

**BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2019
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The Board of Fire Prevention Regulations held a Board meeting on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at the Department of Fire Services, Boards and Commissions Room, Stow, Massachusetts.

The following Board members were present at this meeting:

Anthony Caputo	Registered Professional Fire Protection Engineer
John J. Clancy	Inspector of Buildings in a City/Town
Jeffrey Cox	Registered Professional Electrical Engineer
John D. Cox	Registered Professional Chemical Engineer
Larry S. Fisher	Electrical Contractor
Michael Hazel	Chief, Tewksbury Fire Department
Gary S. Keith	Representative of the Public
Robert MacKendrick	FPAM Representative
Peter Ostroskey	State Fire Marshal
Paul C. Scheiner	Chemist
Kenneth A. Smith	Blasting Association Member

The following Board members were absent from this meeting:

William Laidler	Hanover Wiring Inspector
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DFS/BFPR staffing present at this meeting:

Richard Fredette	Board Executive Director
Jennifer Hoyt	Division of Fire Safety
Christina Rodriguez	Division of Fire Safety
Glenn Rooney	Legal Counsel, Department of Fire Services
Paul Vigneau	Director, Division of Fire Safety

Monthly Board Meeting

1. Chairman to open the meeting.

Chairman Caputo opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. and asked the members of the Board and staff to introduce themselves for the record.

2. Minutes from the November 1, 2018 meeting submitted for approval.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Scheiner, seconded by Mr. Cox, the Board unanimously voted to amend as proposed and accept the minutes of the August 2, 2018 meeting.

New Business

1. *Staff overview of proposed amendment package for 527 CMR 1.00 Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code*

Old Business

1. *Committee/ Reports*

- a. *Administrative Code Committee*

- b. *General Requirements Code Committee*

- (1) *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*

- (1) *Two communications from Frederic P. Hartwell, President of Hartwell Electrical Services, Inc. regarding the Board of Electricians' case BEA-18-00006-AP Appeals*

- i. *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.*

- ii. *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?*

- (2) *Communication from the Executive Director Board of State Electrical Examiners requesting no action on Mr. Hartwell's communication until pending litigation is resolved.*

Mr. Vigneau stated there was no news as the Electrical code was meeting 1/10/19 as well.

2. *Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair*

John Clancy announced his retirement will be in February.

A motion was made by Mr. Scheiner and seconded by Mr. Smith to adjourn the meeting at 1:42 p.m. The board voted unanimously on this motion.

Submitted by: _____

Date: _____

4/11/19