

MINUTES

FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

OCTOBER 27, 2009

The meeting was called to order by David J. Waskowicz, Chairperson, at 9:34 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 – Contractor
Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyperson
Ralph Carl Miller – Fire Marshal
Anthony D. Moscato – Fire Marshal
Luis A. Coreano – Public Member
James M. Barry – Public Member
John Michalewicz – Public Member

Members Absent: Kevin Wypychoski – Contractor

Board Vacancies: One Public Member.

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon
Linda Roberts

Public Present: Tammie Whiting
Paul Lunney
Jeffrey Dupont

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 MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the September 1, 2009 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting with amendments to page-5, striking the last paragraph under “Comments From The Public Present” which reads (It was determined after the conclusion of the meeting that Mr. Miller’s comments were somewhat in error, that his office filed a complaint concerning a different contractor at the same facility, and not Harrington Engineering) and reflecting it as a foot note and not part of the Board’s meeting minutes; and adding to page-5 under “Complaints”, the Board requesting a follow-up from DCP Trade Practice concerning the complaint regarding Louis W. Ford, Jr., Docket Number 2008-48 which was closed on 5/2/09.

APPLICATIONS

David J. Anderson, Annapolis, MD – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Anderson’s application due to lack of a required (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman license for a minimum of two years.

Robert J. Augusto, Worcester, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Augusto’s application due to notarized statement from employer (Augusto Sprinkler Co., Inc.) not reflecting that Mr. Augusto worked 8,000 hours.

Christopher Elliott, South Hadley, MA – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Elliott’s application.

Michael W. Haluch, Somers, CT – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Haluch’s application.

Lawrence R. Pendergast, Norwich, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Pendergast’s application.

Eric C. Rieve, Danbury, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Rieve’s application.

William M. Roberts, Winchendon, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – No Action

Mr. Roberts did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Richard M. Weckwert, Ledyard, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Weckwert’s application.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The Board voted unanimously to have all Fire Protection complaints come before them for a hearing and recommendation. The Board expressed concern for life safety issues, repeat offenders, and that the Board should be determining what work qualifies as fire sprinkler licensable work.
2. The Board is requesting a representative from DCP Trade Practice appear before them at their next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 22, 2009 to answer questions of the Board concerning complaints referenced on the complaint status report provided to them (i.e.: nature of complaint, allegations, respondents involved, work performed, project location, alleged violations, etc.).
3. Mr. Waskowicz said that the DCP website for downloading a roster of licenses is being updated and would like to know when it will be available.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Ms. Whiting asked to be copied the Board meeting agendas via e-mail.
2. Ms. Roberts will communicate with Mr. Waskowicz concerning the Board meetings being moved to the first Wednesday every other month.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon
Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 22, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. in Room-117.