

State of Connecticut Board for Crane Operators
Minutes of the June 3, 2015, Meeting

Members Present: Edward St. John; Richard Cop; Nate Brown; Keith Murphy

Also Attending: Elliot Henowitz, State Crane Inspector; David D'Ostilio, Local 478; Michael Gates, Local 478; Jason Hart, Local 478; Agostino Alves; Linda Spring, OSFM

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m.
2. Approval of Minutes of May 6, 2015, meeting – approved and seconded.
3. Old Business:

A. Agreements – None

B. Crane regulations – a discussion continued with respect to updating our regulations and/or adapting/developing new regulations.

The discussion continued possibly limiting the hours of operation of a tower crane operator's shift. Input from crane operator Mike Gates will be considered when making their final decision. This discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

C. Old Colony Construction, LLC, contact with electrical line. Tabled waiting for additional information requested. Requested a letter be sent out to Vincent Neri of Old Colony Construction requesting the additional information and ensuring his crane operation is shut down until this accident is resolved.

D. Hoisting of personnel by Middlesex Corporation. A flashdrive showing photos of hoisting of personnel was submitted. Additional information will be submitted for review at the next meeting. Tabled until the next meeting. Also, inform Middlesex that this incident is still being investigated.

4. New Business:

A & B. Crane applications were reviewed by the Crane Board for compliance to the state regulations at this meeting. The Crane Board requested the state crane inspector to contact the Saxton Sign Corporation inquiring the type of crane license four of their crane applicants are applying for.

C. Hoisting operators Agostino Alves and Jason Hart submitted letters and appeared before the board regarding the renewal of their expired hoisting licenses. The Crane Board reviewed their letters submitted in regards to their expired hoisting license and voted to re-instate their licenses.

5. Comments from the public: David D'Ostilio re-stated that a letter should go out to existing crane operators notifying them on the required retest deadline and requirements. In addition, a discussion took place in regards to the additional categories that were developed and approved by the board. Also, David D'Ostilio commented that the board must maintain a consistent ruling in upholding the 60 day renewal period for hoisting license holders.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.