Building Officials Conference of North East Ohio









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## President's Message

Here we are, hard to believe that we are in the last quarter of the year already. Even harder to believe that the end of my two-year term is coming to a close. But with that being said, there are still a lot of things to get done. We will have our annual business meeting next month in November with the election of new officers. Membership renewals will be taking place, and the OBAO Conference is November 7 - 9.

Next month will be our Annual business meeting. BOCONEO needs members to be involved. Without the involvement, there is no BOCONEO or continuing education, or voices to lobby for issues at the state level. There has always been a great team of directors and board members that have kept BOCONEO healthy and active being able to provide education and resources for all of us. We need you to consider helping out. With great members, everyone helps everyone and projects are tackled as a team. If you are interested in supporting BOCONEO and want to become a board member please reach out to any one of us.

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October 20, 2021- 1:00 via Webex

Majed Dabdoub

BBS2021-210 Chapter 34 3 hours - all certifications

**REGISTER HERE** 

### Roundtables via WebEx

Plans Examiner Roundtable October 20, 2021- 9:00 a.m.

Plumbing Roundtable October 21, 2021- 9:00 a.m.

Electrical Roundtable (**Thursday**) \*\*October 21, 2021-9:00 a.m.\*\*

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We will have our monthly meeting through Webex along with our round tables. Look for the link further in the newsletter or in an email. This month the electrical roundtable will be on Thursday instead of Friday. There is a chance that the plumbing roundtable will switch to be on Friday for this month. Pay attention to the roundtable dates when you sign up.



Daniel Spada President

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Treasurer Report

President

Daniel Spada Geauga County

September 2021

First Vice President

Russell Rodic Checking account beginning balance Safebuilt

Deposits:

Total

None

Second Vice President

Less: David Faciana

Olmsted Township Insurance

578.00 \$ 578.00

Secretary/Webmaster

Monica Ferrante Mayfield Heights

**Ending Balance** 

\$ 20,178.16

\$20,756.16

Treasurer

Laura Heilman

Scholarship Account Beginning Balance

\$ 7,781.25

South Euclid

Deposits:

**Education Chairmen** 

Less:

**Ending Balance** 

David Faciana

Olmsted Township

None

None

**Cooperating Member** 

Mike Girbino

Mayfield Village Fire Dept.

Retired

Money Market Account

Beginning Balance

\$ 62,946.11

\$ 7,781.25

Past President

Michael Gero

Plus:

Independence Interest

1.03

**Ending Balance** 

\$ 62,947.14

**TOTAL ASSETS:** 

\$ 90,906.55



Laura Heilman Treasurer

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## From Your Secretary

Please remember the email you provide on your membership application is where you will receive the newsletter and notifications. Any changes can be sent to my email and I will update your account.

When meetings are held through WebEx, the certificates are sent based on the email and device you log on with to participate.

When joining the meetings through WebEx, please be sure the email address is accurate. If you join by phone, please send me an email so your email can be added to receive your certificate.

Please check the website for job postings. If you need a posting put on website, please send it to me in a Word Doc, to ferrantemonica297@gmail.com

Also, if you have a post on the website and the job has been filled, please let me know, so I can update the site.

Be well!





Monica Ferrante Secretary

**Link to BOCONEO website** 

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## Fire Marshal's Report

Fall is upon us and with it, Fire Prevention Week. In 1920, President Woodrow Wilson issued the first National Fire Prevention Day proclamation, and since 1922 Fire Prevention Week has been observed on the Sunday through Saturday period in which October 9th falls, marking the anniversary of the great Chicago Fire. According to the National Archives and Records Administration's Library Information Center, Fire Prevention Week is the longest running public health and safety observance on record. The President of the United States has signed a proclamation proclaiming a national observance during that week every year since 1925. Over time, fire prevention week has evolved into what some refer to as fire prevention month beginning on October 1st running through Halloween.

Fire Officials typically spend their time during this period focusing on educating the public through focused, well organized informational campaigns, in-person presentations and other public awareness programs designed to teach people not only how to prevent fires in their homes and places of work, but how to better protect themselves from the threat of fire and how to respond in the event a fire occurs despite their safety conscious efforts.

While fire official's efforts to educate the public on the benefits of fire safety are widely known, the value of the work performed by building officials, plans examiners, architects, and inspectors as it applies to and affects occupant safety often goes unnoticed and unrecognized. All of us who work in this industry comprise the first line of defense in ensuring the proper application of the building and fire codes as they relate to building, fire and occupant safety and the work you do is undeniably essential. We need only look at history to realize the human toll when this system breaks down. The Station night club fire in 2003, the Cocoanut Grove fire, and the Beverly Hills Supper Club fire are just a few examples of the tragedy that can occur when our system becomes compromised.

It is the work that all of you do each day that I wish to acknowledge this Fire Prevention Week. Our world is a safer place because of your efforts.

Be Well, Stay Safe!



Assistant Chief Michael Girbino, Fire Marshal Mayfield Village Fire, Retired BOCONEO Cooperating Member

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## Past President's Report

As President Spada has stated, in November we will be electing new Executive Board members. There is always someone who is interested in running for one of the positions but doesn't feel he is qualified. I think everyone who has served on the Executive Board had felt that way at some point. The important part is that they took a chance and stepped up. The members of the Board act as one and works together as a team, you are never alone. Consider running for a position, it is a great experience!

Be sure to keep your con-ed hours on track. There have been many classes offered via online formats. Obtaining your con-ed hours should not be difficult at this time. Should you "attend" a BOCONEO WebEx class and are logged in on a phone or someone else's name, be sure to notify Secretary, Monica Ferrante so we can be sure to send you your certificate. **REMEMBER**, it is your responsibility to be sure you are on the attendance roster and the BOCONEO has a valid email for you.

Please stay safe and healthy until we all are able to fellowship and gather again,

Michael Gero



Michael Gero Past President