

FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK
EXAMINING BOARD - MEETING MINUTES

August 29, 2024

Chairman Waskowicz called the meeting to order at 9:20 am.

Board Members Present:

David J. Waskowicz	Unlimited Journeyperson, Chairperson
Kevin Griffith	State Fire Marshal
Anthony Moscato	Public Member

Board Members Not Present:

Keith Flood	Local Fire Marshal
Kevin Wypychoski	Unlimited Contractor
Wayne Roderick	Unlimited Journeyperson

Board Vacancies: (1) Unlimited Contractor
 (2) Public Members

DCP Staff Present

John Mesner, Occupational Trades Manager
Janita Hamel, Supervising Special Investigator
Rachelle Hyburg, Board Coordinator

Public Present

Ian Alexander

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Investigations Division. For more information, refer to DCP Agency website: www.ct.gov/dcp.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

- Review of the May 30, 2024, Meeting Minutes.
 - Board Member Moscato made a motion to approve the minutes. Board Member Griffith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

- None

DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

- 05.01.24-06.30.24
 - 1 closed and 1 open

DCP LEGAL DIVISION

- None

OLD BUSINESS

- Backflow Discussion
 - No updates at this time

NEW BUSINESS

1. Chairman Waskowicz provided an update from the MOU meeting he attended, including that his concerns about the Board vacancies were communicated to DCP.
2. Applications for Review
 - a) Ian Alexander - FRP.41849-F-1
 - The application was denied in the application working group due to not holding an F-2 for the two-year requirement and lacking equivalent related instruction.
 - Extensive discussion with the applicant regarding their OJT hours and the equivalency of the applicants related instruction
 - The Board entered executive session at 10:39 am
 - The Board exited executive session at 10:55 am
 - Board Member Griffith made a motion that the applicant's on the job training has been approved, but must provide proof of related hours of instruction in accordance to the F-2 requirements. Once a comparative analysis is completed, that documentation can be sent to DCP for review. As long as they meet the requirements, the agency can approve the applicant sit for the F-1 exam. Board Member Roderick seconded the motion. The motion passed (2-0-1) Abstention: Chairman Waskowicz.
 - Chairman Waskowicz made a motion to refer to Lund Fire Products to enforcement for review/investigation. The motion was not seconded.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Email from Board Member Wypychoski regarding holding the Board meetings virtually or hybrid.
 - Further discussion on accessibility issues with having only in-person meetings. The Board also discussed potential member candidates to fill some positions.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

- DCP's Rachelle Hyburg approached the Board about changing the date for the next meeting to avoid any attendance issues with the holiday.
 - Board Member made a motion to change the next meeting date to November 20th. Board Member seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Roderick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Griffith seconded the motion. Chairman Waskowicz adjourned the meeting at 11:25 am.

2024 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE:

November 20