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**TO:** Plumbing Code Advisory Council Members  
**FROM:** Frank Shimkus, Plumbing Program Manager  
**DATE:** August 17, 2012  
**SUBJECT:** Minutes- July 23, 2012 Open Plumbing Code Advisory Council Meeting

**Attendance and Meeting Location**

The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. on July 23, 2012 at the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Illinois State Fairgrounds, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, Illinois.

The following were in attendance:

IDPH Staff

Stephen Konya, Chief of Staff (11:25 late arrival)  
David Culp, Deputy Director, Office of Health Protection  
Justin Dewitt, Chief, General Engineering Section  
Frank Shimkus, Manager, Plumbing Program  
Mark Kuechler, Regional Supervisor  
Tiago Maia, Intern  
Irma Anaya Villa, Administrative Assistant

Plumbing Code Advisory Council Members

Jim Flemming  
Dennis Doolan  
Doyle James  
Beverly Potts  
James Majerowicz  
Lincoln Cochran  
Gerald Tienstra

Guests

(None)

**Welcome and Introductions**

Dr. Culp introduced himself and welcomed everyone. All signed for attendance and quorum was established. Self introductions were made by everyone in attendance.

Maia distributed copies of the Plumbing Code amendments.

Culp confirmed that all had received and reviewed the agenda, meeting minutes, bylaws and amendments previously provided by e-mail.

### **Motions**

- A motion was made by Tienstra, seconded by James, to approve the PCAC bylaws
- The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote
- A motion was made by Majerowicz, seconded by Potts, to approve the agenda.
- Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote
- A motion was made by Potts, seconded by Majerowicz, to approve the June 25<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.
- The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote

### **Agenda**

- Dr. Culp began the meeting by outlining the plan to divide changes into 3 phases. Less controversial items (Phase 1) begin at this meeting and establish a subcommittee for Green Plumbing which needs to be submitted by May 31, 2013 to JCAR (Joint Committee on Administrative Rules) for Phase 2 and Phase 3 will take place later in 2013.
- indicated they had researched the rules for doing so and felt comfortable proceeding
- Culp asked for the list of previous members on the committee in 2010
- Potts read the list: Gary Hinderliter, James Majerowicz, Beverly Potts, Jason Koffman, Len Fassett, Michael Magann, Robert Schafer
- Majerowicz volunteered to chair the new committee, Potts volunteered to sub-chair. Tienstra, Doolan and James agreed to participate
- The group discussed possibly including Hinderliter and Schafer again if they are interested.
- Dewitt reminded the group that PCAC members must be less than quorum
- Dr. Culp emphasized the 3-phase plan to meet the aggressive deadline mandated by legislation. He asked the Council to “seize the moment” and leave the meeting with a “strong consensus” of these items to submit to the State Board of Health, and then JCAR
- Dewitt suggested the Council review the Plumbing Code Amendments page-by-page of the 100+ page document, to approve the edits and suggest any additional changes necessary
- Maia is responsible for noting all the edits to modify the document and ensure proper formatting
- Review of the amendments began lead by Majerowicz

**Break**      Lunch 12:05 p.m. – 1:05 p.m.

**Agenda Cont'd**

- Review of amendments continued after the lunch break
- A brief interruption of the amendment review was made to introduce Konya, Chief of Staff, to address the Council regarding upper management's support of the Council's work. McCann and Dewitt will attend future MPC meetings to represent IDPH at the MPC's (Metropolitan Planning Council) meetings and the Department's intent to work with MPC and be aware of the MPC's stance on issues and give the PCAC a chance to weigh-in on any legislative changes while they are in process rather than wait until the end
- Konya stated that the IDPH asked MPC to perform an analysis of the interface between the ICC, the IAPMO Code and the current Illinois Plumbing Code to evaluate how they compare and map out differences considering members of the industry tend to side with one or the other. The request for MPC to perform the study was based on the fact that they have more resources than IDPH.
- Konya agreed to make an effort to attend as many PCAC meetings as possible in order to address any concerns and stay current on issues to help represent the Department.
- Konya departed and the amendments review continued and was completed

**Motion**

- A motion was made by Majerowicz, seconded by Flemming, to approve the edits made in the duration of the meeting.
- The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote

**Agenda Cont'd**

- All discussed the plan to use the Green Plumbing supplement document drafted dated May 2010 as a base document to begin the work of Phase 2.
- Dewitt reiterated the December deadline to draft, review, and approve recommendations for the Green Plumbing supplement.
- The subcommittee members agreed to meet and have a document ready for review at the next meeting on August 20, 2012.
- Dr. Culp thanked everyone for their time and work on the Plumbing Code

**Motion**

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Majerowicz, seconded by Flemming.
- The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote

**Meeting adjourned** 4:15 p.m.