FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

NOVEMBER 17, 2016

The meeting was called to order by David Waskowicz, Chairperson, on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: David J. Waskowicz - Unlimited Journeyperson,

Chairperson

Robert W. Hollis, III – Unlimited Contractor Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyperson

Kevin Griffith – State Fire Marshal Anthony D. Moscato – Public Member

Members Absent: Kevin Wypychoski – Unlimited Contractor

Keith Flood – Local Fire Marshal John Michalewicz – Public Member

Board Vacancies: Public member

DCP Board Staff: Richard M. Hurlburt, Director

Karen Layman, Secretary

Others Present: Commissioner Jonathan A. Harris

Theodore Doolittle, Director, Occupational and Professional

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Enforcement Unit

Tammie Whiting, Department of Labor

John Abbate, Jr., FPT/NFSA

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board reviewed the October 20, 2016 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board draft minutes and voted unanimously to accept as corrected.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

APPLICATIONS:

(See "New Business")

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems

Proposed Licensure for Limited Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems Work license

At the October Fire Protection Board meeting, the Board voted unanimously to investigate a limited license category for multipurpose residential fire sprinklers in one and two family dwellings per NFPA13D, with the training and exam to be determined by the Board, DCP, and DOL.

At today's meeting, the Board reviewed the Proposed Regulations for Licensure for Limited Residential Fire Sprinkler Work Draft Revision dated November 4, 2016.

After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to move forward with the Limited Residential License categories of F-7/F-8 as presented.

Correspondence related to Limited Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems Work license

The Board reviewed an email from Kevin Wypychoski dated October 21, 2016 regarding suggested changes to language for this proposed license category.

Board so noted.

2. Memorandum of Understanding

A meeting took place on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 regarding the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), at which the memorandum was signed by Occupational Licensing Boards.

Commission Jonathan Harris and Director Theodore Doolittle appeared at today's meeting and a discussion took place regarding changes in procedures for reviewing applications and enforcement hearings due to the MOU and steps to be taken by the Department and the Board in order to incorporate these changes, such as designating a board member to act as a liaison to consult with Office of Apprenticeship Training (OAT) for application review, and participation in training which will be offered to board members as a refresher on proper procedures for enforcement hearings. The Board voted unanimously to appoint Chairperson David Waskowicz as the liaison to the OAT, and if he is unable to make the meeting when needed, he will contact another member to attend.

3. Request for clarification on Department of Labor's apprenticeship requirements for business owners

The Board reviewed an email from Assistant Attorney Raul Rodriguez dated October 31, 2016 regarding this matter.

Board so noted.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clarification on procedures for lapsed licenses

Chairperson David Waskowicz inquired about the procedure for the reinstatement of lapsed licenses. It was confirmed that a license lapsed under two years can be automatically reinstated, and that a license lapsed over two years can be reinstated upon receipt of proof that the licensee remained in the fire protection sprinkler work trade during the time that the license was lapsed.

2. The following applications were added to the agenda by Board vote:

Richard Fisher, Hamilton, OH – (F-2) Unlimited Fire Protection Sprinkler Journeyperson

The Board voted unanimously to deny due to lack of apprentice completion certificate from Sprinkler Fitters Local 669.

Jerry Rowland, Jr., Amelia, OH – (F-2) Unlimited Fire Protection Sprinkler Journeyperson

The Board voted unanimously to deny due to lack of apprentice completion certificate from Sprinkler Fitters Local 669.

Richard Moore, Wilder, KY - (F-2) Unlimited Fire Protection Sprinkler Journeyperson

The Board voted unanimously to deny due to lack of apprentice completion certificate from Sprinkler Fitters Local 669.

Kyle Zurface, Seaman, OH – (F-2) Unlimited Fire Protection Sprinkler Journeyperson

The Board voted unanimously to deny due to lack of apprentice completion certificate from Sprinkler Fitters Local 669.

Robin Zurface, Greenfield, OH – (F-2) Unlimited Fire Protection Sprinkler Journeyperson

The Board voted unanimously to deny due to lack of apprentice completion certificate from Sprinkler Fitters Local 669.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

DCP OCCUPATIONAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT:

1. The Board reviewed the complaint report submitted by Richard M. Hurlburt, Director for the period of January 1, 2016 to October 31, 2016 consisting of open, closed, and dismissed cases.

<u>COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:</u>

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman, Board Secretary

2017 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- March 9, 2017
- May 11, 2017
- July 20, 2017
- September 14, 2017
- November 9, 2017

All meetings will take place at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT at 10:00 a.m.