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BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

May 2, 2024 1:00 p.m.

Boards & Commissions Room, DFS, 1 State Rd, Stow, MA 01775

The following Board Members were present:

Larry Fisher
Jon Davine
Chief Arruda

John Correia
John Cox
Alfonso Ibarreta
Keith Pogarian
Patrick Ellis
Paul Scheiner, Ph. D.
Kenneth Smith
Paul Kennedy
Patty Sheehan
Johnathan M. Eisenberg, P.E.

Chair, BFPR
State Fire Marshal
Fire Chief from a community with a population of
less than 25,000
Member of the Public
Chemical Engineer
Registered Professional Mechanical Engineer
Registered Professional Electrical Engineer
Boston Fire Department Commissioner (Designee)
Graduate Fire Chemist
Blasting Association Member
Inspector of Wires
Building Official
Registered Professional Fire Protection Engineer

The following Board Members were absent:

Edward Williams
Chief Joseph Jackson

Chief Michael Newbury

FPAM Representative
Fire Chief from a community with a population of
more than 50,000
Fire Chief from a community with a population of
25,000 to 50,000

DFS Staffing were present:

Matt Murray
Mary Ann Smith
Brian Ingram
Glenn Rooney

Code Compliance Officer, Supervisor
Code Administrator, Fire Safety Division
Director, Division of Fire Safety
General Counsel

Guests were present:

Jen Hoyt
Janna Serafim
Gary Keith
Peter Senopoalous
Paul Vigneau
Peter Ostrosky
Sam Pillbury
Jon Jones

Statutory Public Hearing

1. Meeting was opened at 1:10 p.m. by Larry Fisher, Chair.
2. Introductions, Mary Ann Smith called upon BFPR Members and DFS Staff to introduce themselves for the record.
3. Mary Ann Smith, DFS stated that no submission where received by staff.
4. Chair Fisher asked if there were any individuals with comments. Hearing none the Board decided to leave the Statutory Public Hearing open until the end of the BFPR meeting.

Monthly Board Meeting

1. Minutes from the April 4, 2024 meeting of BFPR submitted for approval.

Motion to approve the April 4, 2024, meeting minutes made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Paul Kennedy. All in favor. Motion Carries.

New Business

2. Staff requested that the Code Change Proposals review be tabled until next meeting when the Committee's have finished their reviews.
3. Glenn Rooney informed the Board that the promulgation process with this administration has taken longer. Some codes have been in review for close to 1 year.

Old Business

Committee/ Reports

1. *Administrative Code Committee*

Motion to accept minutes from January 24, 2024 made by Paul Kennedy, seconded by Richard Arruda. All in favor. Motion Carries.

Motion to accept minutes from March 25, 2024 made by Paul Kennedy, seconded by Richard Arruda. All in favor. Motion Carries.

2. *General Requirements Code Committee*

No Action

3. *Occupancy Code Committee*

No Action

4. *Processing Code Committee*

Motion to accept minutes from March 19, 2024 made by John Cox, seconded by Jon Eisenberg. All in favor. Motion Carries.

5. *Equipment Code Committee*

Minutes from February 20, 2024 were tabled until the next meeting. **No Action**

6. *Hazardous Code Committee*

Motion to accept minutes from July 14, 2022 made by Jon Eisenberg, seconded by Ken Smith. All in favor. Motion Carries.

7. *Electrical Code Committee*

No Action

8. *Massachusetts Electrical Advisory Committee*

No Action

9. *BFPR/BSEE Work Group*

No Action

10. *Flame Effects Work Group*

No Action

11. *Ammunitions Table Work Group*

No Action

Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

Statutory Public Hearing adjourned. Motioned by Paul Kennedy, seconded by Ken Smith. All in favor. Motion Carries. Hearing adjourned 1:32 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Paul Kennedy. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting ended at 1:32 p.m.

Approved: Larry S. Fisher Date: 6/6/24