# UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE ADVISORY BOARD Minutes of Meeting, June 14, 2024

# **Meeting held Electronically via Microsoft Teams**

### Attendance

**Board Members** 

Beth Pochtar, Chair
Tony Neibert, Vice Chair
Charles Baldanza
Kathy Herity
Art Londensky
Bob Mellohusky
Steven Rodzinak
Bill Tevald
Valerie Waricka
Michelle Wood

#### DCA Staff

Toritseju Agbeyegbe Anthony Menafro
Rob Austin Erin Mifka
Scott Borsos Ian Rayfield
Marie Daniels Keith Thedinga
John Delesandro Dan Tober
Keith Makai Ed Smith

Adam Matthews

#### **Public Attendees**

Public attendees joined using a registration link, and only those who registered and announced themselves will be listed herein.

Meeting called to order at 9:35 a.m.

# A. Approval of Minutes of the Code Advisory Board Meeting December 8, 2023

Tony Neibert made a motion, which was seconded by Valerie Waricka to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

### **B.** Subcode Committee Reports

*Plumbing Subcode Committee* – Steven Rodzinak reported that the Committee met and discussed the agenda and other items. Additionally, he requests DCA staff aid the Committee in putting together draft language concerning changes to N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.15 and 2.15A, as noted in previous Committee meeting discussion. Rob Austin agreed and stated DCA staff will begin work on drafting language to bring to the Committee for review.

*Electrical Subcode Committee* – Tony Neibert reported that the Committee met twice and discussed the agendas and other items.

*Fire Protection Subcode Committee* – Art Lodensky reported that the Committee met and discussed the agenda and other items.

### C. Old Business

No old business to discuss.

#### D. New Business

- 1. 2024 Model Code Adoption Part 1
  - a. Plumbing Subcode (NSPC/2024) N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.15
     Rob Austin introduced this item and referred it to the Plumbing Subcode Committee for discussion.
  - Electrical Subcode (NEC/2023) N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.16
     Rob Austin introduced this item and referred it to the Electrical Subcode Committee for discussion.
  - c. Mechanical Subcode (IMC/2024) N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.20 Rob Austin introduced this item and referred it to the Building, Fire Protection, Energy/Mechanical, and Plumbing Subcode Committees for discussion.
  - d. Fuel Gas Subcode (IFGC/2024) N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.22 Rob Austin introduced this item and referred it to the Building, Fire Protection, Energy/Mechanical, and Plumbing Subcode Committees for discussion.
  - e. Swimming Pools & Spa (ISPSC/2024)
     Rob Austin introduced this item and referred it to the Building Subcode Committee for discussion.

Rob Austin noted that the model code Subcode Committee assignments for the Building Subcode, Energy Subcode, and One- and Two-Family Dwelling Subcode will take place at the next Code Advisory Board meeting.

Steven Rodzinak made a motion, which was seconded by Michelle Wood to approve the Committee model code assignments for review. The motion carried unanimously.

### E. Information

1. CAB Tentative Meeting Dates 2024 – 08/09; 10/04 and 12/13

Rob Austin noted that the date for the upcoming October Code Advisory Board meeting was not accurately reflected in the agenda. The meeting will take place on October 4<sup>th</sup>.

- 2. CAB Log
- 3. List of Pending Legislation
- 4. Additional Board Member Comments
  - Tony Neibert, in reference to the statutory requirements of P.L. 2022, c.139, questioned if the responsible person in charge of work is not present upon inspection, can the inspection be cancelled. Department staff confirmed that this is a requirement of the law. Additionally, Tony Neibert stated that there was some confusion regarding written communication for inspections, however, he noted his appreciation for the Department clarifying the process and that issues have been resolved.

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- Bill Tevald noted a typo on page two of the Mechanical Subcode review document. He states that it should read "tube" instead of "type."
- Art Lodensky requested that the Fire Protection Subcode Committee review the NEC/2023. Rob Austin noted that this may not be an option given that additional books would need to be ordered, however, Department staff will work with the Committee on this matter.

# F. Public Comments

N/A

# G. Adjourn

Tony Neibert made a motion, which was seconded by Steven Rodzinak, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

### H. Executive Session

The executive session was called to order at 9:55 a.m.

The executive session was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.