

Technical Codes and Standards Board Meeting Minutes
Department of Public Safety, Office of State Fire Marshal (via Zoom)
May 11, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Marc Veilleux,
representing the State Fire
Marshal's Office | <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 type="checkbox"/> Randy Poulton, representing
Commercial Builders | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Matero, representing Maine
Chapter of the American Institute of
Architects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eric Dube, representing
Structural Engineers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Pullen, representing the Maine
Historic Preservation Commission | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kim Cheslak, Energy Efficiency
Representative |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Martel, Mechanical
Engineer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jay Horr, Lumber Material Dealer | <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Stoddard, Representing
Efficiency Maine |

Staff Present: Rich McCarthy, Paul Demers, Shannon Quintal, Greg Day

1. Call to Order – Determination of Quorum

Meeting started at 9:02 AM. Quorum confirmed.
Introduction of board members.

2. Approval of Agenda

The focus of the meeting is Chapter 6 review. Regular agenda items to be reviewed at the May 18, 2023 meeting.

Motion to approve agenda.

Motion by Mike Pullen, second by Kim Cheslak

Passed unanimously

3. Review and approval of the minutes – to be reviewed at the May 18, 2023 meeting.

4. Report from Board Chair

A. Financial Update - to be reviewed at the May 18, 2023 meeting.

5. Legislative update – Bill status updates to be reviewed at the May 18, 2023 meeting.

Legislature has suspended all rules of notification of a hearing or a work session.

6. Staff Report:

- A. Building Safety Month – The Governor's proclamation that May is officially building safety month in the State of Maine, a good opportunity to promote it and share it amongst different resources out there and do some outreach.

7. Unfinished Business:

A. Chapter 6 review of IECC 2021 (Chair update) – Paul Demers and Kim Cheslak reviewed the draft of the Chapter 6 rule with the Board.

Items of discussion from review:

- I. Section 4 “effective date” revision – Board to determine if it’ll go into effect immediately once the rule making process is complete or decide on a specific date for all chapters.

- II. Stretch Code section listed as an Appendix in the Chapter instead of “Section 7”.
- III. Monitor a bill looking to require commercial buildings that meet certain parameters to be solar ready that would direct adoption the appendix.
- IV. When using acronyms, at first mention write out the name to identify what the acronym stands for.
- V. Section 6 - #2 references a 2009 Edition. Kim Cheslak will double check the edition referenced for accuracy.
- VI. Include “Seasonal Dwelling” definition reference.
- VII. Related to Section 6 #4 – “Board of Appeals” is in Appendix RA – to be discussed for deletion as well.
- VIII. Section 6 #7 Table
 - Discussion of using 7.5 instead of 10 ci, with the conclusion to leave it as 10, and any value used that’s less than 10 requires a dew point calculation.
 - Kim Cheslak will make a revision to note it does not apply to cavity-only as an exception.
- IX. Section 6 #12 and #14 will be removed.

Richard McCarthy has asked that the Board take time to review the information individually and bring any questions to the May 18th Board meeting.

8. New Business/Code Update:

A. Schedule TAG meetings additional Chapters – IBC and IRC TAG have been completed and need to incorporate information into rule format for review. Paul Demers is still working on trying to coordinate a time with another state agency to discuss IMC and Fuel Board rules before scheduling another IMC TAG meeting.

9. Public Comments:

No public comment made.

Board member comment:

Request to look into options to get the state specific amendments in one place for the professionals that need to know them. Paul Demers has had some discussions with ICC on potential of incorporating Maine specific changes into the electronic version and will need to get more information on cost and funding availability.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 9:00am

Meeting adjourned at: 10:04 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon Quintal, Administrative Assistant