

**FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK
EXAMINING BOARD**

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 20, 2018

The meeting was called to order by David Waskowicz, Chairperson, on Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 10:01 a.m. at 450 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT, 06103, Hearing Room J.

Members Present: David J. Waskowicz - Unlimited Journeyman,
Chairperson
Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyman
Robert W. Hollis, III – Unlimited Contractor
Kevin Wypychoski – Unlimited Contractor
Kevin Griffith – State Fire Marshal
Anthony D. Moscato – Public Member

Members Absent: Keith Flood – Local Fire Marshal
John Michalewicz – Public Member

Board Vacancies: Public member

DCP Board Staff: Karen Layman, License and Application Analyst

Others Present: Commissioner Michelle Seagull
Leslie O'Brien, Legislative Program Director
Pamela Brown, Director, Investigations Division
Janita Hamel, Supervisor, Investigations Division
John Abbate, Jr., NFSA
Michael Young, NFSA
Dave Dorean, Local 669
Bill Abbott, Office of State Fire Marshal

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board reviewed the draft minutes from the July 19, 2018 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting and voted unanimously to approve as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

John Abbate, Jr. inquired about attendance procedure for Board members, in particular, how many meetings members are required to attend in one year to in order to remain a member on the Board.

Note: All members serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

APPLICATIONS:

1. Application report

A report including applications approved from July 11, 2018 to present was provided for the Board's review.

Board so noted.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Multipurpose Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems

- Update on status of proposed regulations for F5/F6 license categories provided by David Waskowicz and Robert Hollis

David Waskowicz reported that the regulations are still in progress at this time.

- Update on curriculum for F5/F6 license categories provided by David Waskowicz and Robert Hollis

David Waskowicz shared an email with the Board from David LaFond, NFSA, dated September 19, 2018, stating that the curriculum has not yet been completed, therefore, it is not available for this meeting. It is expected to be completed in October. David Waskowicz will notify the Board when it is available.

2. MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) update regarding meeting with DCP Commissioner Michelle Seagull, attended by David Waskowicz

Commissioner Michelle Seagull informed the Board of the topics discussed at a recent meeting with the Commissioner and Occupational Licensing Board Chairpersons, which included the MOU and related topics such as enforcement and the license application process, outreach to building officials, continuing

education audits, and the anonymous complaint process. The Board reiterated their concerns regarding the lack of applications coming before the Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2018/2019 Board, Commission, and Council Schedule

The Occupational Professional Licensing Division will *not* be conducting any board or commission meetings in December 2017 or January 2018 due to the reorganization of division staff assignments.

Board so noted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. National Fire Protection Association article dated August 15, 2018 entitled **Connecticut Approves New building And Fire Codes After Stripping Key Safety Requirements.**

Board so noted.

DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

1. Pamela Brown provided a demonstration of the online complaint process, including anonymous complaints.
2. Janita Hamel provided a complaint report dated July 1, 2018 to August 28, 2018 and provided an overview.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
License & Application Analyst

2018 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- November 15, 10:00 a.m.

All meetings will take place at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT at