

MINUTES

ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE WORK EXAMINING BOARD

JUNE 18, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairperson John DeRosa on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 9:09 via Zoom Webinar.

Members Present: John R. DeRosa, Jr., Elevator Craftsman,
Acting Chairperson
Paul Farnsworth, Unlimited Contractor
Peter Kalousdian, Unlimited Contractor
Dale Clayton, Public Member
Thomas O'Reilly, Unlimited Contractor
Todd Johnston, Public Member

Members Absent: Michael Griffin, Elevator Craftsman

Board Vacancies: Public Member

DCP Board Staff: Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, Occupational and
Professional Licensing
Karen Layman, License & Application Analyst

Board Council Present: None

Others Present: Pamela Brown, Director, Investigations Division
Janita Hamel, Supervising Special Investigator

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division, Richard M. Hurlburt, Director. For more information, refer to website: www.ct.gov/dcp. E-Mail: dcp.occupationalprofessional@ct.gov

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board reviewed the draft minutes of the March 12, 2020 Elevator Installation, Repair, and Maintenance Work Examining Board meeting and voted to approve as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

A complaint report dated 03/01/20 to 5/31/20 was submitted by the Investigations Division. Pamela Brown and Janita Hamel were in attendance to provide an overview.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Residential Stair Lift Technician License Subcommittee

At the March 12, 2020 meeting a subcommittee was formed to review current regulations and training requirements for the RSL license and make recommendation for proposed changes. Proposed changes will be brought to the Elevator Work Examining Board meetings, and then submitted to the Department.

The Residential Stair Lift Technician License Subcommittee comprised of Board Members John DeRosa and Paul Farnsworth did not present any recommendations at today's meeting.

The Board tabled this matter for further discussion at the next scheduled meeting taking place on September 24, 2020.

2. Letter from United States Consumer Product Safety Commission to Governor Ned Lamont dated August 6, 2019 regarding safety concerns associated with the installation of residential elevators as it pertains to this correspondence.

At the December 12, 2019 meeting, the Board reviewed this correspondence and voted unanimously to draft a letter to the Bureau of Elevators to request that they amend the regulations to reflect the 3/4 4 inch rule as it pertains to residential elevators.

At the March 12, 2020 meeting, John DeRosa informed the Board that this letter had not been sent out yet, and it was determined that Board Members Paul Farnsworth and Dale Clayton will assist John DeRosa in drafting this letter.

The Board tabled this matter for further discussion at the next scheduled meeting taking place on September 24, 2020.

3. Raised Bill No. 269 – An Act Concerning Certification of Independent Inspectors and Inspection Firms To Perform Elevator, Escalator And State Building Code Inspections

At the March 12, 2020 meeting, the Board determined that if Raised Bill No. 269 is passed into law, the health, safety, and welfare of the general public will be jeopardized. The Board voted unanimously to notify the Department that this Board is opposed to the enactment of Raised Bill No. 269 and requested that DCP send notice to the Public Safety and Security Committee of the Board’s opposition.

At today’s meeting, the Board requested that the Department follow up on this request. Board staff will forward the minutes approved today and point out within the minutes this section of concern above to the Commissioner of Consumer Protection.

4. Application Review Working Group

At the March 12, 2020 meeting, the Board requested that DCP allow them to have an Application Review Working Group as some of the other occupational licensing boards have.

At today’s meeting, the Board requested that the Department follow up on this request. Board staff will forward the minutes approved today and point out within the minutes this section of concern above to the Commissioner of Consumer Protection.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Application report

The Board reviewed the application report dated 3/10/20 to 6/05/20.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Layman, License and Applications Analyst

2020 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- September 24
- December 10