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**MEETING MINUTES**

A virtual meeting of the *Fire Protection Fire Prevention Committee (FPFP) of the Board of Building Regulations and Standards* was held on:

March 10, 2021 beginning @ 9:05 am and ending @ 11:30 pm.

**Roll Call.**

Robert Carasitti, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Dave LeBlanc	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Commissioner DPL designee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Jeff Putnam for the Commissioner		
Paul Donga	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Fredrick L. Tustin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

Louise Vera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
<Architect -Vacant>	<input type="checkbox"/> present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Fire Marshal designee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Jen Hoyt for the Fire Marshal		
Joseph Castronovo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
JC Joined at 10:37 am		

**Agenda:**

1. Review Draft Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2021 and February 17, 2021 Meetings.  
*Minutes were reviewed and approved as edited.*
2. Review acknowledgement of Open Meeting Law requirements and the Conflict of Interest Law.  
*Only 1 outstanding remained.*
3. Review the use of fire testing standards not referenced in 780 CMR (FPFP Task #21-001).  
*The chair reviewed status of report to BBRS. Committee vote to be held at future meeting.*
4. Review of 2021 IBC Chapter 9 for the 10<sup>th</sup> Edition of 780 CMR (FPFP Task #21-002).
  - *Review of Chapter 9 continued.*
  - *The Committee noted BBRS needs to address if there is a general resolution on circumstances of when the IBC identifies the Fire Official as approving authority. In the interim, the committee will continue to review and provide recommendations on such instances in Chapter 9.*



- *Likewise, the Committee noted BBRS needs to address if there is a general resolution on circumstances of when the IBC references the IFC. In the interim, the committee will continue to review and provide recommendations on such instances in Chapter 9. It is noted that in some cases it will be appropriate to remove the IFC reference and include 527 CMR 1.00. In other cases, it may be appropriate to simply bring the IFC language being referenced into the Chapter 9 amendments, so it is clear what the ultimate requirements are.*

5. Review for conflicts and recommendations on fire protection criteria in the following:
  - a. 2021 IBC Chapter 4 (FPFP Task #21-002.C4)
  - b. 2021 IBC fire protection provisions for exterior walls in Chapters 14 & 26 (FPFP Task #21-002.C14&C26).
  - c. 2021 IEBC fire protection provisions and Chapter 34 Committee review conclusions for conflicts or recommendations (FPFP Task #21-002.IEBC).

***This is a placeholder until the Chapter 9 efforts are complete.***

6. Discuss other matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting.  
***No new matters were discussed.***

Documents used in the meeting included the following:

- 210310 RMC IBC 2021 Chapter 9 with 2018 efforts and 903