

Technical Codes and Standards Board Meeting Minutes
Department of Public Safety, Office of State Fire Marshal (via Zoom)
September 13, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

- Michael Sauschuck, Commissioner of Public Safety, Board Chair/ Chair delegate (former) Richard McCarthy
 Chair delegate Greg Day

Marc Veilleux,
representing the State Fire
Marshal's Office

Mark Stambach, CEO representing a
Municipality that is not a Service Center
Community

Tom Lister, CEO representing a
Municipality that is a Service Center
Community

Carl Chretien, representing
Residential Builders

Randy Poulton, representing
Commercial Builders

David Matero, representing Maine
Chapter of the American Institute of
Architects

Eric Dube, representing
Structural Engineers

Mike Pullen, representing the Maine
Historic Preservation Commission

Kim Cheslak, Energy Efficiency
Representative

Steve Martel, Mechanical
Engineer

Jay Horr, Lumber Material Dealer

Michael Stoddard, Representing
Efficiency Maine

Staff Present: Paul Demers, Shannon Quintal

1. Call to Order – Determination of Quorum
Meeting started at 9:02AM. Quorum confirmed.
Introduction of board members.
Richard McCarthy introduced Greg Day, Assistant State Fire Marshal, as the new
Commissioner of Public Safety's Chair Delegate. Richard McCarthy also acknowledged
Mike Pullen as the last original member still on the Board.

Carl Chretien joined the meeting by audio only – without visual, cannot be considered as
present.
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda as written.
Motion by Marc Veilleux, second by Tom Lister.
3. Review and approval of the minutes.
A. July 20, 2023 Minutes - Deferred to the September 21, 2023 meeting.
4. Report from Board Chair: No update provided.
5. Legislative update: No update provided.
6. Staff Report – Deferred to the September 21, 2023 meeting.
7. Unfinished Business:
A. Review Chapter 3 – Marc Veilleux displayed the draft of Chapter 3 and continued
review from where the last meeting left off. Randy Poulton had provided a document

with comments on Chapter 3 that was shared with the Board prior to the meeting and Paul Demers addressed the comments in the document during review of the related sections in Chapter 3. Marc Veilleux made revision to the document at the time of discussion.

Motion to approve as written Section 903.2.8 exception.
Motion by David Matero, second by Steve Martel

Discussion on language in the exception and intent.
Motion to make additional amendments to language per discussion.
Motion by David Matero, second by Mike Pullen

Motion to approve as written Section 903.2.8 exception with amendment to add “single story” to item number one and add an item number eight requirement for signage to indicate the maximum occupancy.
6 in favor, 1 opposed (Marc Veilleux)

Motion to amend Section 903.2.8 exception to remove item number three “All sleeping areas shall be located on the ground floor.”
7 in favor, 0 opposed

Motion to make insertion of “This exception does not apply to egress elements and is for plumbing fixture count purposes only” into the exception in Section 1004.5.
Motion by Mark Stambach, second by David Matero.
7 in favor, 0 opposed.

Motion to remove exception from 1031.3.1.
Motion by Mark Stambach, second by Marc Veilleux.
7 in favor, 0 opposed.

Motion to delete Section 3109.1 and insert the proper statutes referencing the DHHS requirements for commercial pools.
Motion by Marc Veilleux, second by David Matero.
7 in favor, 0 opposed

Next Meeting: Review cleaned up Chapter 3 document for final vote and discuss Appendix N and Appendix O.

8. New Business/Code Update: Deferred to September 21, 2021 meeting.

9. Public Comments:

Bill Nash, ICC, recommended consideration of the Pool and Spa Code. Richard McCarthy, State Fire Marshal, noted that the swimming pool code cannot be listed with the other codes unless it goes through legislature and can only refer to it by reference.

Greg Gilbert: Comments in reference to Section 903.2.8, concern about maintaining the idea of a higher level of safety for transient residential occupancy and not requiring sprinklers. The other concern was about removing the point about it only being on the ground floor and in the IBC, mezzanines are not considered a separate floor.

Next Scheduled Meeting: September 21, 2023 at 9:00 AM

Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Marc Veilleux, second by Eric Dube.

Meeting adjourned at: 10:48 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon Quintal, Administrative Assistant