

Plumbing Board
Product and Code Review Committee Minutes
February 27, 2008 – 9:30 a.m.
Minnesota Room – Department of Labor and Industry
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Committee Members Present:

Lawrence G. Justin
John A. Parizek
Karl Abrahamson
Allen J. Lamm
Randy Ellingboe

Staff Present:

Patricia Munkel-Olson
Cathy Tran
Annette Trnka
Jim Peterson
Charles Olson

Committee Members Absent:

None

Visitors:

Charles Higgins
Don Osland
Bob Wolf
Mike Lipke
Dan Dropik

Board Members Present:

Rebecca Ames
Ronald Thompson

I. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Larry Justin at 9:31 a.m.

II. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Parizek moved and was seconded by Lamm to remove agenda item IV(B)(iii)(3). The vote was unanimous and the motion passed. Parizek moved and was seconded by Abrahamson to accept the Agenda as amended. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

III. Regular Business

- A) Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.** The Minutes of the 1-30-08 Product and Code Review Committee were amended to differentiate between Committee Members Present and Plumbing Board Members Present. Motion to approve Minutes as amended made by Lamm, seconded by Ellingboe. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.
- B) Scheduled meeting dates.** A motion was made by Parizek and seconded by Abrahamson to have the next Product and Code Review Committee meeting on

March 26, 2008, at the MNDOT facility at 9:30 a.m. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

IV. Special Business

A) Review of Request For Action form.

- i. Ellingboe went through the form content and described the need for the items listed in the Request For Action (“RFA”) form. Committee members and Counsel added input on revisions still needed for the Request For Action Form, including under number “3” to include instruction that all sections of the Plumbing Code affected by the proposed change be listed. A farming economic impact question needs to be included under question 8 or number 11. Thompson brought up the cost of providing the Standards when submitting the RFA form. The Department of Labor and Industry has only one copy of each standard, and since multiple submissions of RFAs could be utilizing the same standard, it was determined that the responsibility of providing the Standard will stay with the Submitter. It was recommended that a “fiscal impact” definition be included under number 8(E). It was stated that a question should be inserted before question number 9, asking if there are any existing federal standards. It was decided that check boxes for “Not Applicable” and “Unknown” be included under question number 9. The “For Office Use Only” box was discussed, stating that “Committee Recommendation to the Board” be added, along with the date the Submitter was notified of the outcome of the Committee’s/Board’s decision. Having a link to example “filled out” RFA forms was discussed and staff will investigate the plausibility of that.

The meeting broke at 10:44 and resumed at 10:52.

- ii. **DLI staff to report on the possibility of having a list of “in progress” RFAs posted to the Board or Committee website.** Ellingboe said that DLI would like to tie in the RFA form to the “in progress” list by the RFA File number that is assigned to each request, the Title, Submitter name and date it was received. This could be a table that is posted to the Board’s web site. Justin said that the section of the Code that it involves should also be displayed.

B) Minnesota Plumbing Code

- i. **Review of past approved items of the Plumbing Code Advisory Committee (PCAC) with SONAR; section 4715.2280.** Motion made by Lamm, seconded by Abrahamson to table this item so that DLI and MDH staff and other interested parties can review the wording and further information can be made available, addressing remote locations. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

ii. DLI Proposed Code Revisions:

1. 4715.0100 – definitions, subparts 3, 4, & 5. Motion by Parizek for Staff to check with State Revisor on the Revisor’s suggestion of wording of the headnote and then present to the Plumbing Board the Revisor’s suggestion, seconded by Abrahamson. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

The meeting broke at 12:08 p.m. and resumed at 1:02 p.m.

iii. Review of PCAC Outstanding Requests For Action:

1. DLI to report on Siphonic Roof Drainage System, 5/23/07 PCAC. Add section 4715.2790. Motion made to suspend the Agenda to look at Siphonic Roof Drains made by Lamm, seconded by Parizek. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed. Motion made by Lamm, seconded by Abrahamson to table this item until DLI staff can do further research on concerns staff has regarding engineered systems, plan review and inspections and also check with submitter on what his experience has been getting acceptance with incorporating into local and state code bodies; Staff to report their findings at the next Committee meeting. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried. The Board would like DLI staff to research whether a general code addresses Siphonic roof drains or engineered systems and, if so, how it was addressed. Because of the number of research items DLI has to do, the language will not be ready in time for the next Committee meeting.
2. DLI to report on CPVC for Water Distribution, 11/28/07 and 6/27/07 PCAC. 4715.0420. Motion made by Ellingboe, seconded by Parizek to move this item up on the Agenda. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried. Motion made by Parizek, seconded by Abrahamson to have legal staff review the assumption that if 2.5 inch pipe is tested and passes, and 6 inch pipe also passes test, that the smaller sizes in between would also pass; if staff would confirm that Southwest Research Institute is a qualified independent testing laboratory; and confirm that the type of pipe utilized for the test was Schedule 80 pipe; and joining method of fittings and fitting type/schedule as per manufacturer’s recommendation; and to forward to the Board if all of the above is in the affirmative. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

The meeting broke at 2:52 p.m. and resumed at 3:06 p.m.

iv. DLI Proposed Code Revisions (Resumed):

1. 4715.0420 subpart 3 – 6S Polyethylene Pipe. Motion to pass this item with recommendation to approve to the Plumbing Board

made by Abrahamson, seconded by Lamm. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

2. 4715.1000 – Location – Motion to forward to the Plumbing Board with a recommendation to approve made by Ellingboe, seconded by none. Motion to forward to the Board with a recommendation to reject made by Abrahamson, seconded by Parizek. Ellingboe voted nay, Justin, Parizek, Abrahamson and Lamm voted Aye. The majority ruled and the motion passed.
3. 4715.1000 – Location. Motion to create a definition for fouling waste and remove ~~“liquid substances or wastes which will likely”~~ and add “fouling waste may” made by Abrahamson, seconded by Ellingboe. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed. Parizek moved and was seconded by Lamm to table this item and the remainder of the Agenda until the next meeting. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

V. Open Forum

None

VI. Discussion

No further discussion.

VII. Announcements

A) Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting:

- i. Wednesday, March 26, 2008, 9:30 a.m. – MNDOT, 222 Plato Blvd. East, St. Paul, MN 55107-1618

XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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