

## MINUTES

### FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

June 27, 2013

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  
Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyperson  
Robert W. Hollis, III – Unlimited Contractor  
Kevin Wypychoski – Unlimited Contractor  
Edward Peznowski – Fire Marshal  
John Michalewicz – Public Member

**Members Absent:** Anthony D. Moscato – Fire Marshal

**Board Vacancies:** Two Public Members

**Dept. of Consumer Protection Staff Present:** Richard M. Hurlburt, Director  
Karen Layman, Board Secretary

**Dept. of Consumer Protection Legal Staff:** Steve Schwane, Esq.

**CT Dept. of Labor Apprenticeship Rep:** Tammie Whiting

**Public Present:** Troy Spath

**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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**MOTION TO AMEND AGENDA:**

The Board voted to amend the agenda to reflect the swearing in of Mr. Edward Peznowski as the first order of business in today's meeting.

**SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBER:**

Attorney Schwane swore in Mr. Edward Peznowski as a new member of the Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 30, 2013 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting with the following amendments:

- 1) Amendment to Page 2, under the heading of "Minutes of Previous Meetings", to reflect that the May 2, 2013 minutes were approved *as corrected*, with an amendment to page 3 under "Old Business", which was the addition of the word "systems" to the following sentence, "The Board continues to maintain that state statute requires an F-1 or F-2 license to install residential sprinkler systems."
- 2) Amendment to Page 3, "Old Business, Media Release" to reflect Director Richard Maloney clarifying for the Board that complaints can be made by persons other than the consumer.

It was also noted that the agenda and minutes can be found by clicking on the following link:  
<http://www.ct.gov/dcp/cwp/view.asp?a=1624&Q=276064&PM=1>

**COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:**

None

**APPEARING IN PERSON SEEKING GUIDANCE:**

**Lance Hall**

Mr. Hall did not appear; no action taken.

**APPEARING IN PERSON TO APPEAL DENIAL:**

**Angela Morello-Lange, Boonton, NJ – (F-1) Unlimited Contractor**

Ms. Morello-Lange did not appear; no action taken.

**Troy Spath, Easthampton, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman - Denied**

The Board advised Mr. Spath to provide the Board with an apprenticeship completion letter from Massachusetts for further consideration.

**NEW APPLICATIONS:**

**Michael Haigh, North Providence, RI – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted to deny due to lack of proof of the required hours of related instruction.

**Christopher Horan, Newington, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved**

The Board voted to approve Mr. Horan's application.

**Carl Seam, Tariffville, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved**

The Board voted to approve Mr. Seam's application.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Residential Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems**

The Board continued to discuss the ongoing issue of licenses required to install these multi-purpose piping sprinkler systems.

The Board expressed concern over the fact that the Plumbing Board's minutes have included this topic and stated recently that Chairperson Chuck Appleby intends to meet with the Commissioner of DCP.

Licensing currently requires an F-1 with F-2 employees for the sprinkler portion. There are several potential problems to be considered with these multi-purpose systems regarding improper installation and maintenance if not performed by a properly qualified person.

References:

- 1) IRC Section 313
- 2) NFPA 13D

Director Richard Hurlburt stated that this Board may join the Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board at its next meeting of July 18, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:**

There were no closed complaints to review for the current month.

**COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,  
Board Secretary

**The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 25, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 117**

**Remaining 2013 Meeting Schedule:**

- July 25 – Thursday
- August 22 – Thursday
- September 19 – Thursday
- October 17 – Thursday
- November 14 – Thursday
- December 12 – Thursday

**Meetings will take place at 9:00 a.m. in Room 117 at Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT**