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Existing Building Code Committee (Ch. 34)

Chairman DiMascio took roll call at approximately 10:05 a.m.:

*Layla D'Emilia, or designee	✓ present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
**Peter Ostroskey, or designee	✓ present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Fred Lonardo	<input type="checkbox"/> present ✓ absent
BO from a City Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/> present ✓ absent
Dana Haagensen	✓ present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Kevin Hastings	✓ present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Vernon Woodworth	<input type="checkbox"/> present ✓ absent

Mike DiMascio, Chair	✓ present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Doug Anderson	<input type="checkbox"/> present ✓ absent
Lee Cleveland	<input type="checkbox"/> present ✓ absent
Michael Shearer	<input type="checkbox"/> present ✓ absent
Erik Eklund	✓ present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Barry Gehrom	✓ present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Dave Horton	✓ present <input type="checkbox"/> absent

* *Dan Walsh participated as the designee for DPL Commissioner, Lyla D'Emilia.*

***Jacob Nunnemacher participated as the designee for State Fire Marshal Peter Ostroskey.*

This was a virtual Microsoft Teams meeting.

June 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes

General notes on format of these minutes

- *These minutes represent general points of discussion by members and audience participants during the regular meeting session. The minutes are not intended to be a verbatim account of discussions.*
- *Votes are noted as MOTION by, seconded by, and whether it was a unanimous or split vote.*
- *Agenda topics as numbered may be in the same order as they appear on the meeting agenda.*
- *The meeting agenda is listed as EXHIBIT A; others are listed sequentially as addresses during the meeting.*

Regular Meeting Portion

1. Minutes. On a MOTION by Jacob Nunnemacher, seconded by Kevin Hastings, it was a unanimous vote to approve the draft meeting minutes for June 09, 2021, Existing Buildings Code Technical Advisory Committee (EAC) as amended (**EXHIBIT B**). Doug Anderson did not respond.
2. Review\Vote recommendations on the 2021 International Existing Building Code. The group started with IEBC Chapter 3 (**EXHIBIT C**). Jacob Nunnemacher talked about his changes to Sections 307 and 308. He believes the changes on the displayed document have been improved with some input he received from committee members. Chairman DiMascio decided to table Chapter 3 to give time for the edits Jacob Nunnemacher received to be added to the document.



Next, the group discussed IEBC Chapter 10 (**EXHIBIT D**). Dana Haagensen explained the exceptions in Section 1011.2.1 introduce some confusion for architects and engineers because he believes exceptions 1 and 2 conflict with Mass. amendments. He recommended striking all three exceptions. The group discussed the pros and cons of striking the three exceptions. On a **MOTION** by Dana Haagensen, seconded by Jacob Nunnemacher, ROLL CALL was a majority **VOTE** to strike all three exceptions to Section 1011.2.1. Dana Haagensen, Jacob Nunnemacher, Kevin Hastings, Dave Horton, and Mike DiMascio voted in the affirmative. Dan Walsh and Barry Gehron voted in the negative, Erik Eklund did not respond. Chairman DiMascio talked about these changes do not increase construction costs. The group then discussed Section 1011.2 and that it allows a partial fire sprinkler system in a building. Chairman DiMascio talked about Massachusetts is not unique in this regard. Other states allow partial fire sprinklers in buildings and have been in the code for many years. On a **MOTION** by Jacob Nunnemacher and seconded by Dana Haagensen to edit 1011.2 by striking one of the following and replacing it with “fire barrier” and strike all six items below the paragraph was a tie **VOTE** by ROLL CALL. The motion failed. Jacob Nunnemacher, Dana Haggensen, Eric Eklund, Barry Gehron, Dave Horton voted in the affirmative.

On a **MOTION** by Kevin Hastings, seconded by Jacob Nunnemacher, by ROLL CALL, it was a majority **VOTE** to accept Chapter 10 as amended. Dana Haagensen, Jacob Nunnemacher, Kevin Hastings, Barry Gehron, Erik Eklund Dave Horton, and Mike DiMascio voted in the affirmative. Dan Walsh voted in the negative.

3. Next, the group discussed IEBC Chapter 13. Dana Haagensen talked about his review and his interest in the chapter. He would like to offer amendments that prevent low-cost fire protection systems that add little operational value using the point system.

1. Add a second sentence to Section 1301.5.1 to read: “When using this Chapter, positive values from the tables shall only be used for fire protection systems when 780CMR requires such system for new construction with the same scenario.”
2. Add the following Note to Table 1301.6.8 – Automatic Fire Detection Values, Table 1301.6.9 – Fire Alarm System Values, Table 1301.6.10 – Smoke Control Values, Table 1301.6.17 – Sprinkler System Values, and Table 1301.6.18 – Standpipe System Values: “NOTE: When using this Chapter, positive values from the tables shall only be used for fire protection systems when such system is required by 780CMR for new construction with the same scenario (1301.5.1).”

Kerry Dietz expressed concern that making wholesale changes to the code language is a problem as it causes unintended conflicts and difficulties. Chairman DiMascio tabled this chapter to give time to blend the changes into the chapter.

4. Adjourn Session. On a **MOTION** by, Jacob Nunnemacher seconded by Dana Haagensen, it was unanimously **VOTED** by ROLL CALL to adjourn the meeting @ approximately 11:44 a.m.

EXHIBITS:

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| A. | Meeting Agenda. |
| B. | Draft Meeting Minutes June 09, 2021. |
| C. | 2021_IEBC_Working Draft Chapter 3 2018 & 2021 Changes 6-23-2021 Draft_B |
| D. | 2021_IEBC_Ch10 Working Draft 2018 & 2021 Changes. |
| E. | 2021_IEBC_Working Draft Chapter 13 2018 & 2021 Changes. |