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Meeting Minutes

STATE BOARD OF BUILDING REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS
BUILDING OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday May 2, 2023 @ 8:30 a.m.

University of Massachusetts
Maple Avenue Campus
222 Maple Avenue
Shrewsbury, MA 01545

Vice Chair Jeffrey Clemons called the meeting to order at 8:59 am and called roll:

Committee Members Present: Jeffrey Clemons, Vice-Chair BOWM; David Fuller, MBCIA; Michael Clancy, SEMBOA; Henry Fontaine, MetroWest; John Naff, Member At Large; Michael Giampietro, Member at Large; Andrew Bobola, Member at Large

Committee Members Absent: Bonnie Weeks, Member at Large; Jennifer DeForge, Member of Academia

DOL Staff Present: Richard Baldacci, Charles Kilb, Dan Walsh, Beth English, Martin Edwards, and Amie Lindenboim

1. Members present reviewed the minutes from the last meeting on March 7, 2023; MOTION to approve these minutes was made by David Fuller, seconded by Henry Fontaine.
2. On MOTION by Andrew Bobola seconded by Michael Giampietro, it was unanimously VOTED that Jeffrey Clemons will now serve as Chair of the Committee. This follows the resignation of Chair Bill Horrocks. The Committee Members thanked Bill Horrocks for his service.
3. **Application for Certification Packets**
 - a. On a MOTION by Michael Clancy and seconded by David Fuller it was unanimously VOTED to approve the application of **Richard Pereira** (BO-2313, Town of Barnstable) for certification in the capacity of **Local Inspector**, having met the minimum qualifications of the position as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.



- b. On a MOTION by Michael Clancy and seconded by Andrew Bobola it was unanimously VOTED to approve the application of **Timothy Travers** (BO-2333, no affiliation) for certification in the capacity of **Inspector of Buildings / Building Commissioner**, having met the minimum qualifications of the position as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.

4. Examination Approval Packets

- a. On a MOTION by Michael Clancy seconded by Dave Fuller it was unanimously VOTED to DENY the request of **Mark Augello** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The Committee was unable to find sufficient supervisory experience in building construction or design in Mark Augello's résumé to determine if they have the minimum qualifications as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.
- b. On a MOTION by Michael Giampietro seconded by Henry Fontaine it was unanimously VOTED to grant the request of **Daniel Correia** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The applicant meets the minimum qualifications set by the BBRS for said position of local inspector of buildings / building commissioner as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3 and was granted permission to proceed with the required examination process.
- c. On a MOTION by John Naff seconded by Michael Giampietro it was unanimously VOTED to DENY the request of **Peter D'Agostino** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The Committee was unable to find sufficient supervisory experience in building construction or design in the applicant's résumé to determine that they have the minimum qualifications as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.
- d. On a MOTION by David Fuller seconded by John Naff it was unanimously VOTED to DENY the request of **Dolores Dibrinisi** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The Committee was unable to find sufficient supervisory experience in building construction or design in the applicant's résumé to determine that they have the minimum qualifications as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.
- e. On a MOTION by David Fuller seconded by Michael Clancy it was unanimously VOTED to grant the request of **Sangmok Kim** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The applicant meets the minimum qualifications set by the BBRS for said position of local inspector of buildings / building commissioner as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3 and was granted permission to proceed with the required examination process.
- f. On a MOTION by John Naff seconded by Henry Fontaine it was unanimously VOTED to DENY the request of **Joseph Lynskey** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The Committee was unable to find sufficient supervisory experience in building construction or design in the applicant's résumé to determine that they have the minimum qualifications as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.
- g. On a MOTION by John Naff seconded by Michael Clancy it was unanimously VOTED to DENY the request of **Theodore Pontz** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The Committee was unable to find sufficient supervisory experience in building construction or design in the applicant's résumé to determine that they have the minimum qualifications as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.

- h. On a MOTION by David Fuller seconded by John Naff it was unanimously VOTED to grant the request of **Gregory Salamida** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The applicant meets the minimum qualifications set by the BBRS for said position of local inspector of buildings / building commissioner as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3 and was granted permission to proceed with the required examination process.
- i. On a MOTION by David Fuller seconded by John Naff it was unanimously VOTED to DENY the request of **Dave Scott** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The Committee was unable to find sufficient supervisory experience in building construction or design in the applicant's résumé to determine that they have the minimum qualifications as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.
- j. On a MOTION by John Naff seconded by Henry Fontaine it was unanimously VOTED to DENY the request of **Michael J. Wallace** (no affiliation) for approval to take the required exams to become certified as a building code enforcement official. The Committee was unable to find sufficient supervisory experience in building construction or design in the applicant's résumé to determine that they have the minimum qualifications as defined by MGL c. 143 § 3.

5. New Employee Reports

- a. On a MOTION by Jeffrey Nash seconded by David Fuller it was VOTED to acknowledge the New Employee Report Form of **Carl Bizarro** appointed to the position of Building Commissioner for the Town of Freetown on January 1, 2023. Andrew Bobola abstained. *NERF signed by Chair.*
- b. On a MOTION by Michael Giampietro seconded by Jeffrey Nash it was unanimously VOTED to acknowledge the New Employee Report Form of **Joseph Fitzpatrick** appointed to the position of Local Inspector for the Town of Uxbridge on August 8, 2022.
- c. On a MOTION by David Fuller seconded by Michael Clancy it was unanimously VOTED to acknowledge the New Employee Report Form of **Gregory Salamida** appointed to the position of Local Inspector for the Town of Salem on March 13, 2023.
- d. On a MOTION by Andrew Bobola seconded by John Naff it was unanimously VOTED to acknowledge the New Employee Report Form of **George Shaw** appointed to the position of Local Inspector for the City of Holyoke on March 20, 2023.
- e. On a MOTION by John Naff seconded by Henry Fontaine it was unanimously VOTED to acknowledge the New Employee Report Form of **Joseph Tierney, Jr.** appointed to the position of Building Commissioner for the Town of Chilmark on February 21, 2023.
- f. On a MOTION by John Naff seconded by David Fuller it was unanimously VOTED to DENY acknowledge the New Employee Report Form of **Michael J. Wallace** appointed to the position of Local Inspector for the Town of Ayer on November 15, 2022. The Board has DENIED Michael J. Wallace authorization to take the relevant certifying examination based on lack of required experience. It was also noted that Town did not provide the NERF for Mr. Wallace until 7 months after Mr. Wallace was appointed to the position, a violation of 780 CMR 110.R7.1.7.4. On these facts, the Town is prohibited under MGL c. 143 § 3 and 780 CMR 110.R7.4.1.7 from allowing Mr. Wallace to act in the capacity of Local Inspector.

6. Extension Requests

R7.1.7.4-5 a conditional appointee may petition the Building Official Certification Committee (BOCC) using the Extension Request form for an extension of time to comply with the examination schedule of R7. Upon establishment of cause, the BOCC may grant such an extension of time as it may consider appropriate.

- a) On a MOTION by Michael Clancy and seconded by Andrew Bobola it was unanimously VOTED to grant the request of **Jeffrey Gougeon** (Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program (FCCIP) / Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG)) for a first extension of time (6 months) to become certified as a Local Inspector. Said extension shall expire November 2, 2023.
- b) On a MOTION by David Fuller and seconded by Andrew Bobola it was unanimously VOTED to grant the request of **Edward Murray** (Town of Brookline) for a first extension of time (6 months) to become certified as a Local Inspector. Said extension shall expire November 2, 2023.
- c) On a MOTION by Michael Giampietro and seconded by John Naff it was unanimously VOTED to grant the request of **Terrance Quinn** (Town of Falmouth) for a second extension of time (6 months) to become certified as a Local Inspector. Said extension shall expire November 2, 2023.

7. Hearings

- a. BOCC 05-2023 **Slater Panosian** (Town of Belmont) appealed the Committee's 2/7/2023 vote to deny his qualifications for appointment based on lack of construction supervision experience. On MOTION by John Naff and seconded by David Fuller it was unanimously voted to DENY his appeal. Members also took action to make a public records request of the Town of Halifax to determine his activities during his time with the Town.

8. Review Application for Continuing Education

The continuing education submitted was reviewed by members present; motion to approve was made by John Naff seconded by John Naff, courses approved and denied unanimously as follows:

(*) Courses previously approved --Note: Course numbers approved, pending assignment					
Name	Date	Course Description	CEU's	Cat	Course No.
Howes, Dennis	2/8/2023	2022 NEC Disconnecting Means offered by NHBOA	3.0		DENIED
		2020 NEC Updates and NH Amendments	(3.0)		DENIED
Bill Pugliese	3/5/2023	Decorative Beams, Panels, Truss Systems, Mantels, and Column Covers offered by AECDaily	1.0	1	DENIED
	3/5/2023	Fire & Smoke Protection with Life Safety Dampers offered by AECDaily	1.25	1	
	2/28/2023	Introduction to Building Fireproofing Products offered by AECDaily	1.0	1	
	3/1/2023	Architectural Hardware: ADA Compliance, Standards & Codes offered by AECDaily	1.0	1	
	3/1/2023	Plumbing Codes, Standards, and NSF/ANSI/CAN 61 offered by AECDaily	(1.0)		
	3/1/2023	Building Science and Moisture Management offered by AECDaily	1.0	1	
	3/5/2023	Smoke Containment Strategies for Elevator Hoistways and Lobbies offered by AECDaily	1.0	1	

	3/5/2023	International Code Requirements for Reroofing Commercial Building offered by AECDaily	1.0	1	
Paul Nonni	2/8/2023	FEMA P-749 (Part A) Earthquake-Resistant Design Concepts	1.5	1	
	2/15/2023	FEMA P-749 (Part B) Earthquake-Resistant Design Concepts	1.5	1	
Paul Nonni Felix Zemel	2/3-2023	SEAMass Feb-March Surfside, Millennium Tower, and Hyatt Walkway Failure Causes & Prevention	3.0	1	
Robert Garside	2/7/2023	New Building Codes & PH: What Municipalities Need to Know offered by PASSIVhouse	1.0	1	
John Carchedi	3/17/2023	Concrete Inspector Certification Course – MASSDOT employees that supervise construction involving concrete	4.0 5		PARTIALLY GRANTED
Gary Stubbins	2/23/2022	ICC – Leadership Series: Effective Leadership	1.5	1	ICC-
	3/8/2023	Fire Resistant Construction – Two Family and Townhouse 2021 IRC R302 – offered by Building Professional Institute of Texas ICC#33706	6.0	1	
	3/7/2023	IRC Roof & Assemblies Review (Chapters 7-10) Part 2 of 2– offered by Building Professional Institute of Texas ICC# 33704	3.0	1	
	3/1/2023	ICC – Building Science Meets the Energy Code (EduCode Virtual) ICC# 23294	8.0	1	
	3/3/2023	ICC – IRC sites, Soils, Footings, Foundations and Locations on the Lot (EduCODE Virtual) ICC# 30061	8.0	1	
	3/7/2023	Residential Plumbing Inspections offered by Building Professional Institute of Texas ICC#33715	(3.0) 0		DENIED
Bill Footer (PSD)	2023	Energy – 2023 Mass Existing Buildings Additions	1.0	1	C-4121

	2023	Energy – 2023 Mass Existing Buildings Alterations	1.0	1	C-4122
	2023	Energy – 2023 Mass Existing Buildings General	1.0	1	C-4123
Jordi Segales Perez	2/9/2023	Detailing Mass Timber Structures to Minimize Impacts of Differential Movements offered by Wood Works ICC# 34064	1.5	1	
Les Stucka	2/7/2023	Shrinkage and Vertical Movements in Multi-Story Wood-Frame Structures offered by WoodWorks ICC#34063	1.5	1	
Gene Novak	3/6/2023	Energy Storage Systems in Occupied Buildings offered by AFAA New England	2.0	1	
Tony Whitman	3/16/2023	MAT212 Durable Construction with Preservative-Treated Wood by American Wood Council ICC# 35291	1.0	1	
Jeff Morash Aziev Shukhrat	2/21/2023	Key Steps to the Installation of Windows and Doors offered by Shepley and Anderson Windows	2.0	1	
NEHPBA	3/12/2023	Inspecting Hearth Appliances in Existing Construction & Remodels; Inspecting Venting of Hearth Appliances	5.0	1	
MetroWest	3/21/2023	Building Energy Code IECC 2021 with MA amendments Stretch Code Amendments Specialized Code Appendices ICC# 35350	3.0	1	
SEMBOA	3/8/2023	Roundtable with State Inspectors	3.0	1	
District 4	2/22/2023	Development in Residential Solar Electric Systems	2.0	1	
District 8	3/15/2023	Energy Code Chapter 5 with Ian Finlayson	2.0	1	
District 12	3/14/2023	Mech. Fan / Ventilation Regulations	2.5	1	

BOWM	9/22/2022	Roundtable	2.0	1	
	2/15/2023	Accessibility – Scoping and challenges with Code Red	2.0	1	

9. Additional Business / Other matters as not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting

- a. **Investigative Conference** per M.G.L. c. 112, s. 65C - CLOSED SESSION NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - Review of the matter of J.P.
- b. **HEARING:** BOCC 07-2023 Jason Normandin (no affiliation) appealed BOCC's 3/7/23 vote to deny his application to sit for the Local Inspector Exam. Members heard testimony and questioned Mr. Normandin regarding his qualifications. On MOTION by John Naff and seconded by Michael Giampietro the Committee voted to DENY his request, based on insufficient construction supervisor experience.
- c. **The next meeting** of the BOCC will be on June 6, 2023 at the Charlton Public Library, unless the agenda exceeds the time constraints of that location.
- d. On MOTION by John Naff, seconded by Andrew Bobola, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.