

UNAPPROVED/UNOFFICIAL – MINUTES

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NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE BUILDING CODE REVIEW BOARD

DRAFT – Public Hearing & Regular Meeting – October 9, 2015

Attendance:

Shawn Bergeron Sr., Chairman
Thomas Clark, NH Municipal Association
Stephen Eckberg, NH Public Utilities Commission
Tedd Evans, Mechanical Licensing Board
Wayne Fillion, PE, NH Board of Engineers (Mechanical Engineer)
William Fraser, NH Electrical Contractors Business Association
Edward J. Gibson, PE, NH Board of Engineers (Electrical Engineer)
David Lage, Associated General Contractors of NH, Inc.
Mariellen MacKay, Governor's Commission on Disability
Roger Maynard, P•FGF•HVAC of NH
Frederick Matuszewski, Board of Architects
Roger Maynard, P•FGF•HVAC of NH
Linda McNair-Perry, Vice-Chair, NH Board of Engineers (Structural Engineer)
Jonathan Mitchell, NH Bureau of Electrical Safety & Licensing
Bradley Ober, NH Association of Fire Chiefs
John Tuttle, AIA, NH Home Builders Association
Sean Toomey, NH Association of Fire Chiefs

Absent:

Wayne Richardson (Vice Chair), CBO, NH Building Officials Association

Guests:

Mary Maloney, Assistant Attorney General
Carol Roberts, NH State Representative, ED&A Committee
Bruce Buttrick, Town of Bow Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer and
Co-Chair NH Bldg Energy Code Collaborative
Jack Lyons, National Association of Electrical Manufacturing (NEMA)
Dan Levasseur, Levasseur Electric
Miguel Martinez, Interstate Electric
Dean Sotirakopoulos, Chief Electrical Inspector, NH Electrician's Board
Scott Nichols, Tarm Biomass
Mark Proulx, NH State Representative
Peter Schmidt, NH State Representative
Steven Rancourt, ECBA
Ryan Eaton, Artisan Electrical Contractors

Only 11 guests registered out of the 24 in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Chairman, Shawn Bergeron Sr. A quorum was declared. Members were introduced.

Tedd Evans made the motion to adopt the September 11, 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

SECONDED by John Tuttle

MOTION CARRIED

(1 opposition – 3 abstentions)

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING – Comments/consideration on proposed amendment, No. EL-14-01-15, to the 2014 National Electrical Code, NEC-2014 (NFPA 70)

Discussions continued from the September 11, BCRB meeting. A significant change needs to be made to the proposed amendment.

Lengthy discussion continued between board members and attendees.

Testimony/comments were received from:

Steven Rancourt, ECBA (provided board with proposed exception dated 10-8-15)

Mark Proulx, NH State Representative, District 44, Hillsborough

Peter Schmidt, NH State Representative, District 19, Strafford County

Carol Roberts, NH State Representative, District 4, Hillsborough

Jack Lyons, National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)

Bruce Buttrick, Town of Bow Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer

Dan Levasseur, Levasseur Electric

Norton Phelps, Norton Phelps Electrical, Goffstown NH

Subcommittee was formed to work with the ECBA to revise this amendment on the appropriate form, in the best language possible, for the November 2015 meeting.

Jonathan Mitchell

Bill Fraser

Wayne Richardson (absent – will be contacted by Chairman)

Alternate: John Tuttle

Mariellen MacKay made the MOTION to keep the Public Hearing open, for the proposed amendment EL-14-01-15, through to the November 13, 2015 board meeting.

SECONDED by Bill Fraser

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING – Comments/consideration on proposed amendments to the 2015 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code. Exhibits SP-15-01-15, SP-15-02-15, SP-15-03-15, SP-15-04-15, SP-15-05-15 and SP-15-06-15

Bruce Buttrick, representing Wayne Richardson, presented the proposed amendments to the board members. This is a new stand-alone document for the Pool and Spa Codes.

Linda McNair-Perry made the MOTION to move Pool and Spa Codes, SP-15-01-15 through SP-15-06-15, onto the agenda to vote at the November 13, 2015 board meeting.

SECONDED by Fred Matuszewski

MOTION CARRIED

Board to vote on the 2015 International Mechanical Code (IMC) amendments that were presented at the Public Hearing on September 11, 2015, Exhibits ME-15-01-15 through ME-15-07-15.

Tedd Evans made the MOTION to approve the 2015 IMC amendments that were heard on September 11.

SECONDED by Linda McNair-Perry
MOTION CARRIED

Exhibits ME-15-08-15, ME-15-09-15, ME-15-10-15, and ME-15-11-15 were received.

Tedd Evans made the MOTION that the 4 additional amendments. ME-15-08-15 through ME-15-11-15, be scheduled for Public Hearing at the Board's next meeting with 30 days notice – motion revised to include changes.

SECONDED by Linda McNair-Perry
MOTION CARRIED

Board to vote on the 2015 International Existing Building Code (IEBC) amendments that were presented to the public at the Public Hearing on September 11, 2015

Linda McNair-Perry made the motion that the Board approve exhibits EX-15-01-15, EX-15-02-15, EX-15-03-15, EX-15-04-15, EX-15-05-15 and EX15-06-15.

SECONDED by David Lage
MOTION CARRIED
(2 abstentions)

Scott Nichols, Tarm Biomass, questioned the board if European biomass boilers are being carried through to the 2015 edition. Wayne Fillion replied that the items in 2009 will be carried over to 2015 so this will remain one of the regulatory references with respect to biomass boilers. No change is being proposed.

OLD BUSINESS

Subcommittee update on Bcr 100 and Bcr 200 rules

The board was not able to meet this morning. Should be able to report back to the board by next month's meeting.

Update on legislative items

HB 533 - the Board knows where we stand on the arc-fault circuit breaker

HB 288 - relative to the code for energy conservation in new building construction – this bill has been ITL'd

Ongoing conversations related to the 2015 International Codes

Carol Roberts and Carol McGuire assisted the Board in the preparation of the LSR. Language is not yet available. Senator Bradley is supporting the Board and helping to get this carried forward.

Continued discussions on website update

Believe the site is up to date with the exception of posting the approved amendments. This will continue to be ongoing.

Status of Appeal for David H. Cantin

Mary Maloney gave the board an update on the status of the appeal of David H. Cantin. Appeal continuation is scheduled for October 16. There is discussion of a possible settlement but the board will be kept informed.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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