# BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING July 1, 2021

Per Governor Charles D. Baker's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, M.G.L. c. 30A, s.20 signed and dated March 12, 2020, notice is hereby given for a meeting of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations via WebEx scheduled for Thursday, July 1, 2021 at 1:00 P.M.

WebEx Meeting Number: 182 982 3423 Password: DFS2021

The following Board members were present:

Peter Ostroskey State Fire Marshal

Jeffrey Cox Registered Professional Electrical Engineer John D. Cox Registered Professional Chemical Engineer

Larry S. Fisher Electrical Contractor
Alfonso Ibarreta Mechanical Engineer
Paul Kennedy Wiring Inspector
Robert MacKendrick FPAM Representative

Paul C. Scheiner Chemist

Kenneth A. Smith

Anthony Caputo

Carrie Noseworthy

Blasting Association Member

Fire Protection Engineer

Representative of the Public

Joseph Shea Representative of the Boston Fire Commissioner

DFS Staffing were present:

Glenn Rooney Legal Counsel, Department of Fire Services

Paul Vigneau Division of Fire Safety
Kristen McDonough Division of Fire Safety
Jennifer Hoyt Division of Fire Safety
David Clemons Division of Fire Safety

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

John Corriea Holbrook Reps for New England

# **Open Monthly Board Meeting**

Member Introductions

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

#### **New Business**

1. Minutes from the May 6, 2021 meeting submitted for approval.

Motion to approve made by Dr. Scheiner, seconded by Alfonso Ibarreta, the board unanimously voted to accept the minutes, motion carries.

2. Glenn Rooney from legal to review the Updated Open Meeting Law Guidance Document

No Action

3. Staff update from the 2018 Code Review

No Action

4. Review of BFPR & Subcommittee members:

#### **BFPR** Membership

- Carrie Noseworthy has been appointed as the representative of the public.
- Paul Kennedy has been appointed as the inspector of wires from a city or town.
- Brian Tully has been replaced by Joseph Shea as the Boston Fire Commissioner's representative.

The BFPR Code Committee membership lists were reviewed and the following changes were made:

## **Administration Code Subcommittee Membership**

Remove:

Gary Keith

Add:

Carrie Noseworthy Alfonso Ibarreta

#### **General Requirements Subcommittee Membership**

Remove:

**Brian Tully** 

Add:

Joseph Shea Paul Kennedy

### **Occupancy Code Subcommittee Membership**

Add:

Carrie Noseworthy

#### **Processes Code Subcommittee Membership**

Remove:

Michael Hazel

Add:

Alfonso Ibarreta

Request for FPAM nomination pending

# **Equipment Code Subcommittee Membership**

Remove:

Alfonso Ibaretta

Add:

Paul Kennedy

### **Electrical Interpretation Subcommittee Membership**

Remove:

William Laidler

Add:

Paul Kennedy

### **Electrical Advisory Subcommittee Membership**

Larry Fisher selected as Chair to the Massachusetts Electrical Advisory Committee

### **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 (No Meetings)
  - e. Equipment Code Committee (No Meetings)
  - f. Hazardous Code Committee (No Meetings)
  - g. Electrical Code Committee (RFI responses anticipated from June 30, 2021 meeting)

Request for interpretation of 527 CMR 12.00 Surge protector for standby generator received on June 22, 2021 from Nick McElroy and forwarded to the Electrical Interpretation Committee.

Motion to approve motioned by Larry Fisher, Seconded by Bob Mackendrick, motion carries.

Request for interpretation of 527 CMR 12.00 article 513 received on June 14, 2021 from William Sinclair and forwarded to the Electrical Interpretation Committee.

Motion to approve motioned by Larry Fisher, Seconded by Ken Smith, motion carries.

Request for interpretation of 527 CMR 12.00 article 334.10 received on June 24, 2021 from Anthony Lampasona and forwarded to the Electrical Interpretation Committee.

Motion to approve motioned by Larry Fisher, Seconded by Paul Scheiner, motion carries.

- h. Boatyard Work Group (Minutes attached for May 27, 2021, June 17, 2021 meetings)
- i. Energy Storage Work Group (Minutes attached for May 19, 2021, May 26, 2021 meetings)

# 2. Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

A motion was made by Ken Smith, seconded by Paul Kennedy, to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 p.m. The Board voted unanimously on this motion.

Submitted by: Play Date: October 7, 2021