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Per Governor Charles D. Baker's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, s.20 signed and dated March 12, 2020, the December 3, 2020 meeting of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations will be conducted, and open to the public, via WebEx Meeting Number: 126 304 6337 Password: DFS2020 beginning at 1:00 p.m.

The following Board members were present on the WebEx:

Richard Arruda	Chief, Dartmouth Fire District 3
Anthony Caputo	Registered Professional Fire Protection Engineer
Jeffrey Cox	Registered Professional Electrical Engineer
John D. Cox	Registered Professional Chemical Engineer
Larry S. Fisher	Electrical Contractor
Alfonso Ibarreta	Registered Professional Mechanical Engineer
Robert MacKendrick	FPAM Representative
Paul C. Scheiner	Chemist
Kenneth A. Smith	Blasting Association Member
Michael Hazel	Chief, Tewksbury Fire Department
William LaLiberty	Representing Communities of 50,000 or more
Peter Ostroskey	State Fire Marshal

The following Board members were absent from this WebEx:

Brian Tully	Designee of the Boston Fire Commissioner
William Laidler	Hanover Wiring Inspector

DFS/BFPR staffing present on this WebEx:

Glenn Rooney	Legal, DFS
Jennifer Hoyt	Division of Fire Safety
Mary Ann Smith	Division of Fire Safety
Paul Vigneau	Director, Division of Fire Safety
Matt Murray	Division of Fire Safety

Christina Rodriguez
Kristen McDonough

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Also present were the following interested individuals (and their affiliations):

Wendy Gifford	Consultant, Codes, Standards, Regulatory and Industry Affairs for Google Nest
Richard Roberts	Honeywell
Mari Cooney	Executive Director, Board of State Electrical Examiners
John Correia	BRK
Jack Lyon	MECA
Harold Cutler	Fire Protection Engineering Consultant
Peter Diamond	Wiring Inspector Norfolk, MA

Open Monthly Board Meeting

1. Member Introductions

Mr. Vigneau opened the board meeting at 1:03 p.m. and conducted a roll call of members staff and guests present.

2. Minutes from the September 3, 2020 meeting submitted for approval.

Motion to approve Paul Scheiner, seconded by Jon Cox, the board unanimously voted to accept the minutes from September 3, 2020 BFPR Meeting.

3. Minutes from the October 1, 2020 Public Hearing regarding Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Prevention Code, 527 CMR 1.00

Motion to approve Alfonso Ibarreta, seconded by Jon Cox, the board unanimously voted to accept the minutes from October 1, 2020 Public Hearing.

New Business

1. Request for interpretation relative to 527 CMR 12.00 article 230.85 as received from Brendan Driscoll

Motion to approve by Jeff Cox, seconded by Larry Fisher, the board unanimously voted to accept response for interpretation.

2. Request for interpretation relative to 527 CMR 12.00 article 700.10 as received from Chuck Mace

Motion to approve by Jeff Cox, seconded by Larry Fisher, the board unanimously voted to accept response for interpretation.

3. Request for interpretation relative to 527 CMR 12.00 article 210.63A as received from Bob Costa

Motion to approve by Jeff Cox, seconded by Larry Fisher, the board unanimously voted to accept response for interpretation.

4. Minutes from the Electrical Interpretation Committee meeting of November 24, 2020 and proposed response to Requests for Interpretation **(to be added following meeting)**

Motion to approve by Larry Fisher, seconded by Paul Scheiner, the board unanimously voted to accept the minutes from November 24, 2020.

5. Discussion and potential vote on recommendations from the Massachusetts Electrical Advisory Committee meeting of November 24, 2020

No action taken.

6. Notice of Correction – 527 CMR 1.00 – MA Fire Code Glenn Rooney submitted technical Corrections. **(no board action)**

No action taken.

7. Discussion of implementations of the updates to UL 217 and UL 268 on June 1st, 2020. None of the formerly UL Listed smokes could meet the new requirements. So all smokes tested on/after June 1st will be new devices (at least the sensor part).

Motion to bring this to the General Requirements subcommittee for further review motioned by Peter Ostroskey, seconded by Larry Fisher.

8. Board of State Electrical Examiners Advisory regarding electrical installations completed without required permits and inspections dated October 26, 2020.

No action taken.

9. Staff update on 2018 Code Review

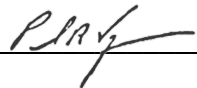
No action taken.

Old Business

1. Committee/ Reports
 - a. Administrative Code Committee (No Meetings)
 - b. General Requirements Code Committee (Scheduled to Meet December 3, 2020)
 - c. Occupancy Code Committee (No Meetings)
 - d. Processing Code Committee (No Meetings)
 - e. Equipment Code Committee (No Meetings)
 - f. Hazardous Code Committee (No Meetings)
 - g. Electrical Code Committee (Refer to #1 - #2 in New Business)
2. Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

- a. Anthony Caputo would like to recognize two individuals that are going to retire: Chief LaLiberty and Chief Hazel. Thank you for your time and effort.

A motion was made by Peter Ostroskey, seconded by Larry Fisher, to adjourn the meeting at 2:03 p.m. The Board voted unanimously on this motion.

Submitted by:  **Date:** 1/21/2021