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MEETING MINUTES

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

December 1, 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 type="checkbox"/> present	<input checked="" 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
Alexander MacLeod	<input type="checkbox"/> present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Jen Hoyt for the Fire Marshal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Joseph Castronovo	<input type="checkbox"/> present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent

1. Review Draft Meeting Minutes from November 17, 2021. The group discussed some typos and added "that the majority felt was previously approved by FPFP" to agenda item 2 in the third sentence. On a **MOTION** by Jen Hoyt seconded by Dave LeBlanc it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes for the November 17, 2021, FPFP meeting as amended (**EXHIBIT B**).

Review Draft Meeting Minutes from October 20, 2021. The group discussed the edits submitted to staff before today's meeting, including keeping the 527 CMR edit and striking the International Fire Code in Section 901.6.4. Not everyone agreed. Some recall the consensus is to use the 2021 IBC text. Dave LeBlanc offered a motion to keep 527 CMR and strike the International Fire Code, Jen Hoyt seconded, the motion failed due to a tie vote. Louise Vera, Dan Walsh, and Michael Roescher voted in the negative. The group agreed to vote on another motion but had the Chair vote only to resolve a tie vote. On a **MOTION** by Dave LeBlanc, seconded by Jen Hoyt, it was the majority to keep 527 CMR and strike the International Fire Code. Jen Hoyt, Fredrick Tustin, Dave LeBlanc voted in the affirmative. Louise Vera and Dan Walsh voted in the negative. On a **MOTION** by Dave LeBlanc, seconded by Fredrick Tustin, it was a majority vote to approve the minutes for the October 20, 2021, FPFP meeting as amended (**EXHIBIT C**). Jen Hoyt, Fredrick Tustin, Dave LeBlanc voted in the affirmative. Louise Vera and Dan Walsh voted in the negative.



Review Draft Meeting Minutes from October 6, 2021. The group discussed edits that the staff received before today's meeting. Jen Hoyt offered that the group discussed sections 909.15, 909.16, 909.22. On a **MOTION** by Dave LeBlanc seconded by Jen Hoyt, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes for the October 6, 2021, FPFP meeting as amended (**EXHIBIT D**).

Review Draft Meeting Minutes from April 28, 2021. Dan Walsh explained the group needs to vote on meeting minutes for April 28, 2021, meeting. The previous FPFP chairman provided past meeting minutes and 2021 IBC Chapter 9 working documents. These gave insight as to the committee progress made during this meeting. The discussion included some edits to the draft version. Agenda item number 4 was tabled, and item number 6 was added to reflect that the meeting was adjourned. On a **MOTION** by Dave LeBlanc seconded by Jen Hoyt, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes for April 28, 2021, FPFP meeting as amended (**EXHIBIT E**). Michael Roescher and Dan Walsh abstained.

2. Discuss\Vote of 2021 IBC Chapter 9 for the 10th edition of 780CMR (**EXHIBIT F**). The group reviewed Sections 902, 908, 911, 914, 917 and decided to recommend for the 10th edition. The group then reviewed Section 901 and made the following changes: 901.5.1, remove the notes, 901.4, add new amended text "with this code," and strike 527 CMR 1.00. The group discussed 101.4.5 negated the need for the recent amendment "in accordance with NFPA 72" in Section 901.6, but some felt the clarification is helpful, use the updated 901.7 Mass. Amendment text, a correlation change, 901.9 to 901.8, and don't need 901.9.1. Next, the group reviewed 904.2.2 and 904.11.3 and agreed to strike 527 CMR 1.00 and keep International Fire Code in 904.11.3, keeping the proposed amendment in 904.12. Next was 905.1 to keep International Fire Code. The group discussed the proposed amendment to 905.3.6, which takes text from the IFC and inserts as a proposed Mass amendment is not consistent with the front-end amendment approach the BBRS will promulgate the 10th edition. On a **MOTION** by Dave LeBlanc, seconded by Jen Hoyt, the motion failed to recommend as presented. Jen Hoyt, Fredrick Tustin, Dave LeBlanc voted in the affirmative. Louise Vera, Dan Walsh, and Michael Roescher voted in the negative.
3. Adjourn. On a **MOTION** by Jen Hoyt seconded by Dave LeBlanc it was unanimously voted to adjourn the regular meeting at about 12:02 pm.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Meeting Agenda.
- B. November 17, 2021, Meeting Minutes.
- C. October 20, 2021, Meeting Minutes.
- D. October 6, 2021, Meeting Minutes.
- E. April 28, 2021, Meeting Minutes.
- F. CHAPTER 9 Working Draft 2015, 2018 2021 & Mass Amendments 11 17 2021 WORKING DRAFT.