



N.W. IAPMO Chapter Meeting – 6-7-2018

6:00 pm Call to Order

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Self introductions

Chair Report – Steve Hart

Annual Picnic – 8-11-2018

City of Seattle watching Grease interceptors more closely during plan review and inspections

Treasurer Report – Treasurer was excused – no report

Last months minutes read and excepted

Gary Christianson and Angelic Hockel – Seattle F.O.G.

Department

Gave update about the state of the department and what steps have been achieved to this point

Spoke about where most of the FOG was coming from, 750,000 homes produce very little FOG, it mostly comes from the 5500 restaurants

The importance of getting FOG under control, every time they must snake or jet a line it takes life of the inner lining of the pipes

500 miles of sewer lines are cleared every year

That cost gets passed to the customers

The EPA gives a fine for every blockage which are also passed to the customer

Most frequently cleaned lines are around restaurants

The influx of people makes the problem worse, more people, more restaurants more FOG

FOG program is trying to educate the public about FOG and the issues around it

They discourage “garbage disposals” yet promote composting as an alternative

They are pushing for legislation to require all kitchen plumbing fixtures in a restaurant to go thru a properly sized Grease Interceptor

The code and what works are not always in line with each other

They have 4 inspectors trying to patrol 5500 restaurants

They have prioritized certain “problem “areas

They led discussion and answered questions

Chad Lindsay – Rainwater Catchment

This is a growing industry (Steve Hart is seeing more and more plans up for review using rainwater catchment)

Capturing rainwater is good for the environment

Rainwater is not reclaimed, grey or stormwater

More and more counties are requiring rainwater catchment

Can be used many different ways depending on amount of filtration, irrigation and potable

Rainwater catchment goes back into history

Some areas of Washington you have no choice, salty wells, brackish water etc.

Went over many ways to collect and store rainwater

Went over how to size a proper system

Went over the different levels of filtration depending on usages

Spoke about how most major city aquifers are operating at full capacity

Rainwater catchment can help offset this issue

ASSE and ARSCA have developed training and a certification specific to rainwater catchment

A healthy question and answer period followed

Steve Hart

Answered code questions

Old Business – none

New Business – None

Adjournment – 8:00 pm

Respectivly submitted

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