

**STATE CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**November 12, 2015**

1. The Vice-Chair called to order the regular meeting of the State Codes and Standards Committee. The meeting was held in the conference room (room 532) at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

2. **In Attendance:**

- Carlton Smith, Vice- Chair
- Anthony Bruno
- Paul Costello
- Thomas DiBlasi
- Donald Doeg
- Robert Hanbury
- Donald Harwood
- George Iskra
- David McKinley
- Michael Musco
- Glenn Neilson
- Eric Shutt
- Michael Sinsigalli
- Fred Wajcs, Jr.
- William Zoeller

**Also Present:**

- Joseph Cassidy, OSBI
- William Abbott, OSFM
- Don Vigneau
- Bill Nash, ICC
- Lafond, NFSA
- Joanne Rees, AIA CT

3. Attendance was taken and a quorum was present. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the October 14, 2015 meeting. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

**4. COMMUNICATIONS**

a. **Correspondence from Bill Ethier, CAE, CEO and General Counsel, Home Builders & Remodelers Association of CT re liability of C&S members re code adoption. On 10/28/15 forwarded to C&S members.**

- b. **A-6-15. Appeal of John Casey, Esq., re New London Building Official's decision re New London Harbor Lighthouse, Pequot Avenue, New London, CT. See section Appeal Hearings 8.b. On 10/27/15 appellant withdrew appeal.**
- c. **A-7-15 (A-D) Appeal of Amy Blume, Esq., re New Haven Building Official's decision re:**
  - A) 89 Union Avenue (Great Green Building, Unit 6, New Haven, CT**
  - B) 89 & 169 Union Ave., and 94 Columbus Ave., New Haven, CT**
  - C) 89 Union Ave. (aka Cinque Green Building), New Haven, CT**
  - D) 89 Union Ave. (Great Green Building, Units 1-6, New Haven, CT**See section Appeal Hearings 8.c. On 10/29/15 appellant requested 60 day postponement.

## **5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. **Codes Amendment Subcommittee: (Free)**

This subcommittee will meet today. The next meeting will be on November 24, 2015 at 1:00 in room 532. There was no report.
- b. **Ethics/Procedural Regulations Subcommittee: (Harwood)**

There was no report.

## **6. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Letter from David Waskowicz, Chairman, State of CT, Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board re residential sprinkler requirements forwarded to legal counsel on 10/16/15 for review and comment. Hold on agenda.
- b. 2 Vacancies
  - Organized Labor Vacancy (previously held by Christopher Cozzi)
  - Contractor-HVAC Trades (previously held by Michael Nero)
  - Joe Cassidy advised work is progressing to fill both vacancies.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Staff Report**

There was no report.
- b. **Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee (Harwood & Sinsigalli)**

There was no report.

c. **Joint Building Code Training Council (Musco)/ Fire Marshal Training Council (Harwood)/ (aka Joint BCTC/FMTC)**

This committee did not meet this month.

d. **Report on Bills**

Joe Cassidy advised that a package was being prepared for the Legislature's review.

**8. APPEAL HEARINGS**

a. **A-10-14. Appeal from Bruce Spiewak re State Fire Marshal's decision re FM-0263-14 re Sandy Hook School, Building 2, 12 Dickinson Drive, Newtown, CT. Appeal panel was not set. On 10/8/14 appellant requested appeal be tabled until the November meeting. On 12/10/14 appellant requested this appeal be postponed until a draft determination is made by the Codes Amendment Subcommittee re what parts of Chapter 10 (Fire Code and Building Code) will be recommended for approval. Reason for modification denial stated in part that, "C&S had not addressed that section of the code yet." Hold on agenda.**

b. **A-6-15. Appeal from John Casey, Esq. re New London Building Official's decision re New London Harbor Lighthouse, Pequot Avenue, New London, CT. Panel consists of Henry Miga, Chair; Carlton Smith and Louis Free. Fred Wajcs, Jr. will be the alternate. Hearing set for October 14, 2015 was not held. On 9/14/15 appellant requested postponement pending New London's Zoning Board of Appeals decision of 9/24/15 hearing. On 10/16/15 certified letter sent to appellant requesting status of appeal and to respond in writing by Friday, 10/30/15. On 10/27/15 correspondence received from appellant withdrawing appeal. Remove from agenda.**

c. **A-7-15 (A-D) Request for appeal from Amy Blume, Esq., re New Haven Building Official's decision re**

**A) 89 Union Avenue, (Great Green Building, Unit 6), New Haven, CT  
re no permit**

**B) 89 Union Ave., 169 Union Ave., and 94 Columbus Avenue, New Haven, CT  
re failed roof coverings in 17 buildings**

**C) 89 Union Avenue (aka Cinque Green Building), New Haven, CT  
re roof coverings & water infiltration**

**D) 89 Union Avenue (Great Green Building, Units 1-6), New Haven, CT  
re means of egress. Panel consists of Robert Hanbury, Panel Chair; Fred Wajcs, Jr. and Henry Miga. Glenn Neilson will be the alternate. Hearing set for November 10, 2015 was not held; on 10/29/15 appellant requested 60 day postponement. Hearing rescheduled to Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 10:30 in room G38. Hold on agenda.**

**9. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Vote for Codes and Standards officer positions will occur in December. Please contact Keith Flood if you might be interested in serving as Chair, Vice-Chair or Secretary.

The next Codes and Standards Committee meeting is set for **December 9, 2015** and will be held in conference **room G38**, at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

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David McKinley, Secretary

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