

STATE CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE (C&S)
 Wednesday, January 8, 2020 – 1:00 PM, 2N Conference Room B

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ATTENDANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE December 11, 2019 MEETING

4. COMMUNICATIONS:

SUBJECT & DATE RECEIVED	FROM – TO	DESCRIPTION
a. Correspondence Received 12/13/19	William Abbott, OSFM State Fire Marshal / Joseph Kingston, OSFM Fire & Life Safety Supervisor C&S	A-12-19 OSFM site visit and assessment report RE: Ivory Key, LLC, 158 Main Street, Essex, CT – <i>(see item #g for details)</i> . ACTION: _____ _____
b. Correspondence Received 01/05/20	Knight Architecture LLC C&S	A-15-19 Summary of rational RE: 23 Lynwood Place, New Haven – <i>(see item #j for details)</i> . ACTION: _____ _____
c. Request for appeal Received	Mr. Brian Miller, Brookfield, CT C&S	A-01-20 RE: 90 Ironworks Hill Road, Brookfield, CT RE: Storm Damage: Re-roof and replace 2 skylights RE: William Babyak, Assistant Brookfield Building Official’s Certificate of Approval. ACTION: _____ _____
d. Correspondence Received	Attorney Brian P. Fiengo Suisman Shapiro C&S	A-20-19 APPELLANT WITHDREW APPEAL RE: Thames Aquatic Club, LLC – Temporary Structure Permit (Town of Ledyard) - <i>(see item #n for details)</i> . ACTION: _____ _____

5) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) **Codes Amendment Subcommittee (CAS) (Free) –**
- b) **Ethics/Procedural Regulations Subcommittee (Harwood) –**

6) [OLD BUSINESS](#)

7) [NEW BUSINESS](#)

- a) **Staff Report**
 - i) **Joseph Cassidy, State Building Inspector –**
 - ii) **William Abbott, State Fire Marshal –**
 - iii) **Jenna Padula, Staff Counsel –**
- b) **Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee (Harwood & Sinsigalli) –**
- c) **Training Councils**
 - i) **Building Code Training Council (Musco) –**
 - ii) **Fire Marshal Training Council (Harwood) –**
- d) **Report on Bills (Cassidy) –**

8) [APPEAL HEARINGS](#)

- a) **A-01-19** Request for Appeal received 1/7/19 from Ori D. Spiegel, Esq., Law Office of Lawrence A. Levinson RE: [243 Winthrop Avenue, New Haven, CT – 3 Family Apartment Building] per New Haven Fire Marshal – “Doors not in compliance”. Forward to State Fire Marshal for review. Fire Marshal reports that they had an inspector review it. He is currently working with the Appellant. State Fire Marshal report in process. Received Investigation report from Office of the State Fire Marshal on 5/24/19. Panel Assigned: Keith Flood, (Chair); David McKinley (panel); Michael Sinsigalli (panel); William Zoeller (alternate). Hearing scheduled: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 @ 11:00 a.m. Hearing moved to Wednesday, 11/13/19 @ 11:00 a.m., 2N Room B. **Hearing held and continued to Wednesday, 2/5/20 @ 10:00 a.m., 2N Room B. Hold on agenda.**
- b) **A-04-19** Request for Appeal received 3/14/19 from Bill Disiero, Centennial Real Estate RE: [1201 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT (M-69-19)]. Denial of Section 907, of the 2012 IBC portion of the 2016 SBC, which sets forth requirements for “*Emergency Voice/Alarm Communication Systems in malls*” in which proposed to not have the required alarm system within the mall to trip Dave & Busters Fire Alarm System. Panel assigned: Mike Sinsigalli, Panel Chair, Glenn Nielson, Panel, Lou Free, Panel, and Donald Harwood (alternate). Hearing scheduled, Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 11:00a.m.-2 North Conference Room B. Received Request for Continuance from Sara A. Sharp, Esq., Hurwitz Sagarin Slossberg & Knuff, LLC on 5/31/19. Panel Granted Continuance. Hearing rescheduled, Wednesday, 11/13/19 @ 9:00 a.m., 2N Room B. 10/28/19 Appellant requested a continuance of the hearing. Panel granted continuance. Hearing rescheduled Wednesday, 12/18/19 @ 10:00a.m., 13 North Room A. **Panel continued hearing to Wednesday, 3/11/20 @ 10:00am, 2 NB Room B. Hold on agenda.**
- c) **A-05-19** Request for Appeal received 5/15/19 from Raymond Pietrorazio, Representative, OXC Airport/Power Plant, Town of Middlebury - RE: [CPV Towantic LLC, 16 Woodruff Hill Road, Oxford, CT]. RE: CT Fire Safety Code Section(s) under appeal: NFPA-54 and NFPA-56. And CT Building Code Section(s) under appeal: Section, 104.1, 105.1, NFPA-54 and NFPA-56. Referred

to State Fire Marshal. **State Fire Marshal still actively working with Appellant. Hold on agenda.**

- d) **A-09-19 Request for Appeal** received 6/21/19 from Robert W. Hall, Jr., Director of Facility Support Services, Gaylord Specialty Healthcare (Lyman Building): RE: 50 Gaylord Farm, Road, Wallingford CT. RE: Denial of relief from Part IV, Section 7.2.1.4.2(2) of the 2018 Connecticut State Fire Safety Code - to permit the door to the existing Exit Stair Enclosure STR-L101 (said to be used as a convenience stair between the Floor Levels 1, and 2) to swing opposing the direction of egress travel at Floor Level 1, within an existing Two Story Health Care Occupancy. Panel assigned: Keith Flood, (Chair); David McKinley (panel); Henry Miga (panel) and Carlton Smith (alternate). Hearing scheduled: Wednesday, 12/11/19 @ 11:00 a.m., 2N Room B. **Hearing held. Decision will be mailed out in 90 days (3/11/20) Hold on agenda.**
- e) **A-10-19 Request for Appeal received 6/27/19 from** 860 Main Street, LLC - Estate of John Gramegna, Managing Member: RE: 860 Main Street, East Hartford, CT RE: Connecticut Fire Safety Code(s). Referred to State Fire Marshal for investigation. State Fire Marshal unable to reach a resolution with Appellant. 11/29/19 received site visit and assessment report from OSFM. Panel assigned: Keith Flood (Chair); Mike Sinsigalli (panel); Don Harwood (panel); William Zoeller (alternate). Hearing scheduled: Wednesday, 12/18/18 @ 9:00a.m., 13 North Room A. **12/11/19 Appellant requested continuance of hearing. Panel granted hearing – continued to Thursday, 2/6/20 @ 10:00am, 13 NB Room A. Hold on agenda.**
- f) **A-11-19 Request for Appeal received 8/11/19** from Timothy P. Guidera, Pawcatuck Riverview LLC, State Building Code Section 117 - Notice of Imminent Danger, Order to Vacate and Posting of Unsafe Structure (RE: 21 Pawcatuck Ave, Pawcatuck, CT). Appellant seeking determination overruling the Stonington Building Official's July 26, 2019 decision that the subject building is not in violation of SBC Section 117. That it was already partially torn down and presents no imminent danger of collapse. Panel assigned: Henry Miga, (Chair); Johnny Carrier (panel); Don Doeg (panel); Tom DiBlasi (alternate). Hearing scheduled Wednesday, 10/9/19 @ 10:00 a.m., 2N Room B. **Hearing held. Decision will be mailed in 90 days (1/9/20). Hold on agenda.**
- g) **A-12-19 Request for Appeal received 9/3/19** from Richard Leighton, R.E. Leighton & Associates, RE: Appeal of the Local Fire Marshal Ivoryton (Essex), Connecticut. RE: Ivory Key, LLC, [158 Main Street, Ivoryton (Essex), CT]. Referred to the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Communications are ongoing with State Fire Marshal and Appellant. State Fire Marshal is currently working on the report for the Committee. **12/13/19 received OSFM site visit and assessment report.**
- h) **A-13-19 Request for Appeal received 9/6/19** from Alan P. Gravel, RE: [200 Perch Rock Trail, Winsted, CT (OSBI: M-554-19)] RE: denial Section R305.1.1(4) that proposed a ceiling height of 6 feet, 5 inches and a clear height of 5 feet, 10 inches under a beam within an existing basement being converted to habitable space. Panel assigned: Glenn Neilson (Chair); Lou Free (panel); Tom DiBlasi (panel); Carlton Smith (alternate). Hearing scheduled Wednesday, 12/11/19 @ 10:00 a.m., 2N Room B. **Hearing held and continued for 30 days. Hold on agenda.**
- i) **A-14-19 Request for Appeal received 9/20/19** from Anthony P. Strazza, III RE: [194 South Ave, New Canaan, CT] denial w/o prejudice, of Section 404.2.3.2 (Swinging Doors), of ICC A117.1-2009 portion of the 2018 SBC; that proposed to allow a 4 inch clearance on the push side of the door in lieu of the required 18 inch clearance for a manual swinging door. **Panel assigned: David McKinley (Chair); Don Doeg (panel); Henry Miga (panel); George Iskra (alternate). Hearing scheduled Wednesday, 01/08/20 @ 11:00 a.m., 2N Room B. Hold on agenda.**

- j) **A-15-19 Request for Appeal received 9/27/19** from Bruce J. Spiewak RE: [Saint Thomas More – 23 Lynwood Place, New Haven, CT] Section 1011.3, of the 2015 IBC portion of the 2018 IBC: Modification approved in part: approved a headroom of 6 feet, 5 inches, but denied a headroom of 5 feet, 9 inches at a stairway leading from a new dwelling unit located on the third floor of an existing building undergoing a change of use. **Panel assigned: Glenn Neilson (Chair); Lou Free (panel); Tom DiBlasi (panel); Paul Costello (alternate). Hearing scheduled Wednesday, 01/08/20 @ 10:00 a.m., 2N Room B. Hold on agenda.**
- k) **A-16-19 Request for Appeal received 10/23/19 from Rachita Shan RE:** [338 South Quaker Lane, West Hartford, CT] Section R311.7.2, of the 2015 IRC *denial* that proposed a headroom of 6 feet, at the top of a stairway that serves a newly created habitable attic within a single family dwelling. **Panel assigned: Glen Neilson (Chair); Tom DiBlasi (panel); Lou Free (panel); Johnny Carrier (alternate). Hearing Scheduled Wednesday, 2/5/20 @ 11:00am PLAZA LEVEL, ROOM B. Hold on Agenda.**
- l) **A-18-19 Request for Appeal received 11/15/19** from Jane Davila, Managing Director, NEST Arts Factory. **RE: [NEST Arts Factory - 345 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport, CT] RE:** Accessibility Exemption from Section 1012.8(2) – Complete Change of Occupancy, of 2015 IEBC. *denial* of an accessibility exemption that proposed to utilize an existing freight elevator to provide accessibility within an existing three-story 34,185 square foot building undergoing a change in occupancy. **Panel assigned: John Butkus, Chair; Lout Free (panel); Johnny Carrier (panel); Carlton Smith (alternate). Hearing scheduled, Wednesday, 1/15/20 @ 11:00am, 2 NB Room B.**
- m) **A-19-19 Request for Appeal received 11/15/19** from Attorney Pat Labbadia. RE: Abatement order of Fire/Life Safety Hazards – Section 31.3.4.1.1 [45 Jefferson Road / West Main, Branford, CT]. **Referred to Office of the State Fire Marshal.**
- n) **A-20-19 Request for Appeal received 12/2/19** from Attorney Brian P. Fiengo, Suisman | Shapiro. RE: Ledyard Building Official’s denial of building permit application as it pertains to “wind speed rating” for “Temporary Structure Permit” [Thames Aquatic Club, LLC, Town of Ledyard, CT]. **Referred to Office of the State Building Inspector.**
- o) **A-21-19 Request for Appeal received 12/6/19** from Mr. Carlos Pla, Greenwich, CT. RE: [107 East Elm Street, Greenwich, CT] Section R305.1(4), 2015 IRC – denial of 6 feet, under a beam within an existing basement being converted to habitable space. **Panel assigned: Glenn Neilson, Chair; Lou Free (panel); Tom DiBlasio (panel); Carlton Smith (alternate). Hearing scheduled: Wednesday, 4/8/20 @ 11:00 a.m., 2 NB Room B.**

9) GOOD OF THE ORDER

The next Codes and Standards Committee meeting is set for **Wednesday, February 5, 2020, 1:00 p.m.**, and will be held in the **PLAZA LEVEL ROOM B**, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut.

10) ADJOURNMENT