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BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES Saturday March 8, 2025 starting at 8 a.m.

Member and Staff Attendance

: MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Chairman, Master Gas Fitter		X
Mr. Harold Knight	Vice-Chairman Journeyman Plumber	X	
Mr. John Cruz	Member, LP Installer	X	
Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E.	Member, Plumbing Engineer	X	
Mr. Joseph V. Waskiewicz	Member, Master Plumber	X	
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Member Journeyman Gasfitter	X	
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member, Dept. of Public Health		X
Ms. Sarah Badway	Public Member		X
Mr. Dan Kilburn	Member, DOL Designee		X
STAFF			
Mr. Charles Kilb	Board Legal Counsel	X	
Mr. Kenneth Peterson	Executive Director	X	
Mr. Michael Guida	Board Code Consultant	X	

The Board participated in the annual trade show of the Plumbing, Heating and Cooling Contractors of Massachusetts at the Royal Plaza Trade Center at the Best Western Motel in Marlborough, Massachusetts. A quorum was present. PHCC hosted the Board members in a question-and-answer seminar from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. During this period, the Board members entertained approximately 55 questions from the audience on a wide range of topics. The following topics were addressed:

Inspector entering a job site with a permit
Exam changes regarding gas code update
Multiple kitchen drains on 2" branch
Gas grill product acceptance
Propress uses underground
Audit question
Journeyman license required for a master who is working
Hot works training
LLC questions
Product approval
Journeyman and LLC
Out of state licenses
Handheld shower sprayer
Apprentice hours
Urine diversion products
Grey water systems
Gas venting
Tub and shower clean out
Hood appliance requirements
Shower thresholds
Second overflow on roof drain
Water filter and license requirements
10-year apprentice limit
RTU drip leg
Drinking water fountain product acceptance
Gas separator vent size
Minimum size bow vent
Single user restroom/multi-user gender-neutral bathrooms
Generators and carbon monoxide detectors
DBA business license
Eplace and continuing education documents
Minimum gas pipe size underground

Liability insurance requirements
Existing chimney, fresh air
PVC expansion joints
Flexible connectors on water heaters
Exterior interceptor requirements
10 floor drains and only one wash down
Change of corporate master
Gas venting with PVC
Plumbing inspector and ADA requirements
Water heater venting with mixed materials
Variance process
Handheld showers and vacuum breaker
Propane tank installation and heat pump clearances

No votes were taken.

Adjournment

Vote: JC to adjourn at 9:50 a.m., JW seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

Items relied upon for this meeting.

None.