

**BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS**  
**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**  
**March 3, 2022**

Date: Thursday, March 3, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Place: Department of Fire Services Stow, MA

Join by phone: 1-415-655-0001

Webex Meeting Number/Access code: 182 982 3423

[Meeting Link](#)

The following Board members were present:

Alfonso Ibarreta	Registered Professional Mechanical Engineer
Jeffrey Cox	Registered Professional Electrical Engineer
John D. Cox	Registered Professional Chemical Engineer
Paul Kennedy	Wiring Inspector
Richard Arruda	Representing Communities Under 25,000
Paul C. Scheiner	Chemist
Kenneth A. Smith	Blasting Association Member
Anthony Caputo	Fire Protection Engineer
Patricia Sheehan	Inspector of Buildings
Edward Williams	Chief of Inspections

DFS Staffing were present:

Maribel Fournier	Deputy State Fire Marshal
Glenn Rooney	Legal Counsel, Department of Fire Services
Paul Vigneau	Division of Fire Safety
Jennifer Hoyt	Division of Fire Safety
David Clemons	Division of Fire Safety
Mary Ann Smith	Division of Fire Safety
Christina Rodriguez	Division of Fire Safety
John Wood	Division of Fire Safety

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

Wendy Gifford	Google
Keith Flanders	Cosentini
John Correia	Holbrook Associated

**Open Monthly Board Meeting**

**New Business**

1. Member Introductions

- a. Chairman Caputo opened the board meeting at 1:05 p.m. and asked board members and staff to introduce themselves for the record.
2. Minutes from the October 7, 2021 meeting submitted for approval.  
**Motion to approve made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by John Cox, the board unanimously voted to accept the minutes, Ed Williams and Patricia Sheehan Abstained, Motion Carries.**
3. Staff update on 2021 Code Review
4. Request for Interpretation of 527 CMR 12.00, Article 334.15 & 334.17 received on December 21, 2021 from Alexander Bielunis and forwarded to the Electrical Interpretation Committee.  
**Motion to approve made be Paul Kennedy, seconded by John Cox. Motion Carries.**
5. Request for Interpretation of 527 CMR 12.00, Article 90.6 received on February 4, 2022 from Steve Connolly and forwarded to the Electrical Interpretation Committee.  
**Motion to approve with revisions made by Paul Kennedy, Seconded by Jeff Cox. Motion Carries.**
6. Request for Interpretation of 527 CMR 12.00, Article 702, 702 (4)(B)(2), 710.15(A), 706.20(C)(1) received on February 7, 2022 from Charles Flynn and forwarded to the Electrical Interpretation Committee.  
**Motion to approve with revisions made by Paul Kennedy, Seconded by Jeff Cox. Motion Carries.**
7. Code Change Proposals:
  - a. Code Change Proposal 18.1.1.3 as received from Richard Arruda. Was forwarded to General Requirements Committee for review.
  - b. Code Change Proposal 42.7.4.5(1)(c) as received from Matt Murray. Was forwarded to Processing Committee for review.
  - c. Code Change Proposal 65.2.8.5.1 as received from Matt Murray. Was forwarded to Hazardous Committee for review.
  - d. Code Change Proposal 65.2.8.6 as received from Matt Murray. Was forwarded to Hazardous Committee for review.
  - e. Code Change Proposal 11.12 as received from Chris Towski. Was forwarded to General Requirements Committee for review.
  - f. Code Change Proposal 13.1.5 as received from Thomas Bull. Was forwarded to General Requirements Committee for review.
  - g. Code Change Proposal 13.3.3 as received from Thomas Bull. Was forwarded to General Requirements Committee for review.
  - h. Code Change Proposal 16 Safeguarding Construction Alteration and Demolition as received from Chris Towski. Was forwarded to General Requirements Committee for review.
  - i. Code Change Proposal 29 Parking Garages as received from Chris Towski. Was forwarded to Occupancy Committee for review.
  - j. Code Change Proposal 42.7.4.5(1)(j) as received from Thomas Bull. Was forwarded to Processing Committee for review.
  - k. Code Change Proposal Table 1.12.8.50 as received from Matt Murray. Was forwarded to Administrative Committee for review.

### **Old Business**

1. Committee/ Reports
2. Administrative Code Committee (No Meetings)
3. General Requirements Code Committee
  - a. Minutes October 28, 2021  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Richard Arruda, seconded by Paul Scheiner. Motion Carries.**
  - b. Minutes November 5, 2021  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Richard Arruda, seconded by Paul Scheiner. Motion Carries.**
  - c. Minutes November 19, 2021  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Richard Arruda. Motion Carries.**
  - d. Minutes December 2, 2021  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Richard Arruda. Motion Carries.**
  - e. Minutes December 16, 2021  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Richard Arruda. Motion Carries.**
  - f. Minutes January 13, 2022  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Richard Arruda. Motion Carries.**
  - g. Minutes January 28, 2022)  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Paul Scheiner, seconded by Richard Arruda. Motion Carries.**
4. Occupancy Code Committee
  - a. Minutes December 9, 2021  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Paul Scheiner seconded by Alfonso Ibarreta. Motion Carries.**
  - b. Minutes January 6, 2022  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Ed Williams, seconded by Paul Scheiner. Motion Carries.**
  - c. Minutes January 27, 2022)  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Ed Williams, seconded by Paul Kennedy. Motion Carries.**
5. Processing Code Committee (No Meetings)
6. Equipment Code Committee (No Meetings )
7. Hazardous Code Committee (No Meetings)
8. Electrical Code Committee
  - a. RFIs
  - b. Minutes February 1, 2022  
**Motion to review code change proposal made by Ed Williams, seconded by Paul Scheiner. Motion Carries.**


c. Minutes March 1, 2022

**Motion to review code change proposal made by Ed Williams, seconded by Alfonso Ibarreta. Motion Carries.**

9. Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

- a. Board Member contact information to be sent out to committee members.
- b. Carrie Noseworthy has resigned from the BFPR.

A motion was made by Paul Scheiner, to adjourn the meeting at 1:53 p.m, seconded by Ed Williams. The Board voted unanimously on this motion.

Submitted by:  Date: 5/5/22