

STATE CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE (C&S)
 Wednesday, November 13, 2019 – 1:00 PM, 2N Conference Room B

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ATTENDANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE October 9, 2019 MEETING

4. COMMUNICATIONS:

SUBJECT & DATE RECEIVED	FROM – TO	DESCRIPTION
a. Certificate of Emeritus 10/16/19	Bonnie Becker, Director Office of Education and Data Management C&S	The Office of Education and Data Management will retire Fire Marshal certification for Albert Santostefano effective 10/9/19). ACTION: _____ _____
b. Request for Appeal Received 10/23/19	Rachita Shan West Hartford, CT C&S	A-16-19 Appeal of Rachita Nepau Shan RE: Section R311.7.2, of the 2015 IRC [338 South Quaker Lane, West Hartford, CT] <i>denial</i> 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. ACTION: _____ _____
c. Correspondence received 10/3/19	Mr. Joseph M. Cohen Chester, CT C&S	Thank you letter and response to the C&S Committee RE: Complaint of Mr. Meyers case #C-01-19. ACTION: _____ _____
d. Correspondence received 10/28/19	Sara A. Sharp, Esq. Hurwitz Sagarin Slossberg & Knuff, LLC C&S	A-04-19 Request for Continuance of hearing (<i>see item #b for details</i>) ACTION: _____ _____
e. Request for Appeal Received 10/29/19	Philip R. Sherman, P.E. C&S	A-17-19 Appeal of Philip R. Sherman, P.E. RE: Sections 403.1.1 and 403.2, of the proposed 2021 IPC which appears to allow multi-user toilet facilities to

		<p>serve all genders. [238 Church Street, Middletown, CT] <i>denial</i> to utilize the proposed language of the referenced sections of the 2021 IPC.</p> <p>ACTION:</p> <hr/> <hr/>
<p>f. Certificate of Emeritus 10/31/19</p>	<p>Bonnie Becker, Director Office of Education and Data Management C&S</p>	<p>The Office of Education and Data Management will retire Fire Marshal certification for John Kananowicz effective 09/26/19).</p> <p>ACTION:</p> <hr/> <hr/>
<p>g. Correspondence Received 10/31/19</p>	<p>Philip R. Sherman, P.E. C&S</p>	<p>A-17-19 APPELLANT WITHDREW APPEAL. RE: Sections 403.1.1 and 403.2, of the proposed 2021 IPC which appears to allow multi-user toilet facilities to serve all genders. [238 Church Street, Middletown, CT] <i>denial</i> to utilize the proposed language of the referenced sections of the 2021 IPC.</p> <p>ACTION:</p> <hr/> <hr/>

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. 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 _____ 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) **C-01-19** Formal Complaint and request for a formal investigation from Mr. Joseph M. Cohen, Chester, CT RE: Robert M. Meyers, State Licensed Building Inspector, 76A East Haddam Colchester Turnpike, Moodus, CT. Refer to Sargent, Wilfred Blanchette, Connecticut State Police, Fire and Explosion Unit. A certified letter was sent to Mr. Cohen acknowledging receipt of complaint. A certified letter was sent to Mr. Robert Meyers regarding complaint (copy of complaint was attached). The Complaint and a letter asking Sargent Blanchette to assign an investigator to review the case, associated allegations, and making a recommendation to the panel. Received CSP Report and Supporting documentation regarding the complaint file by Joseph M. Cohen against Robert Meyers, Building Official. Admin will email report to C&S Committee and will be discussed at October 2019 Meeting. **A Motion (M. Musco) was made and Seconded (C. Smith) for discussion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion Carried. A Motion was made (M. Musco) and Seconded (T. DiBlasi) to dismiss the complaint. All in favor. None opposed. Motion Carried. Staff Counsel will draft letter addressing dismissal of appeal. Letter was mailed out 10/17/19.**

- e) **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. Hold on agenda.**
- f) **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. Panel assigned/Hearing TBS: Keith Flood (Chair); Mike Sinsigalli (panel); Don Harwood (panel); William Zoeller (alternate). Hold on agenda.**
- g) **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 (1/9/19). Hold on agenda.**
- h) **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. Hold on Agenda.**
- i) **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. Hold on agenda.**
- j) **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.**
- k) **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.**

9) GOOD OF THE ORDER

The next Codes and Standards Committee meeting is set for **Wednesday, December 11, 2019, 1:00 p.m.**, and will be held in the **2N Room B**, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut.

10) ADJOURNMENT