

APPROVED MINUTES

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE BUILDING CODE REVIEW BOARD

In-person regular meeting January 14, 2022

Members Present:

Philip Sherman, P.E., Chair
Roger Maynard, P•FGF•HVAC of NH
Michael Hagan, CFM, NH Building Officials Association
Art Guadano, Board of Architects
Tedd Evans, Mechanical Licensing Board
Lee F. Carroll, PE, NH Board of Engineers (Electrical Engineer)
Beverly Kowalik, P.E. Mechanical Engineer
Med Koczynski, NH Municipal Association
William Fraser, NH Electrical Contractors Business Association
John Tuttle, Vice-Chair, NH Home Builders Association
Peter Lennon, Fire Marshal - Manchester, NH Association of Fire Chiefs
Mariellen MacKay, Governor's Commission on Disability – Via conference phone
Dean Sotirakopoulos (James Grant alternate), representing the Electricians board

Absent:

Arthur Rose, Associated General Contractors of NH, Inc.
Jeffrey Trexler, Board of Engineers (Structural Engineer)
Kenneth Walsh, NH Public Utilities Commission
Mark Tetreault, Fire Chief, NH Association of Fire Chiefs
James Grant, Electricians Board

Also Present:

Erica Webb, Administrative Secretary NH State Fire Marshal's Office
Michael Grandy, Assistant Attorney General

Guests:

Jerry Tepe
Chris Skoglund
Griffin Roberge

The meeting, held in-person, was called to order at 10:04am by Chair Sherman. Chair Philip Sherman proceeded with roll call. A quorum was declared.

Motion to accept the meeting minutes from December 10, 2021: Michael Hagan

Seconded: Lee Carroll

John Tuttle abstained.

No one opposed, Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Website: The chairman informed the board that the update to the BRCB website, which was originally scheduled for this month, has been postponed by DoIT until possibly March. The FMO will update as able.

Code books: Chair Sherman advised the board that the 2021 ICC Code Books the BCRB had been waiting on have been delivered and would be available later for use in the sub-committee meetings. The FMO is still working on how to get the “significant changes” documents for the board members to have access to outside of meetings and would update when he had more information.

Beaudoin’s Email: Chair Sherman thanked everyone for their assisted responses to former State Representative Steve Beaudoin’s email. A response was send to Rep. McGuire from the chairman. A copy of that response was provided for the Board.

Legislative Tracking: The Chairman notified the board of five bills coming before legislation; HB72 ratifies amendments having to do with the Building Code Review Board and State Fire Code. This bill is a 2015 code hold over from last year and no action is required.

HB1681 relative to the State Building Code. This bill will update the code, ratify the amendments, and provide housekeeping updates to RSA 155-A

SB398 relative to the joint committee for code enforcement. This bill will eliminate the joint committee on code enforcement, and will create a legislative standing committee to deal with code issues.

HB1014 relative to holding electronic meetings.

The board discussed taking up an official position regarding HB 1014.

Motion to support HB1014: Fraser

Seconded: Carroll

All in favor, motion carried.

SB443 relative to the BCRB and municipalities amendment adoption process.

The board discussed the language in the proposed bill and while it was agreed that the bill needed more defined language before the BCRB could take an official position and the BCRB would discuss at a later date. The chair will pursue better language with stakeholders.

NEW BUSINESS

Vice Chairman Nomination: John Tuttle was nominated by Fraser. Hagan seconded his nomination. John Tuttle abstained from the vote. John Tuttle was elected Vice Chair.

Chairman Sherman adjourned the meeting at 11:00am. Next meeting to be held on February 11th, 2022.

MEETING ADJOURNED