

**BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
April 1, 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, April 1, 2021 meeting of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations will be conducted, and open to the public, via WebEx Meeting Number: 182 982 3423 Password: DFS2021 beginning at 1:00 p.m.

The following Board members were present:

Peter Ostroskey	State Fire Marshal
Richard Arruda	Dartmouth District 3 Fire Chief
Anthony Caputo	Registered Professional Fire Protection Engineer
Jeffrey Cox	Registered Professional Electrical 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

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
Jake Nunnermacher	Division of Fire Safety
John Wood	Division of Fire Safety
Glenn Rooney	Legal, Department of Fire Services

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

Bob Duval	NFPA
Tim Choate	Sudbury
Fred Freeman	Hanover
Keith Flanders	Cosentini
John Correia	Holbrook Associated
Chris Towski	Cambridge Fire

Open Monthly Board Meeting

1. Member Introductions

Mr. Vigneau opened the board meeting at 1:11 p.m. and conducted a roll call of members, staff and guests present.

2. *Minutes from the January 21, 2021 meeting submitted for approval.*

Motion to approve made by Jeff Cox, seconded by Alfonso Ibarreta, all in favor. Motion carries.

3. Staff update on 2018 Code Review

4. Letter from Assistant Fire Chief Timothy Choate, Town of Sudbury, received February 9, 2021 and forwarded to the Equipment Code Committee relative to stationary storage battery systems.

5. Request for Interpretation of 527 CMR 12.00, Article 210.12 ABCD received on March 16, 2021 from Bob Costa and forwarded to the Electrical Interpretation Committee.

Request for Interpretation of 527 CMR 12.00, Article 500.1, Article 500.5 (B)(1) received on March 17, 2021 from Jeff Perras Code Red Consultants and forwarded to the Electrical Interpretation Committee.

Motion to approve RFI 210.12 made by Larry Fisher, seconded by Peter Ostroskey. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion to approve RFI 500.1 and 500 (B)(1) made by Larry Fisher, seconded by Paul Scheiner. All in favor, motion carries.

6. BFPR Chair appointment for the Massachusetts Electrical Advisory Committee

Anthony Caputo has suggested two candidates for the Electrical Advisory Committee, Jeff Cox and Larry Fisher. There will be further discussion between the Chair and candidates.

Old Business


1. Committee/ Reports

- a. Administrative Code Committee (No Meetings)
- b. General Requirements Code Committee (No Meetings)
- c. Occupancy Code Committee (No Meetings)
- d. Processing Code Committee (**Minutes attached for January 22, 2021 meeting**)
- e. Equipment Code Committee (**Minutes attached for February 5, 2021, February 25, 2021 meetings**)
- f. Hazardous Code Committee (**Minutes attached for March 16, 2021 meeting**)
- g. Electrical Code Committee (**RFI responses anticipated from March 31, 2021 meeting**)
- h. Boatyard Work Group (**Minutes attached for February 5, 2021, March 4, 2021, March 24, 2021 meetings**)
- i. Energy Storage Work Group (**Minutes attached for March 11, 2021, March 25, 2021 meetings**)

Motion made to accept minutes as provided made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Peter Ostroskey. All in favor. Motion Carries.

1. *Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair*

Motion to adjourn made by Paul Scheiner at 1:57, seconded by Bob Mackendrick. The Board voted unanimously on this motion.

Submitted by:  Date: 5/6/2021