

MINUTES  
BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS  
CONFERENCE MEETING & CERTIFICATION HEARING  
February 17, 2023

The Board of Building Standards Conference Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Friday, February 17, 2023 at 6606 Tussing Road, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, Chairman Timothy Galvin presiding.

Ms. Regina Hanshaw, Executive Secretary, called the roll and reported that the following Board members were present:

Julienne Cromwell, Structural Engineer  
Joseph F. Denk, Jr., Mechanical Engineer  
Timothy P. Galvin, General Contractor, Chair  
John Johnson, Construction Materials  
Don Leach, Attorney  
Terry McCafferty, Public Member  
Christopher Miller, Renewable Energy  
John Pavlis, Homebuilder, Vice-Chair  
Jeff Samuelson, Architect  
Bailey Stanbery, Homebuilder  
Jeff Tyler, Architect  
Christie Ward, Mayor  
Greg Warner, Fire Service

The following Board members were absent:

Paul Yankie, Energy Conservation

A quorum of the Board was present.

The following staff members were present:

Megan Foley, Certification Program Administrator  
Debbie Ohler, Construction Codes Administrator  
Jay Richards, Assistant Construction Codes Administrator  
Robert Johnson, Assistant Construction Codes Administrator  
Mike Regan, IU Plans Examiner  
Pam Butts, Office Assistant  
Laura Borso, Building Department Administrator  
Jacob Erwin, AAG

There were no visitors present.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES**

Mr. McCafferty moved and Mr. Denk seconded to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **CERTIFICATION HEARING**

Chairman Galvin opened the hearing to hear testimony on the individuals and building departments appearing on the Final Certification Hearing Agenda in the Board's Meeting Packet at the Hearing tab. Ms. Foley informed the Board that the individuals and departments appear on the hearing agenda have been reviewed by the Certification Committee and determined to meet the requirements of certification.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

CR-1 Certification Committee Report

Mr. Leach gave the committee's report included in the Board's Meeting packet at Tab CR-1:

The Certification Committee met on February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in the BBS Library, 6606 Tussing Road, at 10:00 AM, with the following members present: Mr. Leach, Mr. McCafferty, Mr. Samuelson, Mr. Stanbery, Mr. Tyler, Ms. Ward, and Mr. Warner. Board Chairman Timothy Galvin was also present. The Committee makes the following recommendations, included in the February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Board Packet at Tab CR-1, for the Board's consideration.

Also present at the meeting were BBS Staff, Regina Hanshaw, Megan Foley, and Laura Borso. Guests Jonathon Merriman and Josh Hettinger attended virtually, to discuss his applications before the committee.

Recommend the following applications be approved following a certification hearing effective immediately unless otherwise noted on the certification hearing agenda:

Cert ID:	Name	Certification Granted
9041	Birnesser, Anthony	Building Inspector
1745	Borso, Laura	Residential Building Inspector
8990	Budrevich, Gerald	ESI Trainee – Alternative Trainee Plan Approved
6099	Butler, Jason**	Mechanical Inspector Residential Building Inspector Residential Mechanical Inspector
5694	Carpenter, Laurin	Residential Building Inspector
9033	Connelly, William	Building Official Building Plans Examiner Plumbing Plans Examiner Plumbing Inspector Building Inspector Electrical Safety Inspector*
2396	Convery, Timothy	Residential Building Inspector
8403	Cornelius, Eric	Residential Building Inspector
415	Eifert, Robert	Building Plans Examiner
9028	Estep, Aaron	Electrical Safety Inspector*
467	Flood, Drew	Building Official
6274	Fritz, Jason	Residential Building Official Residential Plans Examiner
9011	Gookin, Chris	Electrical Safety Inspector
9047	Hasbrouck, Jonathan	Residential Building Inspector Residential Mechanical Inspector
6287	Hennie, Allison	Master Plans Examiner
9048	Herschbach, Michael	Fire Protection Inspector
5248	Hettinger, Josh	Building Official
6163	Lewis, Stephanie	Master Plans Examiner
6332	Martin, Richard	Building Plans Examiner
9038	Merriman, Jonathon***	Building Inspector Residential Building Official
9043	Miller, Doug	Master Plans Examiner
5473	Molnar, Stephen	Building Official
8980	Oliver, Christopher	Residential Building Official
9034	Ortiz, Eric	Electrical Safety Inspector*
9037	Pool, David	Residential Building Inspector
5339	Powell Jr., Lawrence	Building Official
5384	Pugh, Robert	Fire Protection Inspector
8999	Roberts, David	Non-Residential Industrialized Unit Inspector Residential Industrialized Unit Inspector

9046	Sawyer, Andre	Fire Protection Inspector
9044	Schneider, Brett	Plumbing Inspector
4819	Stillion, Clifford	Building Inspector
9045	Sullivan, Troy	Fire Protection Inspector
9031	Treft, Ty	Building Inspector
5684	Turic, Dario	Mechanical Inspector
9019	Wheeler, Donald	Building Inspector
9036	Wilkinson, Frederick	Building Inspector
6267	Wilson, R. Heath	Building Official
9032	Worth, Leighton	Residential Building Inspector
5767	Dover, Jeremy	Residential Building Official

\*Electrical Safety Inspectors must complete examinations prior to issuance of interim certification

\*\* Denotes approval conditioned on receipt of forms or fees or other conditions.

\*\*\*Mr. Tyler abstained from discussion or vote on this candidate.

^ Approved after ordinary committee business concluded.

Building Department Certifications, Manufactured Homes Inspection Agency/Inspectors  
 Village of Brice – Rescission of Building Department Certification, Commercial and Residential  
 Request to rescind certification approved.

Personnel Certification Applications

Recommend the following applications be denied, additional information be requested, or other action as noted:

Downard, Dylan - BI, Additional Information

Certification ID: 9000

Current Certifications: None

Committee Recommendation: Application tabled to March for input from applicant.

Convery, Timothy - RBI, BI

Certification ID: 2396

Current certifications- ESI since 1985

Committee recommendation: Request additional information on structural commercial experience for BI.

Gookin, Chris - BI

Certification ID# 9011

Current certifications: none

Committee recommendation: Request additional information on structural commercial experience for BI.

Kovacic, Andrew - FPI

Certification ID: 9040

Current Certifications: None

Committee Recommendation: Request additional information on qualifying fire Inspection work, since FSI granted 2019.

Moore, Lawrence - BI

Certification ID: 8423

Current Certifications: None (FPI Interim expired 7/2022)

Recommend request for additional information on structural experience.

Committee Recommendation: Request additional information on structural commercial experience for BI.

Oliver, Christopher – BI

Certification ID: 8980

Current certifications- ESI

Committee recommendation: Request additional information on structural commercial experience for BI.

Yates, Chris - PI

Certification ID:5273

Current certifications- BI, RBI, RBO, RPE

Committee recommendation: Request additional information on plumbing installation subject to building code inspection and approval.

Old Business

None this month

New Business

Complaint Summary Report – reviewed.

Mr. Leach moved and Mr. McCafferty seconded to approve the recommendations of the committee with the exception of the certification approval of Jonathon Merriman.

Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Leach moved and Mr. McCafferty seconded to approve the certification of Jonathon Merriman.

Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously with Mr. Tyler abstaining.

CR-2 Education Committee Report

Mr. McCafferty gave the committee's report included in the Board's Meeting packet at Tab CR-2:

The Education Committee met on February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:00 AM in the BBS Library, 6606 Tussing Road, with the following members present: Mr. McCafferty, Mr. Stanbery, Mr. Samuelson, Mr. Tyler, Ms. Ward, and Mr. Warner. Board Chairman Timothy Galvin was also present. The Committee makes the following recommendations, included in the February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Board Packet at Tab CR-2, for the Board's consideration.

BBS Staff Megan Foley was present for the meeting. Also present via video conference at the meeting were guests Dani Francis of NFSA, to discuss retroactive approval of the NFSA courses, and Ed Lisinski, checking on status of American Wood Council courses, and Charles Huber, to observe.

Courses approved with modification or special circumstances

Pumps for Fire Protection (National Fire Sprinkler Association)

All certifications (8 hours)

Request for retroactive certification of a course presented on January 25.

Committee Recommendation: Approved, with notice to course attendees re course approval and new certificate available.

Standpipe Systems and NFPA 14 (National Fire Sprinkler Association)

All certifications (8 hours)

Request for retroactive certification of a course presented on January 25.

Committee Recommendation: Approved, with notice to course attendees re course approval and new certificate available.

Using Black and White Codes in a World of Grey (Fire Code Academy)

Course Name Change submitted: Code Clarification for the Modern Day World

1 hour, all certifications

Committee Recommendation: Approved with course name change as submitted.

Course applications approved without alteration:  
Special Waste Piping Systems (Ohio Association of Plumbing Inspectors)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Replacement Water Heaters (Ohio Association of Plumbing Inspectors)  
All certifications (1 hour)  
Existing Building instruction

Valves 101 (Ohio Association of Plumbing Inspectors)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Water and Fuel Gas Press Fit Connections (Ohio Association of Plumbing Inspectors)  
All certifications (1 hour)

2023 NEC Changes and Updates Chapters 1-3 (Labriola Training Agency)  
All certifications (4 hours)

2023 NEC Changes and Updates Chapters 3-7 (Labriola Training Agency)  
All certifications (4 hours)

One Hundred 2023 NEC Changes and Updates (Labriola Training Agency)  
All certifications (8 hours)

National Electric Code 2017 Review with Update of Changes (Electrical League of Ohio)  
All certifications (two sessions of 4 hours each)

National Electric Code 2017 Wire and Raceway Sizing for Electrical Systems (Electrical League of Ohio)  
All certifications (4 hours)

NEC 2020 Soares Grounding and Bonding Fundamentals (Ohio Division of Industrial Compliance)  
All certifications (three six-hour sessions)

2023 NEC Changes (Jade Learning)  
All certifications (16 hours)

2023 NEC Code Changes Part 1 (Wink Electric)  
All certifications (5 hours)

2023 NEC Code Changes Part 2 (Wink Electric)  
All certifications (5 hours)

Certified Line Pressure Regulator Training (Maxitrol)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Dry Sprinklers for Commercial and Residential Fire Protection (Victaulic)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Enforcing NFPA 25: Deficiencies, Impairments, Observations (Fire Code Academy)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Fire Pump Plan Review (Fire Code Academy)  
All certifications (1 hour)

General Gas Pressure Regulator Training (Maxitrol)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Key Changes to the 2022 Edition of NFPA 72 (Fire Code Academy)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Mass Timber and Type IV Construction (3-hour version) (American Wood Council)  
All certifications (3 hours)

Mass Timber and Type IV Construction (4-hour version) (American Wood Council)  
All certifications (4 hours)

Plan Examiner Round Table (Columbus)  
All certifications (12 additional hours)

Residential Code Round Table on Sections 328 and 507 (Miami Valley Building Officials Association)  
Residential certifications only (2 hours)

Significant Changes to the NEC 2023 (Electrical Trades Center)  
All certifications (20 hours in three sessions: 8, 8, and 4)

Sizing Building Drains and Stacks (Richardson)  
All certifications (2 hours)

Understanding the Residential Mid-Rise Fire Problem from a Fire Protection Perspective (Fire Code Academy)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Updates to the 2022 Edition of NFPA 13 (Fire Code Academy)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Victaulic VicFlex Sprinklers (Victaulic)  
All certifications (1 hour)

Old Business:  
None this month

New Business:  
None this month

Mr. McCafferty moved and Mr. Warner seconded to approve the recommendations of the committee.

Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### CR-3 Code Committee Report

Mr. Denk gave the committee's report included in the Board's Meeting packet at Tab CR-3:

The Code Committee met on February 16, 2023 with the following members present: Mr. Denk, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Miller, Mr. Pavlis, Mr. Samuelson, Mr. Stanbery, Mr. Tyler, and Mr. Yankie. Board Chairman, Tim Galvin, was also present.

The committee report is included in the February 17, 2023 Board Meeting Packet at tab CR-3 for the Board's consideration.

Call to Order  
The meeting was called to order by Mr. Denk at 1:07 P.M.

Approval of Minutes  
Mr. Tyler made the motion to approve the minutes of the Code Committee meeting held on January 19, 2023. Mr. Stanbery seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Petitions

No items for consideration

Recommendations of the Residential Construction Advisory Committee  
No items for consideration

Old Business

OBC, OMC, OPC Draft rule review

Staff presented the 2021 I-code based Ohio draft rule packages to the committee, highlighted some items that may be of interest to the committee members, mentioned that there will be time to make further revisions to the draft rules prior to filing the rules with JCARR and LSC, and asked that the committee give staff permission to start the stakeholder process.

Mr. Pavlis made the motion to start the stakeholder process with the draft OBC rule package including adding open parking garage sprinkler and standpipe exceptions in Chapter 9 and clarifying the committee intent with the ASHRAE 90.1 modification #1 in Chapter 13. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Staff was directed to bring proposed language fixes for distilleries, wineries, and breweries and for dual smoke alarm technologies to the next meeting.

Mr. Pavlis made the motion to start the stakeholder process with the draft OMC rule package. Mr. Tyler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Pavlis made the motion to start the stakeholder process with the draft OPC rule package including keeping model code in Sections 1003.3.2 and 1003.3.3. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

No items for consideration

Adjourn

Mr. Pavlis made the motion to adjourn at 4:23 P.M. Mr. Stanbery seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Denk moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to approve the recommendations of the committee.

Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

CR-4 Committee-of-the-Whole

Ms. Hanshaw stated that the contract to engage ICC to perform the certification study was finalized and the vendor has begun work.

#### **RATIFICATION OF BOARD RECOGNIZED ACCREDITATION BODIES, CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT BODIES & INDUSTRY TRADE ASSOCIATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS**

No items for consideration.

#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT SUPPORT AND OVERSIGHT**

RE-1 Complaint Summary Report

Ms. Borso presented the complaint summary report included in the Board's meeting packet:

Jeffrey Uroseva, Building Official, Mahoning County Building Department

On January 19, 2023, a complaint was received from Ms. Nicole Carter located at 211 Hamrock Dr., Campbell, OH. She alleged that on January 17, 2023, Mahoning County building department personnel Jeffrey Uroseva, BO, an electrical safety inspector, a plumbing inspector, and building

inspectors had entered her property without consent to the inspect. Ms. Carter also claimed that the Personnel caused damage to her house and belongings and acted unprofessionally.

Board staff contacted Mr. Uroseva to secure preliminary information regarding the incident. Mr. Uroseva indicated he was not present at the inspection. The project is a repair/restoration to an existing residential structure heavily damaged last year by a driver in a vehicle. Ms. Carter is performing as general contractor for her project, having secured sub-contractors to repair her home. According to Mr. Uroseva, the Building Department has been monitoring the situation and found that required inspections for the work have not been completed, and that Ms. Carter has been uncooperative in the process. Mr. Uroseva indicated she has made threats against an electrical inspector. Due to the situation, Department staff had signed incident reports regarding the January 17 inspection, attesting that none of the alleged complaints took place.

Recommendation: Dismiss complaint.

Mr. Leach moved and Mr. McCafferty seconded accept the summary report and staff recommendations included in the Complaint Status Report and dismiss the complaint with no further action as no violation of the Board's rules has been identified.

Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **OB-1 Termination of Contract with DIC – Manufactured Homes Inspector Certification**

Ms. Hanshaw explained that when the Manufactured Homes Commission's duties were transferred to the Department of Commerce, the Division of Industrial Compliance was given responsibilities of certification of manufactured homes inspectors. At the time, the Board entered into a contract with DIC to assume the Division's duties for inspector certification. The Division has now established a program for manufactured homes and is prepared to handle the inspector certification responsibilities. Ms. Hanshaw requested action to provide notification to the Division of termination of the contract.

Mr. Leach moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to direct the Executive Secretary to submit written notification to the Division of Industrial Compliance of termination of the contract between the Board and the Division, where the Board assumed the duties and responsibilities assigned to the Division pursuant RC 4781 to certify individuals and entities to inspect manufactured housing installations. The termination will be effective April 30, 2023.

Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **NB-1 Draft 2024 OBC, OMC & OPC Rules – Action to Initiate Stakeholder Input Process**

Ms. Ohler stated that the Code Committee has now completed its work on draft update to the building, plumbing and mechanical codes to the 2021 model code edition and the rules are now ready to send out to stakeholders for input.

Mr. Denk moved and Mr. Miller seconded to approve the proposed rule package known as Amendments Group 100 and to direct staff to begin the Common Sense Initiative (CSI) process by scheduling a stakeholder meeting to present the rule packages and receive stakeholder feedback on the proposed 2024 Ohio Building, Mechanical, and Plumbing Code rules.



Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

**COMPENSATE BOARD MEMBERS FOR WORK PERFORMED AT THEIR  
REGULAR RATE**

Ms. Hanshaw reported that board members had performed committee and board work for the amount of hours, including board meetings and required training, as follows:

Ms. Cromwell	8	Mr. Pavlis	16
Mr. Denk	16	Mr. Samuelson	16
Mr. Galvin	23	Mr. Stanbery	16
Mr. Johnson	16	Mr. Tyler	16
Mr. Leach	16	Ms. Ward	16
Mr. McCafferty	16	Mr. Warner	16
Mr. Miller	16	Mr. Yankie	16

Mr. McCafferty moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to compensate board members for the work performed at their regular rate.

Chairman Galvin called for the ayes and nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

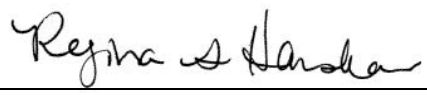
**FUTURE MEETINGS**

March 31, 2023	September 22, 2023
May 12, 2023	October 20, 2023
June 23, 2023	November 17, 2023
August 11, 2023	December 15, 2023

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Miller moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to adjourn. The Board adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

  
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Timothy Galvin, Chairman  
Board of Building Standards

  
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Regina Hanshaw, Executive Secretary  
Board of Building Standards