Meeting was called to order by Jim Barta, President, at 1:05 p.m. 14 members present. Self-introductions were made.

TREASURERS REPORT:
- Total bank balance is: $3876.65.

SECRETARIES REPORT:
- It was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:

MSHA Spring Thaw is scheduled for March 10, 2016 at the Hutchinson Community College. Some of the topics for discussion were:
- Electrical Demo Trailer
- LOTO
- Site Specific Training
- Confined Space
- Tie off to mobile equipment – engineered okay, if not, no.
- Contractors working alone
- No hard hats drilled or glued on.
- High wall safety/ground support (Tech Support from MSHA).

Sid Garay announced he is moving to Arizona to continue his MSHA career.

MSHA Updates by Leon Muller:
- Fatality update
- Secondary Root Cause Analysis
• Training
• New MSHA website

There is going to be Heartland Blasting Training in February.

We were not able to set meeting dates for the rest of the year, due to not being allowed to have cell phones in the Federal building. It was decided that the officers would get together via phone and set dates and locations for 2016. Companies who have volunteered to hold the meetings were:

• Cornejo
• APAC
• Foley
• Bayer (JC or Manhattan)

Some associated meeting topics were:

• Fall protection/Rescue Plan (May)
• CLR
• Aerial Work Platform training – Foley – (July)
• Fundraiser – (September)
• Slip and Fall Hazards (November) – Focus on jobs (insurance company)

We presented the awards for those who are present. The rest will be handed out at the Spring Thaw.

Adjourned at 2:40 pm.