**BOARD OF BUILDING REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS**

**Public Minutes**

**Sept 22, 2022 @ 10 a.m. until approximately 2 p.m.**

**Virtual Meeting**

It is anticipated that the topics shown below will be discussed at the aforementioned meeting:

**AGENDA**

**Roll Call, by BBRS Chair:**

David Riquinha  present  absent

Lisa Davey  present  absent

Michael McDowell  present  absent

John Couture  present  absent

Steve Frederickson  present  absent Kent Vinson  present  absent Darien Crimmin  present  absent

Tarica Leskiw  present  absent

Betsy Pettit  present  absent

Atiya Rahim  present  absent

Sy Nguyen  present  absent

Layla D’Emilia, or designee  present  absent

Peter Ostroskey, or designee  present  absent Patrick Woodcock,or designee  present  absent

Vice Chair Lisa Davey served as Chair this meeting as Chair David Riquinha was not in attendance.

**Regular Meeting Agenda**

1. **Review \Vote** Proposed amended language for laboratories in Chapter 4 submitted by BFPR.

This item was taken out of order to accommodate the schedules of those in attendance. While there was an attempt to complete the task quickly, the BFPR did not have an updated document for the board’s review. Jennifer Hoyt made a **Motion** to table the proposal for review on the October 11, 2022, meeting. Kent Vinson **Seconded** the motion. A **Roll Call** vote was made where Lisa Davey voted **YES**, Michael McDowell voted **YES**, Steve Fredrickson voted **YES**, Kent Vinson voted **YES**, Tarica Leskiw voted **YES**, Atiya Rahim voted **YES**, Sy Nguyen voted **YES**, Richard Baldacci voted **YES**, Ian Finlayson voted **YES**, and Jennifer Hoyt voted **YES**. The motion passed **Unanimously.**

1. **Review \Vote** Proposed amended language for Chapter 9 submitted by FPFP

This item was taken out of order to accommodate the schedules of those in attendance. Michael Roescher presented the changes made to the Chapter 9 table. He notified the Board that the document presented to the board incorporated all intended edits made by the FPFP during their meeting per the scope of the task sent to FPFP. Michael McDowell made a **Motion** to accept the table as proposed with the clarification that the part of table in blue should be the 9th edition language, note C to state the number 300, not 100, and to use a pinpoint citation in Note J, which referenced 527 CMR 1.00. Tarica Leskiw **Seconded** the motion. A **Roll Call** vote was made where Lisa Davey voted **YES**, Michael McDowell voted **YES**, Steve Fredrickson voted **YES**, Kent Vinson voted **NO**, Tarica Leskiw voted **YES**, Atiya Rahim voted **YES**, Sy Nguyen voted **YES**, Richard Baldacci voted **YES**, Ian Finlayson voted **YES**, and Jennifer Hoyt voted **NO**. The motion **PASSED** 8-2.

1. **Review \Vote** Proposed amended language for Chapter 31 submitted by DOER

This item was taken out of order to accommodate the schedules of those in attendance. A discussion was had regarding Section 3111 of Chapter 31 and whether DOER wished to propose an amendment. Ian Finlayson clarified that the agency had an initial interest in proposing amendments for 3111, however they do not have any proposals for the Section at this time. There is a potential to adjust Section R324 regarding solar rooftop access, but as this topic was not put on the agenda there would not be a discussion about it at this time. To complete Chapter 31, Michael McDowell made a **Motion** to accept Chapter 31 as last voted on including leaving 3111 as is. Richard Baldacci **Seconded** the motion. A **Roll Call** vote was made where Lisa Davey voted **YES**, Michael McDowell voted **YES**, Steve Fredrickson voted **YES**, Kent Vinson voted **NO**, Tarica Leskiw voted **YES**, Atiya Rahim voted **YES**, Sy Nguyen voted **YES**, Richard Baldacci voted **YES**, Ian Finlayson voted **YES**, and Jennifer Hoyt voted **NO**. The motion **PASSED** 8-2.

1. **Review \Vote** Proposed amended language for Chapter 1 (not including Section 101.4.5) by staff.

This item was taken out of order to accommodate the schedules of those in attendance. Board Counsel Charles Kilb provided a line-by-line review of the proposed amendments to chapter 1 which staff drafted based on historical BBRS feedback. Members requested the residential code, if not considered an exception to the base code, be given its own section to show that it was separate and distinct from the base code. The members also changed language to clarify a permit is not required for "repair of any component or components of a fire protection system, where such does not affect system performance and compatibility" but removed language excluding replacements. A few areas were highlighted for DOER review, Ian Finlayson provided language which was inserted into the chapter in real time. Counsel noted that, as drafted, Chapter 1 would prohibit local inspectors from issuing certificates of occupancy. By unanimous consent, the members indicated that local inspectors should be allowed to issue certificates of occupancy, thus the language will be corrected.

After his review of the entire document, Ian Finlayson made a **Motion** to accept Chapter 1 as presented with the amendments as discussed. Richard Baldacci **Seconded** the motion. A **Roll Call** vote was made where Lisa Davey voted **YES**, Michael McDowell voted **YES**, Steve Fredrickson voted **YES**, Kent Vinson voted **NO**, Tarica Leskiw voted **YES**, Atiya Rahim voted **YES**, Sy Nguyen voted **YES**, Richard Baldacci voted **YES**, Ian Finlayson voted **YES**, and Jennifer Hoyt voted **NO**. The motion **Passed** 8 to 2.

1. **Discuss** other matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting

No matters were brought to the boards attention that were not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 PM

*Documents Used During Meeting*

Proposed amendments for Chapter 9 submitted by FPFP

Proposed amendments for Chapter 1 submitted by staff

Chapter 31 language