

**BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
January 21, 2021**

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 Thursday, January 21, 2021 meeting of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations will be conducted, and open to the public, via WebEx Meeting Number: 126 703 8024 Password: DFS2021 beginning at 1:00 p.m.

The following Board members were present:

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
William LaLiberty	Representing Communities of 50,000 or more
Robert MacKendrick	FPAM Representative
Paul C. Scheiner	Chemist
Kenneth A. Smith	Blasting Association Member

DFS/BFPR staffing present on this teleconference:

Jennifer Hoyt	Division of Fire Safety
Kristen McDonough	Division of Fire Safety
Christina Rodriguez	Division of Fire Safety
Paul Vigneau	Director, Division of Fire Safety

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

Bob Duval	NFPA
Patty Sheehan	Building Inspector, Town of Shrewsbury
Wendy Gifford	Consultant, Codes, Standards, Regulatory and Industry Affairs for Google Nest

Open Monthly Board Meeting

1. Member Introductions

Mr. Vigneau opened the board meeting at 1:00 p.m. and conducted a roll call of members, staff and guests present.

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

Motion to approve made by Richard Arruda, seconded by Paul Scheiner, all in favor.
Motion carries.

3. Letter from Lincoln Barber III, Millville Building Commissioner, received January 12, 2021 relative to energy storage systems.

Motion to stand up a work group to review Energy Storage Systems made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Richard Arruda. All in favor. Motion Carries.

Old Business

1. *Committee/ Reports*
2. Administrative Code Committee (No Meetings)
3. General Requirements Code Committee (**December 9, 2020**) (**December 16, 2020**)

Motion to accept minutes from the December 9, 2020, General Code Committee Meeting motioned by Richard Arruda, Seconded by Jeff Cox. All in favor. Motion Carries.

4. Occupancy Code Committee (**January 5, 2021**) (**January 11, 2021**)

Motion to accept minutes from the January 5, 2021, Occupancy Code Committee Meeting motioned by Larry Fisher, Seconded by Alfonso Ibarreta. All in favor. Motion Carries.

Motion to setup Boatyard Work Group within the Occupancy Committee motioned by Larry Fisher, Seconded by Alfonso Ibarreta. All in favor. Motion Carries.

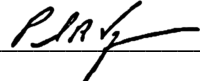
5. Processing Code Committee (**January 22, 2021**)
6. Equipment Code Committee (**TBS**)
7. Hazardous Code Committee (No Meetings)
8. Electrical Code Committee (**RFI, January 21, 2021**)

Motion made to authorize the Interpretations Committee to send the response for interpretation motioned by Robert Mackendrick, seconded by John Cox. All in favor. Motion carries.

9. *Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair*

Recommendation to cancel the BFPR meeting scheduled for February, 2021. Next meeting will take place in March.

A motion was made by Mr. Scheiner, seconded by Larry Fisher, to adjourn the meeting at 1:47 p.m. The Board voted unanimously on this motion.

Submitted by:  Date: 4/1/2021