

Technical Codes and Standards Board Meeting Minutes
Department of Public Safety, Office of State Fire Marshal (via Zoom)
March 21, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Sauschuck, Commissioner of Public Safety, Board Chair/ <input type="checkbox"/> Chair delegate Greg Day | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marc Veilleux, representing the State Fire Marshal's Office (standing in as Board Chair) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Stambach, CEO representing a Municipality that is not a Service Center Community | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Lister, CEO representing a Municipality that is a Service Center Community |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carl Chretien, representing Residential Builders | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Randy Poulton, representing Commercial Builders | <input type="checkbox"/> David Matero, representing Maine Chapter of the American Institute of Architects |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Dube, representing Structural Engineers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Pullen, representing the Maine Historic Preservation Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Kim Cheslak (resigned), Energy Efficiency Representative |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Martel, Mechanical Engineer (due to no camera availability, could not participate in vote/contribute to quorum) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jay Horr, Lumber Material Dealer | <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Stoddard, Representing Efficiency Maine |

Staff Present: Paul Demers, Shannon Quintal

1. Call to Order – Determination of Quorum
Meeting started at 9:03AM. Quorum confirmed.
Introduction of board members.
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda as written.
Motion by Carl Chretien, second by Mike Pullen.
8 in favor, 0 opposed.
3. Review and approval of the minutes:
 - A. January 25, 2024 Meeting Minutes –
Motion to accept the January 25, 2024 minutes.
Motion by Carl Chretien, second by Mike Pullen.
7 in favor, 0 opposed, Randy Poulton abstained.
 - B. January 30, 2024 Meeting Minutes-
Motion to accept January 30, 2024 minutes.
Motion by Carl Chretien, second by Mark Stambach.
7 in favor, 0 opposed, Randy Poulton abstained.
 - C. February 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes –
Motion to accept February 15, 2024 minutes.
Motion by Carl Chretien, second by Mike Pullen.
Discussion: Change references of “the office” to “SFMO” and move last sentence in #8 to #7.
Motion to accept February minutes as amended.
Motion by Randy Poulton, second by Mike Pullen.
8 in favor, 0 opposed
4. Report from Board Chair:
 - A. Financial Update – \$876,386.54

5. Legislative update:

A. Current Legislative session update –current session working on supplemental budget, no new known bills that affect MUBEC.

Richard McCarthy will be sending LD207 Report to the Board.

6. Staff Report:

A. Recent training update – Mike Day and Brent Lawson have been presenting their plumbing class around the state and will teaching a full-day class geared towards new LPs on March 26. Paul Demers is working with ICC to secure training for the 2021 Code, primarily on IRC, IBC and IMC.

B. Community College Update- close to finalizing curriculum for a 12-week course for Code Officer education, ICC has provided the B-1 exam curriculum.

C. Bruce Smith- Paul Demers shared the news of Bruce Smith's passing, and shared his history as president of MBOIA and as a group brought together stakeholders and was part of the creation on MUBEC Board.

D. Paul Demers shared he has accepted position and will be resigning from his current position in May.

Proposal for minutes to include appreciation to Paul Demers for service and leadership over the last 3.5 years.

Resolve by Randy Poulton, second by Carl Chretien.

8 in favor, 0 opposed.

E. Paul Demers, involved with ICC Consensus committee, gave an overview of the 2024 energy codes - nine appeals, two of which came from region 6, and summarized the details of the request.

7. Unfinished Business:

A. Review Overall MUBEC update Status – Paul Demers provided the Board with an update to the status of Rule chapters in process. Due to Paul's departure and vacant Energy representative, Eric Dube recommended tabling the stretch code until there is a new Energy representative.

Motion to reconsider the December 21, 2023 vote to adopt the 112 page custom stretch code.

Motion by Eric Dube, second by Carl Chretien

8 in favor, 0 opposed.

Motion to adopt the 112 page custom stretch.

Motion by Randy Poulton

Motion failed for lack of second.

Further discussion on the Stretch code tabled until next meeting. Tom Lister requested the possibility of someone from ICC to provide at the next meeting when it is anticipated that the 2024 IECC will be in effect.

B. Third Party Inspection certification– Randy Poulton's request for a standing agenda item until resolved to review the TPI certification process.

C. Canadian Indoor Air Standard – Randy Poulton brought up the Canadian Air Standard and the request to see it before voting to adopt. The SFMO will attempt to obtain a copy of the standard for discussion at future meetings.

D. Amend legislative report letter – Randy Poulton indicated this item should be included under unfinished business as previous discussions indicated amending the legislative report letter on the Boards concerns of LD2053.

8. New Business:

A. Board Appointment Status – Paul Demers provided an update on Board member term expiration dates.

9. Public Comments:

Greg Gilbert: Provided additional comment on the submitted appeal of the 2024 IECC.

Matt Hunter: Shared a link to the Greg Johnson testimony at the IECC appeal process for insight on the perspective of special interest groups. <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/transcript-testimony-supporting-appeals-draft-2024-energy-johnson-4wonc/>

Next Scheduled Meeting: To Be Determined

No business taken up past 9:55 AM due to lack of quorum.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon Quintal, Administrative Assistant