

**MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC PURCHASING OFFICIALS
(MAPPO)**

MEETING MINUTES

November 14, 2007 at Winter Island in Salem, MA

Elaine Shola, MAPPO president, thanked Al Hill for hosting the meeting. She introduced the speaker and had new members and guests introduce themselves.

Elaine introduced Robert Quinn, First Assistant City Solicitor from Quincy. Robert discussed performance contracting and presented handouts on contracts for energy management, reduction of energy, and spreadsheets on costs over 20 years. Elaine thanked Attorney Robert Quinn for his presentation.

The following are new members: Sarah Stanton from Ipswich and Sandra Cashen from Dennis-Yarmouth Regional Schools.

The following guests attended: Steve Finn, Executive Director of the Malden Housing Authority and guest of Ed Fahey from Malden.

Motion was made and seconded to accept minutes of Oct. 18, 2007 meeting. Approved by members.

Next meeting will be holiday party December 12, 2007 at Max Stein's American Steakhouse in Lexington. A Yankee Swap will be held, \$15 gift.

Fire Chiefs Association of MA contacted MAPPO regarding ambulance, fire truck, and emergency apparatus procurements. MAPPO is "not endorsing" this project and suggested they contact the Inspector General. The Association wanted to follow the states of Texas or Florida procurement methods. IG generated a letter to the Fire Chiefs Association. Issues looked into:

- wanted to charge fee, percentage of vehicles
- membership to be a condition of participation
- not recognized as a unit for procurements

Jim McGrath summarized a bid protest regarding a fire station exhaust extraction system. Protest filed with the Attorney General prior to the bid opening. Court ruled in favor of Waltham.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
David Geanakakis, MAPPO Secretary