

MINUTES

FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

OCTOBER 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order by David Waskowicz, Chairperson, on Thursday, October 20, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: David J. Waskowicz - Unlimited Journeyperson,
Chairperson
Kevin Wypychoski – Unlimited Contractor
Keith Flood – Local Fire Marshal
Anthony D. Moscato – Public Member
John Michalewicz – Public Member
Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyperson

Members Absent: Kevin Griffith – State Fire Marshal
Robert W. Hollis, III – Unlimited Contractor

Board Vacancies: Public member

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

Others Present: Michelle Seagull, Deputy Commissioner
Theodore Doolittle, Director, Occupational and Professional
Trades Enforcement Unit
Leslie O'Brien, Legislative Program Director
Tammie Whiting, Department of Labor
John Abbate, Jr., FPT/NFSA

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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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board reviewed the September 15, 2016 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board draft minutes and voted unanimously to accept as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

APPLICATIONS:

The Board noted that there were no new applications for review. A report generated by DCP listing all applications from January 2016 to present was distributed and discussed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems

Chairperson David Waskowicz attended the October 13, 2016 Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board meeting and provided the Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board today with an overview of items discussed at this meeting.

The document entitled, "*Draft language for proposed F-7/F-8 Limited Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems Work license*," which was on the Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board October agenda, was discussed and a motion was made to investigate such proposed license. (See New Business Item No. 3)

2. Memorandum of Understanding

(See New Business Item No. 2)

3. Applicants and exam results

Board so noted.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Meeting Schedule for 2016/2017

The Department of Consumer Protection will be moving to 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut, 06103 in December of 2016. Please note the following changes in the schedule due to this move:

- November 17, 2016 – This meeting will take place at 9:00 a.m. at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, Room 117

- December 2016 – The meeting previously scheduled for December 15, 2016 has been **cancelled**; No meetings will be held this month
- January 2017 – No meetings will be held this month
- All meetings in 2017 will take place at the new location

The 2017 Board calendar was distributed to all Board members present.

2. Appearance by DCP staff for the purpose of discussing Memorandum of understanding (MOU):

Theodore Doolittle, Michelle Seagull, and Leslie O'Brien appeared and discussed the changes in license application processing, enforcement, and the history of the North Carolina Dental Board case, which was a key factor in the development of the MOU.

David Waskowicz inquired about the time frame in which a fire protection license can be reinstated. Director Richard M. Hurlburt confirmed that a license can be reinstated automatically up to two years. After two years, proof that the licensee continued to practice in another state during the time the license was lapsed must be provided.

3. Draft language for proposed F-7/F-8 Limited Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems Work license

After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to investigate a limited license category for multipurpose residential fire sprinklers in one and two family dwellings per NFPA13D, with the training and exam to be determined by the Board, DCP, and DOL.

4. Department of Labor Memo 10-11-16 Re: Contractors/Business Owners registering as an apprentice

Board so noted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Daniel Tierney, Deputy State Building Inspector, dated September 14, 2016 regarding State Building Code Application to Non-Required Sprinkler Systems

Board so noted

DCP OCCUPATIONAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT:

The Board reviewed a complaint report provided by the Department dated January 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016 including open and closed cases.

Board so noted.

CHANGE IN MEETING TIME:

The Board voted unanimously to change the meeting time for this Board to 10:00 a.m. beginning with the November 17, 2016 meeting and all meetings thereafter.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
Board Secretary

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- **November 17, 2016**

Meeting will be held at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, Room 117 at 10:00 a.m.

2017 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- **March 9, 2017**
- **May 11, 2017**
- **July 20, 2017**
- **September 14, 2017**
- **November 9, 2017**

All meetings will take place at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT at 10:00 a.m.