

MINUTES

FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

MARCH 22, 2012

The meeting was called to order by David J. Waskowicz, Chairperson, at 9:00 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
Luis A. Coreano – Public Member
Anthony D. Moscato – Fire Marshal

Members Absent: Kevin Wypychoski – Contractor
John Michalewicz – Public Member

Board Vacancies: One Public Member
One Fire Marshal

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon
Richard M. Hurlburt
Anthony Santoro, Esq.

Public Present: Tammie Whiting, CT Dept of Labor Apprenticeship Rep
Kevin Malarney
Jerry Bauer
John Nadeau, Jr.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the February 23, 2012 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting with amendments to page-4 under “New Business” to reflect Mr. Hurlburt reporting on proposed legislation to extend the time period for renewing a lapsed license.

APPLICATIONS

David A. Harbec, Windham, CT – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved

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

Thomas W. Ray, Jr., Russell, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Ray’s application due to lack of required notarized statements from occupational employers attesting to 8,000-hours of occupational related experience and lack of required 720-hours of school related experience documentation.

Michael P. Redman, Meriden, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

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

Jonathan W. Wells, Farmington, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

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

LATE ARRIVING APPLICATIONS

(The Board voted unanimously to review the following late arriving applications)

Luc Boucher, Terryville, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Boucher’s application due to lack of a required apprenticeship completion certificate.

John Nadeau, Jr., Portland, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Nadeau’s application based on receipt of a re-issued apprenticeship completion certificate and school related experience documentation covering current subject matter. Final approval of his application is contingent upon receiving an occupational trade license application.

REQUESTING REINSTATEMENT OF LAPSED LICENSE

Kevin J. Malarney, Branford, CT – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor (Lapsed 10/31/10)

The Board voted unanimously to deny reinstatement of Mr. Malarney's license and is requiring him to re-apply and re-test for his license.

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Waskowicz asked Mr. Hurlburt for a status on the proposed legislation to extend the time period for renewing a lapsed license and Mr. Hurlburt said he has no response to the proposed legislation yet.

Mr. Waskowicz asked Mr. Hurlburt if legislation was proposed to include the word "Testing" to the occupational license scope of work under CT General Statute Chapter 393. Mr. Hurlburt said he is not aware of any proposed legislation to add "Testing" to the scope of work for under the CT General Statute Chapter 393. Mr. Waskowicz said he was told that it was Mr. Hurlburt's recommendation to include the word "Testing" as an update to the scope of work language. Mr. Waskowicz said that NFPA-25 includes the word "Testing" which would require physical inspection work and not just visual work. To test a system requires disassembly and replacement of parts which is part of the maintenance of a system. "Inspection" by definition under NFPA-25 is a visual examination of a water based fire protection system or portion thereof to verify that it appears to be in operating condition and is free of physical damage. "Maintenance" by definition is work performed to keep equipment operable and making repairs. "Testing" by definition is a procedure to determine the status of the system as intended by conducting periodic physical checks on water based fire protection systems such as water flow test, fire pump test, alarm test, trip testing, dry pipe valves and preaction valves. These test are a follow-up to an original acceptance test. Mr. Waskowicz expressed concern regarding unlicensed individuals performing any maintenance, inspection and/or testing of a fire sprinkler system.

NEW BUSINESS

Robert Barrieau, Heating Board Chairperson appeared before the Board today to discuss the proposed legislation to add the word "Testing" to the scope of work for occupational licenses covered under CT General Statute Chapter 393.

2012 Meeting Schedule

9:00 a.m. in Room-117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford

- **January 26 – Thursday**
- **February 23 – Thursday**
- **March 22 – Thursday**
- **April 19 – Thursday**
- **May 17 – Thursday**
- **June 14 – Thursday**
- **July 12 – Thursday**
- **August 9 – Thursday**
- **September 6 – Thursday**
- **October 4 – Thursday**
- **November 1 – Thursday**
- **November 29 – Thursday**
- **December 27 – Thursday**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon
Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 19, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in Room-117.