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NOTICE OF MEETING

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 20, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations, including an advertised public hearing on proposed amendments to the Massachusetts Electrical Code, 527 CMR 12.00, which will be held at the Department of Fire Services, 1 State Road, Stow, Massachusetts in the Boards and Commissions Room at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 2, 2018.

AGENDA

Date: Thursday, August 2, 2018
Time: 1:00 pm
Place: Department of Fire Services, Stow, MA

Advertised Regulatory Public Hearing

1. Chair to Open Hearing and read public notice

In accordance with M.G.L. c.30A, s.2 and s.3 and c. 143, s. 3L, notice is hereby given of a public hearing by the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations (BFPR) at the Department of Fire Services, State Road, Stow, MA., in the Boards and Commissions Room on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. for the purpose of hearing public comment on proposed technical amendments to the Massachusetts Electrical Code (527 CMR 12.00). Said code is, in large part, based upon the National Electrical Code (NFPA 70, 2017 Edition). The amendments reflect technical interim amendments made to the base NFPA 70, after the original effective date (1-1-17) and are, in large part, corrective in nature and provide more detail or clarity to existing technical installation methods. Written comments regarding the proposed amendments may also be forwarded to Richard Fredette, BFPR's Executive Director, P.O. Box 1025, State Rd, Stow, MA. 01775 (Tel. 978-567-3713 by 3:00 p.m., August 1, 2018. Copies of the proposed amendments are also available at the BFPR's web page at:
<http://www.mass.gov/eopss/agencies/dfs/> or by contacting Mr. Fredette.

2. Receipt of public Comments

Monthly Board Meeting

1. Chairman to open the meeting.
2. Minutes from the March 1, 2018 meeting submitted for approval

New Business

1. Minutes from our statutory public hearing, held May 3, 2018 in accordance M.G.L. c.148 § 10.
2. Review comments received relative to today's Regulatory Public Hearing and possible vote to submit proposed amendment 527 CMR 12.00 (Massachusetts Electrical Code) to the Secretary of State's office for final promulgation.
3. 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).
4. 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.
5. Communication from Philip Motta, Past President, Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association, regarding interpretation of NFPA 1 provision 10.14.8.

Old Business

1. Update on 2018 code process
2. Committee/ Reports
 - a. *Administrative Code Committee*
 - b. *General Requirements Code Committee*
 - i. *Discussion of chairman for the General Requirements Code Committee*
 - 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, received February 20, 2018, from Russell LeBlanc requesting interpretation of 334.10(3).
3. Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

The next meeting of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations will be held on Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 1:00 pm at the Department of Fire Services, Boards and Commissions Room, Stow, MA. Please contact the Board's Executive Director if your code committee wants to meet on or before August 2, 2018.

Submitted by: Richard A. Fredette

Copies of documents available at DFS

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