STATE CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE (C&S)
Minutes, Wednesday, August 12, 2026 – 1:00 p.m. (Teams-online)
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1) CALL TO ORDER

2) ATTENDANCE/ROLL CALL

Anthony Bruno (Public Health Official)
Anthony Cinicola (Building Official) VICE CHAIR
Brian Liistro (Builder, Multi-Family) - Absent
David McKinley (Public Member, Accessibility) CHAIR
Donald Doeg, Esq. (Public Member)
Donald Harwood (Public Member)
Greg Chandler (Builder, Remodeler)
Hank Cullinane (HVAC Trades)
Ilona Prosol (Professional Engineer, Fire Protection)
John Butkus (Architect)
Johnny Carrier, P.E. (Builder, Single-Family) - Absent
Keith Flood (Local Fire Marshal) SECRETARY
Louis J. Free (Architect)
Michael Musco (Professional Engineer, Electrical) – Absent
Michael Sinsigalli (Local Fire Marshal)
Paul Costello (National Building Trades Labor)
Raymond S. Steadward, Jr. (Building Official)
Terry Deveney (Builder, Commercial)
Thomas DiBlasi (Professional Engineer, Structural)
Timothy Mikloiche (Electrical Trades)
Weijun Allen Mei (Energy Efficiency)
Carleton Pember (Plumbing Trades)
Josye Utick (Public Member) – Absent

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE June 10, 2026, MEETING.

Keith flood makes motion to approve minutes with adjustments to attendance. Donald Hardwood seconds motion. All in favor.

4) COMMUNICATIONS:

SUBJECT & DATE RECEIVED	FROM	DESCRIPTION
A-26-18 Request for appeal received 7/6/2026	**Richard Zona Jr.**	**[15 Pink Row, Uncasville, CT 06382] Request for appeal of a decision of the Uncasville building official regarding permits.**

		Panel assigned: Raymond S. Steadward (Chair), Greg Chandler, Donald Harwood, Thomas DiBlasi (Alternate)
A-26-19 Request for appeal received 7/15/2026	**Mohsen Youssef**	**[95 Granby St., Bloomfield, CT 06002] Request for appeal of decisions from the Bloomfield building official and fire marshal.** Panel assigned: Michael Sinsigalli (Chair), Greg Chandler, Anthony Cinicola, Jack Butkus (Alternate)
A-26-20 Request for appeal received 8/6/2026	**Adam Petriella**	**[137B & 139B 139 Lewis St. Naugatuck, CT 06770]** **Request for appeal of OSFM modification denial** **Mod Denial. #26-0375 regarding PART IV, Sec. 7.1.5.1 of 2022 Conn. Fire Safety Code – minimum headroom and ceiling height requirements** **Mod. Denial #26-0376 Part IV, Sec. 7.1.5.3 of 2022 Conn. Fire Safety Code – minimum headroom on stairs and stair landings.** Panel assigned: Keith Flood (Chair), Louis Free, Thomas DiBlasi, Timothy Mikloiche (Alternate)

5) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Codes Amendment Subcommittee – (L. Free) Nothing new to report. Codes are still with reg review. Legal update: A meeting took place with housing advocates and reg review. Waiting for a response to follow up questions.

b) Ethics/Procedural Regulations Subcommittee – (D. Harwood) Legal review being done on Committee documents. Once review is finished, Ethics Subcommittee to review.

6) OLD BUSINESS

7) NEW BUSINESS

a) Staff Report

i) Omarys Vasquez, State Building Inspector – Waiting for reg review on codes. OSBI fully staffed.

ii) Lauri Volkert, State Fire Marshal – Celebration of OSFM 125th year to be hosted in Willimantic with fire marshal training.

iii) Rebecca Tamborra, Staff Counsel – No update

b) Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee – (Keith Flood & M. Sinsigalli) No update

c) Training Councils:

i) Building Code Training Council – (M. Musco) No update

ii) Fire Marshal Training Council – (Keith Flood) No update

d) Report on Bills – (O. Vasquez) – Bills coming into effect Oct. 1 from previous session. OSBI and OSFM to use new email distribution platform to sign up for things like advisories and technical information along with a website update.

8) APPEALS/COMPLAINTS

a) **C-25-03:** Complaint received 9/29/2025 from Ken Beaudoin against the **Bozrah building official**, Doug Colter, for denials or delays on permit issuance, rejection of items that received prior approval, code compliance issues, and additional negligence issues. **Compliance Panel assigned: Johnny Carrier (Chair); Ilona Prosol; Brian Liistro; Terry Deveney (Alternate).**

b) **C-26-01**: Building official complaint received 4.20.2026 from Pete Powojski of Accelerated Electrical Services LLC. Complaint received against the town of **Thompson building official**, Jon Noelle, for threat of penalties, inappropriate communication, enforcement issues, and a no show on an inspection.

c) **C-26-02:** Building official complaint received 5.3.2026 from Mohsen Youssef. Complaint received against the town of **Bloomfield building official,** Dwight Carlson, for building code violations, Conn. General Statute violations, harassment, and negligence.

d) **C-26-03:** Building official complaint received by mail from Cynthia Fontaine Complaint received against the Town of **Plainfield building official**.

e) **A-25-12:** Request for appeal received May 21, 2025, from Russel Bush **[96 East Mountain Rd., Canton, CT 06019]** Appeal from the local building official regarding a permit for an accessory structure. Panel assigned: Anthony Cinicola (Chair), Timothy Mikloiche, Raymond S. Steadward, David McKinley (Alternate). Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2025, at 9am. Hearing not held. Hearing held November 17, 2025, at 11am. Continuance to be scheduled for legal issue. Hearing to scheduled. Confirmed with Appellant he wishes to proceed.

f) **A-25-18**: Request for appeal received Sept. 5, 2025, from Joseph A. Kubic, Esq. on behalf of Tranquillitas, LLC **[75 Melba St. Milford, CT 06460]** Appeal of local building official violation notice. Panel assigned: Jack Butkus (Chair), Johnny Carrier, Raymond Steadward, Brian Liistro (Alternate). **Hearing was scheduled for November 7, 2025. Received rescheduling request from Appellee's attorney. Hearing rescheduled for January 28, 2026, 9am. Received rescheduling request from Appellant's attorney January 19, 2026.** Email sent confirming appeal. Appellant to proceed with hearing. To be scheduled.

g) **A-25-20**: Request for appeal received 9/11/2025 from David M. Cohen Esq. on behalf of RMS 74 Broad Street LLC **[74 Broad St., Stamford, CT 06901]** Appeal of the decision of the Stamford Building Dept. regarding permit costs. Referred to legal. Panel assigned: Raymond Steadward, Timothy Mikloiche, Terry Deveney, David McKinley (Alternate). Hearing held February 18, 2026, 9 am. Continued hearing and deliberations held March 6, 2026 9am**.** Decision to be sent within 90 days (6/4/2026). Decision sent. Remove from the agenda.

h) **A-23-11:** Reconsideration from Steven Venditti, Request for Appeal received 8/14/23 from Steven Venditti, PE, Spark Fire Protection Engineering LLC. RE: **[100 York Street, New Haven, CT]** State Fire Marshal's denial that the building does not meet the requirements for code sections 31.3.9.5.2 and 31.3.5.9.3. **Panel assigned: Keith Flood, Chair; Donald Harwood, Panel; Louis Free, Panel; Timothy Mikloiche, Alternate. Hearing to be scheduled.**

i) **A-26-02:** Request for appeal received February 2, 2026, from Aleksandr Fromzel **[900 Hope St. Stamford, CT; Saffron Properties]** Request for appeal on OSBI modification denial regarding IBEC sections 1004.1 and 1011.2.1 having to do with a sprinkler system in a R-2 building. Panel Assigned: Michael Sinsigalli (Chair), Brian Liistro, Ilona Prosol, Anthony Cinicola (Alternate). Hearing held June 6, 2026 at 10am. Decision to be sent in 90 days (9/4/2026).

j) **A-26-05:** Request for Appeal received 3/3/2026 from Thomas Cronin **[824 Marshall Phelps Rd., Windsor, CT]** Request for appeal from the decision of local building official Jeffrey Kertanis regarding permits and Section 105.5. Panel assigned: Michael Sinsigalli, Keith Flood, Timothy Mikloiche. Hearing held June 23, 2026 at 9am. Decision to be sent in 90 days (9/21/26).

k) **A-26-06:** Request for appeal received via mail from Marc Petrin, **Architect [230 East Main St., Branford, CT]** Request for appeal of the Branford's Building Official regarding fire-protection upgrades for the building (NFPA 13 sprinkler system). Potential issue regarding timeliness of submission. **Panel assigned: Michael Sinsigalli (Chair), Ilona Prosol, Raymond S. Steadward, Terry Deveney (Alternate).** Anthony Cinicola recused himself. Appellant withdrew appeal. Remove from agenda.

l) **A-26-07:** Request for appeal received via mail from Cynthia Fontaine **[641 Plainfield Pike Rear/00 Plainfield Pike, Moosup, CT]** Request for appeal of the Plainfield Building Official regarding Notice of Unsafe Conditions. **Panel assigned: Johnny Carrier (Chair), Louis Free, Jack Butkus, Greg Chandler (Alternate).** Hearing scheduled for June 1, 2026. Appellant requested continuance. Hearing scheduled for August 19, 2026 at 10am.

m) **A-26-08:** Request for appeal received 4.24.2026 from Carolina Cudemus Jones **[100 College St. New Haven, CT 06510]** Request for appeal of an OSBI modification denial (case no. M-26-0118) regarding Section 903.3.1.1 of the 2021 IBC portion of the 2022 Conn. State Building Code – sprinkler systems. Panel Assigned: David McKinley (Chair), Donald Harwood, S. Steadward Terry Deveney and Ilona Prosol recused themselves. Hearing held August 4, 2026, at 9am. Deliberations held August 7, 2026. Decision to be sent in 90 days (11/5/2026).

n) **A-26-09**: Request for appeal received 4.24.2026 from Carolina Cudemus Jones **[100 College St. New Haven, CT 06510]** Request for appeal of an OSFM modification denial (mod request no. 26-0119) regarding Section 903.2 of the 2022 Conn. State Fire Safety Code Part III – automatic

sprinkler systems. Panel Assigned: David McKinley (Chair), Donald Harwood, S. Steadward Terry Deveney and Ilona Prosol recused themselves. Hearing held August 4, 2026, at 9am. Deliberations held August 7, 2026. Decision to be sent in 90 days (11/5/2026).

o) **A-26-10**: Request for appeal received 5.12.2026 from John Mancini **[**53 Rye Hill Drive **Southington, CT 06489]** Request for appeal of a building official's decision regarding solar panel instillation. **Panel Assigned: Paul Costello (Chair), Timothy Mikloiche, Terry Deveney, Ilona Prosol (Alternate).** Appellant requested withdrawal. Remove from agenda.

p) **A-26-11:** Request for appeal received by mail from Sally Anderson **[439 Pepper Ridge Rd. Stamford, CT 06905]** Request for appeal of the local building official's decision regarding an electrical permit (Code section 210.52C3 of the 2020 NEC). **Panel Assigned: Johnny Carrier (Chair), Louis Free, Paul Costello, Timothy Mikloiche (Alternate).**

q) **A-26-12**: Request for appeal received by mail from Jennifer Cascone **[782 Main St. N Southbury CT 06488; Evergreen Inc. LLC]** Request for appeal of OSFM modification denial # 26-0107 of the 2022 Conn. Fire Safety Code Part IV Section 6.1.8.6 guest rooms for bed and breakfast establishments. **Panel Assigned: Jack Butkus (Chair), Louis Free, Michael Sinsigalli, Terry Deveney (Alternate).**

r) **A-26-13**: Request for appeal received May 20, 2026, from Thomas F. Hibbard **[125 Sherman St. Hartford, CT; Hartford International University]** Request for appeal from the decision of the OSBI regarding section 3002.7 common enclosure with stairway. **Panel assigned: Raymond S. Steadward (Chair), Hank Cullinane, Terry Deveney, Brian Liistro (Alternate).**

s) **A-26-14:** Request for appeal from Acorn Stairlifts, Inc**. [35 Bridge St. Westport, CT; Saugatuck Condominiums]** Request for appeal of OSBI modification denial (Case No. L-26-0112) to allow an inclined stairway chairlift with a vertical rise of three floors in a means of egress stairway of a three-story R-2 use. **Panel assigned: David McKinley (Chair), Brian Liistro, Timothy Mikloiche, Greg Chandler (Alternate).**

t) **A-26-15** Request for appeal from Sylviones Geffrard **[4 Rosewood Lane, Bloomfield, CT]** Request for appeal of OSBI modification denial (Case No. M-25-0843) to allow a height of 5 ft 10 in. under ductwork in an existing basement being converted into habitable space (Sec. R305.1 Exception 3 of the 2021 IRC portion of the 2022 CSBC). **Panel assigned: Donald Harwood (Chair), Thomas DiBlasi, ~~David McKinley~~ Louis Free, Johnny Carrier (Alternate).**

u) **A-26-16** Request for appeal from Sean Gerrity of Glengate **Company [10 Harding Lane Westport, CT]** Request for appeal of OSBI modification denial (Case No. M-26-0255) to allow 17.75 deep step landing. **Panel assigned: Johnny Carrier (Chair), Ilona Prosol, Terry Deveney, Anthony Cinicola (Alternate).**

v) **A-26-17:** Addition to A-26-02 from Aleksandr Fromzel **[900 Hope St. Stamford, CT; Saffron Properties]** Request for appeal of OSFM modification denial (mod. No. 25-0012) to use the existing fire alarm system in lieu of sprinklers (Part III, section 903.2.8 of the 2022 CSFSC). Appellant requested withdrawal. Remove from the agenda.

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9) GOOD OF THE ORDER

Introduction of new member Carleton (Chip) Pember.

10) ADJOURNMENT

Keith Flood makes motion to adjourn. Don Harwood seconds. All in favor.

Codes and Standards Committee
January 2026 - December 2026

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