

Executive Committee of the Plumbing Board
Meeting Minutes
Oct. 21, 2014 at 8 a.m.
Department of Labor and Industry
443 Lafayette Road No., St. Paul, MN 55117-4344

Committee Members

John Parizek – Chair
Jim Lungstrom
Phillip Sterner

DLI Staff & Visitors

Wendy Legge (Chief Gen. Counsel, DLI)
Suzanne Todnem (DLI)
Cathy Tran (DLI)
Jim Peterson (DLI)
Lyndy Lutz (DLI)
Pete Moulton (City of St. Peter)
Richard Hauffe (ICC)
Scott Thompson (MN Plumbing Training)
Gary Ford (Metro Testing)
Gary Thaden (MMCA)

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Parizek at 8:18 a.m. Introductions and housekeeping announcements were made.

II. Approval of Meeting agenda

The regularly scheduled meetings under Announcements should read 8:00 a.m. (not 8:30 a.m.). The agenda was approved as revised.

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Lungstrom, seconded by Parizek, to approve the July 15, 2014 Executive Committee Minutes. The vote was unanimous (one abstention – Sterner) and the motion passed.

IV. Regular Business

Nothing to report

V. Special Business

A) Department Updates

Jeff Brown was appointed to the Plumbing Board for Chad Filek's vacated position.

B) Rulemaking

- Wendy said she wants to talk to Ron Thompson about lines 51.27 and 52.1 where it says "minimum 5 micron absolute filter" and report back to the Plumbing Board.
- Todnem said most of the edits were reviewed in the initial draft and the new draft included a minor edit – line 6.14 – there will now be two terms under Subp. 2 therefore this is only a grammatical correction.
- Line 21.22 – pg. 21, adding the words "a minimum of" before 35 feet
- Page 33, Lines 33.1 and 33.2 – language was revised
- Page 35, line 35.27 – add a comma to 11,200. Also propose correcting "352" to "325"
- Page 59, 59.10 add language "abandoned systems must comply with chapter 11, storm drainage as amended". Her understanding is this is what is intended but not explicitly clear and new language would provide clarity.

- Line 58.12, consider adding the word “catchment” so that the language reads “for rainwater catchment systems....”
- Line 1.8 there is a typo from the Revisor. Should read “SIS 2-2003” not “SIS 2-2013”
- Line 17.7, clarifying language was added and reads as follows: “UPC sections 506.0 to 506.9, including all figures, are deleted in their entirety.
- Page 48, amend “IBC to read “IGC”
- Sterner expressed concern with using “lavatory” compared to “bathroom”. Chair Parizek noted that “lavatory” is not defined specifically but it is a standard.
- Parizek said the proposed changes are minor and will not change the scope; hand-written edits will be reviewed. In addition, the Board will review the SONAR for non-rule-by-rule analysis and completeness. Wendy added that cost is typically the most contentious issue and Parizek said he would ask members to review costs.

C) Complaints

Parizek – Received a complaint dealing with the availability of CE and backflow certifications in the Greater MN area. This issue has been addressed and available classes have increased.

D) Plumbing Board Agenda Review

Parizek discussed the 10/21/14 agenda and noted that the Petition for Variance from Manitou Ridge Golf Course deals with MN Statutes 14.055 and 14.056 – the requirements for variances. He noted that once a “completed” variance is submitted to the Plumbing Board it must be dealt with within 60 days. The Board will review statutes and requirements to determine if the (Manitou Ridge Golf Course) variance is complete. Another variance was received by Parizek on Monday, 10/20/14, regarding gray water systems. Wendy noted that the Board should be directed on how to handle variances and Parizek asked that she guide members through the process.

VI. Correspondence

VII. Open Forum

Gary Ford addressed the Executive Committee and referred to chapter 6, RP valve issues. He noted that the RP should be a 5-year overhaul. Parizek said the Board looked at language specific to Minnesota for ASSE 1013 requirements for RP valves and for manufacturer’s recommendations. Parizek said Board members could vote to amend language.

VIII. Discussion

No discussion

IX. Announcements

Next regularly scheduled meetings – Minnesota Room @ 8:00 a.m.

- i. January 20, 2015
- ii. April 21, 2015
- iii. July 21, 2015
- iv. October 20, 2015

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Lungstrom, seconded by Sterner, to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



John Parizek, Board Chair