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Minutes

**Meeting of the
Board of Elevator Regulations
March 29, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.**

Microsoft Teams meeting

Board Members Present:

Eric Morse, Acting Chair
David Gaudet
Christopher Towski
Thomas McDermott
Neil Mullane
Brian Ronan
David Morgan

Division of Occupational Licensure Staff:

Peter Kelley
Ruthy Barros

Call to Order: 1:05 p.m.

1. Continued discussion and review of 524 CMR §26.00: Certain Elevator Equipment Used as Motor Vehicle Parking Devices [**Exhibit 1**]. Members of the public were present for comments. Ms. Joyce Collier submitted a letter [**Exhibit 2**] and spoke to the Board and gave information regarding her existing 2-car stacker in her condominium. Ms. Collier requested the Board to consider modifying the regulations for private use in-home auto lift inspections, as she believes private use car lifts inspections should not fall under the same regulations as large auto park systems that have heavy use. The Board then went on to discuss §26.04: Classification. Mr. Morgan offered to provide edits to the Board to §26.05: Construction of Hoistways and Hoistway Enclosures and §26.06: Hoistway Gates in Non-Fire Resistive Hoistways. There were questions of how the Board should move forward to update this

section to be more applicable to puzzlers and other parking devices. Next, the Board discussed §26.07: Protection at Other Levels and pondered what section should have detector devices, with a possibility of §26.05 and/or §26.06. Afterwards, the Board discussed §26.09: Car and Counterweight Buffers, Counterweights, and Mr. Morse offered to provide edits to the Board. Lastly, the Board reviewed and discussed §26.10: Car Frames and Platforms, §26.11: Car Enclosures and Car Gates and §26.12: Car and Counterweight Safeties and Speed Governors. Mr. Mullane volunteered to provide the Board with edits to §26.11: Car Enclosures and Car Gates. Counsel proposed that perhaps the Board could create a draft for the May public meeting. A statement was made to the public to send comments and markups to Ms. Barros for Board review. The Board proposed a subcommittee for code review. The Board will complete the assigned edits and will review at the next code review meeting.

2. Approval of meeting minutes from January 4, 2022 [Exhibit 3]

A motion was put forth by David Morgan to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Christopher Towski. **Vote: 5-0; Granted.** Brian Ronan was not present during voting.

Roll Call Vote:

• Eric Morse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• David Gaudet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Christopher Towski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Thomas McDermott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• David Morgan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Neil Mullane	Abstained	

3. Old Business:

Mr. Morse asked Chief McDermott if the final Phase II letter was sent out and Chief McDermott replied that the letter was not sent as of yet but will be sent out as a constant contact from the department. Next, Mr. Mullane reviewed the site visit of 457 West Broadway, Boston, where he, Mr. Ronan and Technical Code Coordinator Johnny Rubyck recently attended. Counsel explained that members should bring concerns to the department for the acceptance test.

Motion to Adjourn: David Morgan
Seconded: Christopher Towski
Vote: 7-0; Adjourned.

Hearing concluded at 3:34 p.m.
Prepared by: Ruthy Barros

Exhibit List:

- Exhibit 1: Draft of 524 CMR §26.00
- Exhibit 2: Letter from Ms. Joyce Collier dated March 12, 2021
- Exhibit 3: Meeting minutes from January 4, 2022