s)

- 2019 MPC meeting dates – December 11 at the Viscount Gort in Winnipeg

12. Meeting Adjourned – 2:30 pm