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TO: Plumbing Code Advisory Council Members
FROM: Frank Shimkus, Plumbing Program Manager
DATE: January 24, 2013
SUBJECT: Minutes-January 24, 2013 Plumbing Code Advisory Council Meeting

Attendance and Meeting Location

The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. on January 24, 2013 at the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Illinois State Fairgrounds, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, Illinois.

The following were in attendance:

IDPH Staff

David Culp, Deputy Director, Office of Health Protection
Ken McCann, Division Chief, Environmental Health
Justin Dewitt, Chief, General Engineering Section
Frank Shimkus, Manager, Plumbing Program
Mark Keuchler, Regional Supervisor, IDPH Champaign Regional Office
Tiago Maia, Graduate Intern
Jan Tucker, Office Associate

Plumbing Code Advisory Council Members

Lincoln Cochran
Jeremiah Deakin
Dennis Doolan
Doyle James
Ken McCann
James Majerowicz
David Manzel
Beverly Potts
Gerald Tienstra

Guests

Len Fassett
Gary Hinderliter

Welcome and Introductions

Ken McCann introduced himself and welcomed everyone. A roll call was performed and quorum established.

Motions

- A motion was made to approve the agenda by Majerowicz and seconded by Potts.
- The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

- A motion was made to approve the corrected November 19 minutes by Manzel and seconded by Tienstra.
- The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

- A motion was made to approve the corrected December 17 minutes by Majerowicz and seconded by James.
- The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Ken McCann opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment.

Discussion of by-laws

Page 2, Article 4, Section 1: As opposed to the Chairman unilaterally appointing a subcommittee, the Chairman will recommend a subcommittee and the approval would be dependent upon a vote of the majority of the board.

Page 3, Section 3: Clarified that six members of the appointed positions constitute a quorum. Included language to have a phone conference or video conference, as opposed to having everyone attend in person. If five people are in attendance and one person is on the conference call that does constitute a quorum.

Page 4, Article 7, Section 3: Clarifying that attendance can be by audio or video conference. Removed sentence in the instances where a member does not vote affirmative or negative and responds present or here or abstains shall be considered a vote with the majority, if someone is going to abstain that should be a vote not with the majority that should be the official vote.

Page 5, Section 3: Again, just rewording to clarify when a quorum is present.

Article 4, Section 2: Eliminate the "at least 14 days" and add the reference to Roberts. Any changes to the by-laws would be provided to the council members prior to the meeting where they would be considered.

Motion

- A motion was made to adopt the changes to the Plumbing Code Advisory Council By-Laws as discussed by Majerowicz and seconded by Tienstra.
- A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Draft Rules Status Update

Currently, the deadline given by our legal department has been met. Legal is currently reviewing the draft and have forwarded a copy to the Governor's office for their review.

Our target date is to meet the next State Board of Health rules subcommittee meeting on February 21. We are on target to meet that, but it is not a guarantee. It depends on how long it takes the Governor's office to review the rules. It is hopeful that we are still going to meet that target. However, if the February 21st rules subcommittee is missed the next rules subcommittee meeting will not be until April.

Summary Document Changes

Justin DeWitt led the discussion outlining the summary of changes brought about by JCAR and our legal department.

Subpart A: Regulation was changed to read provisions. General regulations was converted to applicability and the reference to authority was deleted. This section was restructured; however, applicability was retained.

In definitions, the "authority having jurisdiction" as it applies to this code only is either the Department, a unit of local government or a certified plumbing inspector.

Reclaimed water, the word recycled was removed.

Removed the language "and USEPA regulations" from Section A and 520.

Section D, legal requested to specify the conditions that would require testing.

Legal opposed "gang shower" it is being replaced with multi user shower.

Motions

- A motion was made to approve the code changes as discussed by Majerowicz and seconded by Tienstra.
- The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Clear Water Waste

Justin DeWitt recommended forming a subcommittee to develop the language for clear water waste that would be acceptable. Ken McCann proposed the same green subcommittee as the ones who addressed the green plumbing supplement: Jim Majerowicz - Chairman, Bev Potts and Gerald Tienstra.

Motion

- A motion was made to reestablish a subcommittee to look at clear water waste as discussed by Manzel and seconded by Potts.
- The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Product Approval Procedures

The document Gary Hinderliter put together as a draft template for product approval was distributed.

Justin DeWitt recommended a subcommittee of three to hold the product review meetings instead of bogging down the entire council reviewing each product. Tienstra and Potts wanted each product to be presented to the entire council. The subcommittee recommendation was tabled for now per McCann.

2013 Calendar Meeting Schedule

February 25, March 25, April 22, May 20 and June 24. These meetings will be held in the training center at the Department of Natural Resources, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, Illinois with the exception of the February meeting, which will be held in the room next to the training center.

Motion

- A motion was made to accept the five meeting dates as discussed by Majerowicz and seconded by Potts.
- The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Additional Code Changes

Justin went over the items added to the discussion agenda for the next round of code changes: lead free plumbing and the impacts of that over the next six to twelve month period, plumbing in penal facilities and backflow protection.

Majerowicz led the discussion relating to lead free plumbing. Manzel discussed plumbing in penal facilities and floor drain issues. It was felt the code is adequate at this time. Frank Shimkus touched on backflow protection.

DeWitt recommended the need for a policy within the department relating to lead free.

Motion

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tienstra and seconded by James.
- The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned Noon