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AGENDA

Date: Thursday, November 1, 2018
Time: 1:00 pm
Place: Department of Fire Services, Stow, MA

Monthly Board Meeting

1. Chairman to open the meeting.
2. Minutes from the August 2, 2018 meeting submitted for approval
3. Minutes from October 4, 2018 hearing submitted for approval.

New Business

1. Communication from James T. Murphy, regarding AFCI protection for required assisted living facility.
2. Two communications from Frederic P. Hartwell, President of Hartwell Electrical Services, Inc. regarding the Board of Electricians' case BEA-18-00006-AP Appeals:
 - a. Requesting the Superior Court to remand this matter, in order that it be allowed to reopen with respect to streetlights in the Town of Millis for further proceedings not inconsistent with its position on the extent to which 527 CMR 12 applies to municipal street lighting.
 - b. Requesting the following interpretation, does the conversion of ownership of a luminaire installed pursuant to c. 164 §34A and made subject to "an alternative tariff approved by the department" result in the luminaire becoming subject to provisions in the National Electrical Code as it applies in Massachusetts?

Old Business

1. Communication from Philip Motta, Past President, Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association, regarding interpretation of NFPA 1 provision 10.14.8.
 2. Communication from Robert O'Connell, Deputy Fire Chief for the Town of West Boylston pertaining to the silencing / resetting of fire alarm systems in conjunction with the required periodic inspection of fire sprinkler systems (NFPA 25) and chemical suppression systems (such as kitchen suppression, dry chemical special hazards, and clean agent type systems NFPA 12; 17; 17A; 2001).
 - a. *Advisory ruling from DPL and DFS advisory*
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3. Update on 2018 code process
4. Committee/ Reports
 - a. *Administrative Code Committee*
 - b. *General Requirements Code Committee*
 - i. *WIP. Meeting with regards to a communication from Philip Motta, Past President, Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association, regarding interpretation of NFPA 1 provision 10.14.8.*
 - c. *Occupancy Code Committee*
 - d. *Processing Code Committee*
 - e. *Equipment Code Committee*
 - f. *Hazardous Code Committee*
 - g. *Electrical Code Committee*
 - i. *Interpretation Code Committee (Electrical) - Communication from Nick Ferzacca, PE, LEED, Principal, Architectural Engineers, Inc. request for an interpretation regarding the use of PVC installed at the Wonderland MBTA Station.*
 - ii. *Interpretation Code Committee (Electrical) - Communication from James T. Murphy, regarding AFCI protection for required assisted living facility.*
 - a. Meeting scheduled for the interpretation committee at 11:30AM on Thursday October 25, at MECA in Dedham, MA. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider the interpretation requests from Nick Ferzacca (Wonderland MBTA) and James Murphy (Assisted Living facilities and AFCI Protection).
5. Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

The next meeting of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations will be held on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 1:00 pm at the Department of Fire Services, Boards and Commissions Room, Stow, MA.

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