

MINUTES

FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

MAY 18, 2011

The meeting was called to order by David J. Waskowicz, Chairperson, at 9:34 a.m. in Room-126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present:	David J. Waskowicz – Unlimited Journeyperson, Chairperson Kevin Wypychoski – Contractor Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyperson Anthony D. Moscato – Fire Marshal Luis A. Coreano – Public Member John Michalewicz – Public Member
Members Absent:	Robert W. Hollis, III – Contractor Ralph Carl Miller – Fire Marshal
Board Vacancies:	One Public Member
Board Counsel Present:	None
DCP Staff Present:	Nelson Leon
Public Present:	Tammie Whiting Mike Livingstone

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the March 16, 2011 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting with amendments to page-4 under "Correspondence" to reflect the Board discussing upcoming proposed legislation concerning retiree licenses and DCP providing the Board with a Fire Protection test result comparison report for review.

APPLICATIONS

William C. Christie, III, Summit, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Christie's application.

Robert E. Deluca, N. Bennington, VT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Deluca's application.

Chris A. Elliott, Chicopee, MA – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Elliott's application.

Kevin G. Elliott, Jr., W. Brookfield, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Elliott's application due to lack of required notarized statements from his occupational employers attesting to his occupational related dates and duties of employment.

Michael D. Ford, Mechanicville, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Ford's application.

Trevor G. Gardner, Hoosick Falls, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Gardner's application.

John A. Givens, Hartford, CT – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Givens' application.

Stephen M. Graves, Wall, NJ – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Graves' application.

Dale H. Hall, Colchester, CT – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Hall's application.

Jason A. Kowalker, New Britain, CT – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Kowalker's application.

Peter E. Maliszewski, New Britain, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Maliszewski's application.

Joseph M. Maurer, Rogers, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Maurer's application.

Jonathan Maynard, Indian Orchard, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board approved Mr. Maynard's application at their 1/19/11 meeting, contingent upon receipt of a notarized statement from his occupational employer (HFP Corporation) attesting to his specific dates and duties of employment, subject to review and approval by the Board Chairperson.

After further review of Mr. Maynard's application at today's meeting, the Board voted unanimously to approve his application.

Richard G. Plambeck, Jr., Walkill, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Plambeck's application.

Stephen J. Post, Pleasant Valley, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Post's application.

Gary S. Preston, Bennington, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Preston's application.

Dennis G. Pry, Slippery Rock, PA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Pry's application.

Frank A. Risucci, Jr., Pleasant Valley, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Risucci's application.

William T. Saunders, Stillwater, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Saunders' application.

Daniel P. Searles, Bethlehem, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Searles' application.

Troy W. Spath, South Hampton, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Spath's application due to lack of a required "Apprenticeship Completion Certificate".

Brian E. Van Etten, Jr., Gloversville, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved
The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Van Etten’s application.

Alan J. Vinci, Milford, CT – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved
The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Vinci’s application.

Gerald L. Wright, Jr., Concord, NH – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved
The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Wright’s application.

LATE ARRIVING APPLICATIONS

(The Board voted unanimously to add the following late arriving applications)

Marcos A. Cueto, Port Chester, NY – (F-3) Limited Contractor – Denied
The Board voted unanimous to deny Mr. Cueto’s application due to lack of a required (F-4) Limited Journeyman license for a minimum of two years.

Robert P. Livigni, Hopewell Jct., NY – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied
The Board voted unanimous to deny Mr. Livigni’s application due to lack of a required “Apprenticeship Completion Certificate”.

Cyprian Louis, Windsor Locks, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved
The Board voted unanimous to approve Mr. Louis’ application.

Curt R. Relyea, Poughkeepsie, NY – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied
The Board voted unanimous to deny Mr. Relyea’s application due to lack of “Apprenticeship Completion Certificate” deemed similar or comparable to the CT apprenticeship standards for the (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. CT Department of Labor table detailing the credit that may be given toward the indicated trade apprenticeships for the possession of some other trade license.
2. List of suspended and revoked occupational trades licenses.
3. List of Fire Protection Sprinkler Work Licenses From 2004 – 2011.
4. Residential Sprinkler Working Group

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Waskowicz reported meeting with DCP Commissioner and DCP Trade Enforcement Director and chairpersons of other trade Boards to discuss lack of complaint hearings before the Board, the high number of "Assurance of Voluntary Compliance" agreements to settle complaints, and that the last hearing before the Board was August 21, 2007.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board presented an article written by The Waterbury Republican concerning a school plumbing foreman from Waterbury for falsifying fire sprinkler safety inspections before the opening of schools this year. The individual blanked out dates on past inspection forms, filled in new dates and handed these into the city fire department. The forgery was caught by the city fire marshal and the employee was fired in September. In a decision handed down, the arbiter acknowledged the employee's fault but found the punishment too severe and ordered the employee returned to the city payroll.

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT

Upon review of the DCP Complaint Status Report, the Board asked Board Secretary to inquire on the status of two complaints reflected on the complaint report for the period 1/17/11-3/14/11 (Case No. 2008-2442 & 2008-9356). The Board Secretary verified a \$5,500.00 fine each. The Board asked if the fines were paid and the Board Secretary said they would have to inquire with DCP Trade Enforcement Director (Richard Maloney) concerning the payment of such fines. The Board recommended that the Board Chairperson contact DCP Commissioner concerning this matter.

2011 MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesdays --- January 19, March 16, May, 18, July 20, September 21, November 16.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon
Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 20, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. in Room-126.