

MINUTES

FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

JANUARY 5, 2012

The meeting was called to order by David J. Waskowicz, Chairperson, at 10:15 a.m. in Room-117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: David J. Waskowicz – Unlimited Journeyperson, Chairperson
Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyperson
Anthony D. Moscato – Fire Marshal
John Michalewicz – Public Member

Members Absent: Robert W. Hollis, III – Contractor
Kevin Wypychoski – Contractor
Ralph Carl Miller – Fire Marshal
Luis A. Coreano – Public Member

Board Vacancies: One Public Member

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon
Richard M. Hurlburt
Anthony Santoro, Esq.

Public Present: Tammie Whiting, CT Dept. of Labor Apprenticeship Rep.

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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Due to the Plumbing Board going fifteen minutes over their time, the Fire Protection convened at 10:15 a.m. The Board reported issues with parking in that parking was not guaranteed to the Board members.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the December 14, 2011 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting

APPLICATIONS

Gordon R. Odgren, Worcester, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Odgren's application due to statement from his occupational employer (Cogswell Sprinkler Co., Inc.) not notarized and does not reflect dates and duties of employment and lack of required documentation from DCP reflecting completion of felony conviction background check and clearance for application review.

Robert F. Marchese, Boston, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – No Action

The Board denied Mr. Marchese's application at their 11/16/11 meeting due to lack of required notarized statements from his occupational employers attesting to his dates and duties of employment and lack of required documentation concerning his school related experience.

Mr. Marchese did not appear today and the Board took no action.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board inquired on the procedure for applicants with felony convictions. The Board is requesting that verification from DCP staff be attached to the application reflecting felony conviction, confirming the completion of a background check and clearing applicant for application review.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Occupational Trades (Pass / Fail) Exam Report.

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT

There was no complaint report or DCP Trade Enforcement Representative present today.

COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC PRESENT TODAY

Mr. Appleby said his Board gets monthly complaint status reports and recently asked for a list of uncollected fines during the past 15 years and a complaint status report concerning Board referrals to DCP Trade Enforcement going back to 2008. Mr. Waskowicz said that DCP Commissioner said if the report is required by statute, then the Chairman is to receive one. Mr. Appleby and the Board commended Mr. Leon for his work and commitment to the Boards he serves. Mr. Appleby expressed concern about fines not being collected on behalf of complaints with substantiated violations, and that the Boards are looking for action against the license of such violators who are not paying levied fines. Mr. Waskowicz said the legislature has to pass laws with teeth, such as the 30-day requirement to act on an application without having a penalty for not acting within 30-days. The penalty should apply if established procedures that are in place are not complied with.

2012 Meeting Schedule

9:00 a.m. in Room-117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford

- **January 26 – Thursday**
- **February 23 – Thursday**
- **March 22 – Thursday**
- **April 19 – Thursday**
- **May 17 – Thursday**
- **June 14 – Thursday**
- **July 12 – Thursday**
- **August 9 – Thursday**
- **September 6 – Thursday**
- **October 4 – Thursday**
- **November 1 – Thursday**
- **November 29 – Thursday**
- **December 27 – Thursday**

The Board voted unanimously to revise their 2012 Board meeting schedule and meet every 28 days at 9:00 a.m. as noted above.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon
Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 26, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in Room-117.