

**STATE CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**January 11, 2017**

1. The Chair called to order the regular meeting of the State Codes and Standards Committee. The meeting was held in the North Plaza Hearing Room B, at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut.

**2. In Attendance:**

- Carlton Smith, Chair
- Anthony Bruno
- Paul Costello
- Tom DiBlasi
- Donald Doeg
- Keith Flood
- Louis Free
- Donald Harwood
- George Iskra
- Mark Mastropasqua
- David McKinley
- Henry Miga
- Michael Musco
- Glenn Neilson
- Michael Sinsigalli
- Fred Wajcs, Jr.
- William Zoeller

**Also Present:**

- Joseph Cassidy, OSBI
- Darren Hobbs, OSBI
- Bill Abbott, OSFM
- Joseph Kingston, OSFM
- Dan Bonyaj, Branford Building Dept.
- Bruce Spiewak, AIA Connecticut
- Jenna Padula, DAS/DCS Legal

3. Attendance was taken and a quorum was present. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the December 14, 2016 meeting. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

#### **4. COMMUNICATIONS**

- a. **A-18-16. Request for appeal from Alexis Brown re: Local Fire Marshal's decision re: 7.1.3.2.1(1) re: 58-60 Roberts Street, New Britain, CT. On January 11, 2017, referred to Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) for review and to contact the Local Fire Marshal.**
- b. **A-16-16. Correspondence received 01/06/17 re: request for appeal from Keith McLiverty re: Local Fire Marshal's decision re: 7.2.1.8.1 and CGS §29-292 and §29-293 re: 307 Old Field Road, Southbury, CT, from Barry Rickert, Southbury Fire Marshal. This matter was heard on 12/14/16. Said correspondence was forwarded to panel members on 01/10/17.**
- c. **A-16-16. Correspondence received 01/06/17 re: request for appeal from Keith McLiverty re: Local Fire Marshal's decision re: 7.2.1.8.1 and CGS §29-292 and §29-293 re: 307 Old Field Road, Southbury, CT, from Atty. Patrice Palombo. Copy of transcript of appeal hearing requested.**

#### **5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. **Codes Amendment Subcommittee: (Free)**  
This subcommittee will meet today, **January 11, 2017**, at 1:30 p.m. in North Plaza Hearing Room B, when the Subcommittee will be introduced to DAS staff who will be assisting work groups, and will also be going to a schedule.
- d. **Ethics/Procedural Regulations Subcommittee: (Harwood)**  
There was no report.

#### **6. OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

#### **7. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Staff Report**  
**(Cassidy)** The Legislature is in session. Mr. Cassidy passed out swipe cards to the Committee members for garage parking and turnstile entrance to the building. Next month he hoped we would have a better conference room with tables in it for the C&S and CAS meetings.

(Abbott) Reported that he met with the Chapter 541 Committee to review development of the IFC Code portion – have meeting coming up.

(Padula) Said there was some interest in elevator code; public comments will be responded to next week, then to the Office of the Attorney General, who has 30 days to review.

**b. Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee (Harwood & Sinsigalli)**

This committee will meet on January 19, 2017.

**c. Joint Building Code Training Council (Musco)/ Fire Marshal Training Council (Harwood)/ (aka Joint BCTC/FMTC)**

There was no meeting this month; Mr. Cassidy aiming for a meeting in March, 2017.

**d. Report on Bills (Cassidy)**

Session has just started. Property maintenance code incorporated into building code is the only one that affects us.

**8. APPEAL HEARINGS**

**a. A-6-16. Request for Appeal from 89 Prospect Street, LLC c/o John Forrest re: State Fire Marshal's decision re: 26.3.5.1 re: 44-46 Connecticut Boulevard, East Hartford, CT.** On 5/31/16 referred to Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) for review. OSFM contacted the local fire marshal and was waiting for receipt of a modification; however, when the 2016 Code was adopted the building became code-compliant. OSFM to contact the appellant and request withdrawal of appeal. OSFM tried to do this through the local fire marshal; however, that person retired. OSFM contacted the new fire marshal just appointed, and was referred to the inspector who is handling this matter. **OSFM contacted them again; there should be a letter forthcoming. Hold on agenda.**

**b. A-9-16. Request for Appeal from Douglas Golden re: Deputy State Building Inspector's decision re: M-48-16B re: 358 Springside Ave., New Haven, CT.** Panel consisted of Henry Miga, Panel Chair, William Zoeller and Fred Wajcs, Jr. (Paul Costello alternate). Hearing was set for 9/14/16; re-scheduled for Wednesday, 10/12/16 at 10:00 a.m. in room G38. On 10/6/16 correspondence received from appellant. **Hearing was held on 10/12/16. Decision will be sent today [1/11/17.] Remove from agenda.**

**c. A-11-16. Request for Appeal from Michael Roberts re: Deputy State Building Inspector's decision re: M-568-16 re: 545 Bedford Street, Stamford, CT.** Panel consists of Glenn Neilson, Panel Chair, George Iskra and Keith Flood; John Ferrucci is alternate. On 8/5/16 correspondence received from appellant. Hearing was scheduled for 10/12/16. On 10/12/16 appellant did not appear so appeal was

dismissed for lack of prosecution. **Decision will be sent today [1/11/17.] Remove from agenda.**

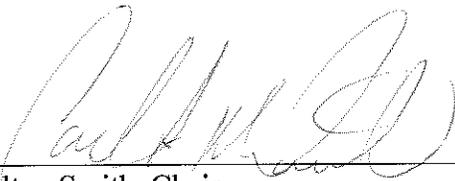
- d. **A-12-16. Request for Appeal from Steven Abbate re: State Fire Marshal's decision re: FM-0078-16 re: 81 Main Street North Units 1-8, Kent, CT.** Panel consisted of Keith Flood, Panel Chair; George Iskra and Donald Doeg (Michael Sinsigalli alternate). Hearing was held on 10/12/16. **Decision will be sent today [1/11/17.] Remove from agenda.**
- e. **A-13-16. Request for Appeal from Eamon Fuller re: Deputy State Building Inspector's decision re: M-594-16 re: 2714-2720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT.** On 8/30/16 correspondence received from appellant. Panel consisted of Michael Sinsigalli, Panel Chair, Michael Musco and Carlton Smith. Henry Miga and Donald Harwood were not available. Hearing was held on 11/9/16. **Decision will be sent within 90 days [by 2/9/17]. Hold on agenda.**
- f. **A-15-16. Request for Appeal from Steven Anderson re: Local Fire Marshal's decision re: 7.7, 8.6, 13.6 Parts IV & V, 10.4, 7.2 re: 11 Mason's Island Road, Mystic, CT.** On 9/14/16 referred to Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) for review. OSFM was refused entry into the building earlier this month. Inspection was re-scheduled for 10/18/16 but did not go forward. Since then a FOI request was received. OSFM asked for advice. Jenna Padula advised that a hearing be scheduled. Panel consists of Michael Sinsigalli, Panel Chair, Louis Free and Carlton Smith. Henry Miga will serve as alternate. Hearing was scheduled for Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in North Plaza Hearing Room B. However, a letter will be sent to the appellant stating that if the appellant is willing to meet with OSFM, the February 8, 2017 hearing will not go forward. **Appellant has not been heard from; hearing will go forward on 02/08/17. Hold on agenda.**
- g. **A-16-16. Request for Appeal from Keith McLiverty re: Local Fire Marshal's decision re: 7.2.1.8.1 and CGS §29-292 and §29-293 re: 307 Old Field Road, Southbury, CT.** On October 12, 2016, referred to Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) for review and to contact the Local Fire Marshal. OSFM conducted an on-site investigation on 10/17/16. OSFM report received 11/3/16. Panel consists of Louis Free, Panel Chair; Michael Sinsigalli and Mark Mastropasqua, Fred Wajcs will be alternate. Hearing was held on 12/14/16. The panel granted appellant's request to submit a brief. **Appellant's brief is due on January 13, 2017 by 3:00 p.m. Hold on agenda.**
- h. **A-17-16. Request for Appeal from MBH Architecture, LLC, ATTN: Ramon Montero re: Deputy State Building Inspector's decision re: M-880-16 re: HHC Cancer Center, 376 Tolland Turnpike, Manchester, CT.** Panel consisted of Glenn Nielson, Panel Chair, Fred Wajcs, Jr. and Michael Sinsigalli; Donald Harwood was

alternate. **Hearing was held today, 01/11/17. Decision will be sent within 90 days [by 4/11/17]. Hold on agenda.**

## 9. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Keith Flood apologized for missing the December meeting; there was a death of a member of his fire department.

The next Codes and Standards Committee meeting is set for **February 8, 2017**, and will be held in the **North Plaza Meeting Room C**, at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut.



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Carlton Smith, Chair