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**BOARD OF BUILDING REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS**

**MEETING MINUTES**

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

November 17, 2021, beginning about 9:03 am.

**Roll Call.**

Michael Roescher, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Dave LeBlanc, Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Dan Walsh for the Commissioner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Paul Donga	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Fredrick L. Tustin	<input type="checkbox"/> present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent

Louise Vera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Alexander MacLeod	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Jen Hoyt for the Fire Marshal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Joseph Castronovo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

Dave LeBlanc left about 11:25 am.

1. Review Draft Meeting Minutes from October 6, 2021, and October 20, 2021. Chairman Roescher tabled the minutes to give Committee members time to submit their edits. The group discussed recording the meetings. Dan Walsh talked about DOL does not record board meetings. On a **MOTION** by Jen Hoyt seconded by Dave LeBlanc it was a majority vote to record the meetings and then destroy the recording after the minutes have been approved. Mike Roescher, Dave LeBlanc, Paul Donga, and Jen Hoyt voted in the affirmative. Dan Walsh, Louise Vera, and Alexander MacLeod voted in the negative.
2. Discuss\Vote of 2021 IBC Chapter 9 for the 10th edition of 780CMR (**EXHIBIT B**). The group review started with Section 903. Mass Amendment 903.2 as proposed included changes and renumbered to 903.1.2. The proposal utilizes the IBC 903.2 Where required and some of the Mass Amendments with some renumbering. The group consensus is to not recommend the proposed amendment identified as #6.

The group discussed recommending carrying forward a Mass Amendment Table 903.2 Automatic Sprinkler Requirements. This was created in an earlier edition of the code, and it



identifies the conditions requiring automatic sprinkler systems in a table format. Jen Hoyt provided a version that most of the group felt was approved during a previous FPPF meeting. The document puts the requirements provided in the notes into the body of the Table (**EXHIBIT C**). The group discussed this version and discussed some of the changes went beyond moving the notes into the body of the Table and updates to Section 903.2 in the 2021 IBC. Some expressed that this group would need to identify all the proposed changes and for any Mass Amendments being proposed, a rationale for each change, identify the unique to Massachusetts issue each change addresses, and identify the costs associated with each of the changes. The review ended due to the time.

3. Adjourn. On a **MOTION** by Jen Hoyt seconded by Louise Vera it was unanimously voted to adjourn the regular meeting at about 12:05 pm.

**EXHIBITS:**

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- A. Meeting Agenda November 17, 2021.
- B. CHAPTER 9 Working Draft 2015, 2018 2021 & Mass Amendments 11 17 2021 WORKING DRAFT.
- C. 9th and Proposed 10th TABLE 903.2 OCCUPANCY AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER REQUIREMENTS\_Update With 3rd Table.