

MINUTES

FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

SEPTEMBER 17, 2015

The meeting was called to order by David Waskowicz, Chairperson, on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: David J. Waskowicz - Unlimited Journeyperson,
Chairperson
Robert W. Hollis, III – Unlimited Contractor
Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyperson
Kevin Griffith – State Fire Marshal
Anthony D. Moscato – Public Member
John Michalewicz – Public Member
Edward Peznowski – Public Member

Members Absent: Kevin Wypychoski – Unlimited Contractor

Board Vacancies: One local fire marshal

DCP Board Staff: Richard M. Hurlburt, Director
Karen Layman, Secretary

Others Present: Richard Maloney, Director, Trade Practices
Tammie Whiting, Dept. of Labor
David LaFond

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2015 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

APPLICATIONS:

Terrance DeYoung, Warwick, RI – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. DeYoung's (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman application.

Jonathan Perry, Attleboro, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Perry's (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman application due to lack of proof of the required 8,000 hours of on the job training.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Residential fire sprinkler systems

The Board reviewed a document entitled, "*Uponor AquaSAFE First PEX Fire Sprinkler System to Receive Exposed Listing*" at the August 20, 2015 meeting. After discussion, the Board requested that the Department send correspondence to the State Fire Marshal and State Building Inspector asking the following question, "With this listing, is this product approved for use in the State of Connecticut, including exposed applications?" The Department sent an e-mail regarding this matter on August 21, 2015.

William Abbott, State Fire Marshal, replied to this email with the following response, "As long as the system is installed in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions and its listing, the system would be approved for use." The Board read this response and a brief discussion took place.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Application added to the agenda

The Board voted unanimously to add the following application to the agenda:

Leroy Hie, New Haven, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman

After a review of the application, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Hie's (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman application.

3. Letter to Keith Flood, Codes and Standards Committee

Previous to this meeting, Board Members had received and reviewed a copy of a letter dated August 24, 2015 and addressed to Keith Flood, Chairperson of the State Codes and Standards

Committee, with regard to the Codes and Standards Committee not adopting the residential sprinkler requirements as written in the International Residential Code (IRC).

At today's meeting, the Board voted unanimously to forward this letter to Keith Flood with the following amendment: Addition to the first page, "At our September 17, 2015 meeting of the Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board, a motion was made and passed unanimously for me, as Chairman of the Board, to forward this letter to you with regard to your committee not adopting the residential sprinkler requirements as written in the International Residential Code (IRC)."

4. DCP Report to the General Assembly's General Law Committee pursuant to Public Act 14-210, "An Act Concerning the Enforcement of Certain Occupational Licensing Statutes" dated January 15, 2015.

Board so noted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

DCP TRADE PRACTICES COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

1. The Board will review the complaint report submitted by the DCP Trade Practices Division including open, closed, and dismissed cases.

The Board reviewed a current complaint report consisting of opened cases.

2. Appearance from Trade Practices Division

Richard Maloney appeared and provided the Board with details on Case #2014-101, 2015-154, and 2015-153, as requested. Chairperson David Waskowicz expressed his concern that cases are not coming before the board, especially the serious violations. The Board would like to hear more cases in the future.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

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

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
Board Secretary

2015 Meeting Schedule

- November 19, 2015
- December 17, 2015

All meetings will take place at 9:00 a.m. at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT in Room 117