

State of Oregon
Final

OREGON STATE PLUMBING BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lewis Seagraves, Chairman
Ken Carlson
Brett Cook
Jonathan Gray *(new member)*
Kathryn Mattimore
Jacob Polvi
Perry Shinn

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Long, Administrator of Building Codes Division
Andrea Simmons, Manager of Policy & Technical Services
Twyla Knowles, Assistant Manager of Policy &
Technical Services
Johanna Matanich, Assistant Attorney General
Patrick Ward, Assistant Attorney General
Terry Swisher, Chief Plumbing Inspector, and Board Secretary
Ravi Mahajan, P.E., Code Facilities Engineer
Joan Stevens-Schwenger, Interim Manager of Enforcement
and Licensing
Roseanne Nelson, Assistant Manager of Enforcement
and Licensing
Homer Humelbaugh, Assistant Chief Plumbing Inspector
Rick Blackwell, Policy Analyst
Debi Barnes-Woods, Division Boards Coordinator/Recorder

GUESTS PRESENT: Robert Kimes, Local 290 Training Center
Roland Singleton, Port of Portland
Larry Medeavis, Port of Portland
John Osburn, Studor Inc.
Jack Beuschel, Studor Inc.
Bob Riem, City of Portland
Dwight Perkins, IAPMO
Lynn Henson, Washington County
Michelle Martin, the Portland Metropolitan Business Owners and
Managers Association

I. BOARD BUSINESS

I.A. Call to Order

Chairman Lewis Seagraves called the State Plumbing Board to order at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held at the Building Codes Division, Conference Room "A," 1535 Edgewater NW, Salem, Oregon.

I.B. Roll Call

All members were present.

I.C. Approval of Agenda and Order of Business

Chairman Seagraves **RULED** the agenda approved as mailed.

I.D. Approval of the October 21, 2005, Oregon State Plumbing Board meeting minutes.

Corrections to the October 21 minutes were as follows:

Page 5, second paragraph, last sentence, delete Mr. Perkins "*agreed*" and insert Mr. Perkins "*disagreed.*"

Page 5, sixth paragraph, roll call vote taken, include Brett Cook under the eyes.

Page 7, seventh paragraph, add to last sentence, Ms. Mattimore said that this standard is not the best because of health concerns "*and the ASSE Standard was for residential use.*"

Chairman Seagraves **RULED** the Oregon State Plumbing Board meeting minutes for October 21, 2005 approved as amended.

I.E. Date of the Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

February 17, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.

I.F. Formal Farewell to Robert Kimes.

Mark Long, Administrator of Building Codes Division thanked Mr. Kimes for his work on the board. He presented him with a plaque of appreciation and a letter thanking Mr. Kimes for his eight years of service.

I.G. Welcome to new board member Jonathan Gray.

I.H. Board Chair and Vice Chair election.

This item was deferred until the February meeting.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

III. REPORTS

(Break to clear room for executive session)

A. Executive Session to consider public records that are exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Law and to consult with legal counsel regarding litigation that may be pending against the board, ORS 192.660(2)(f), (h).

(Break to allow audience to be seated)

B. Enforcement cases.

1. Proposed Order, Administrative Law Judge's Proposed order regarding McGee Plumbing.

MOTION by Ken Carlson to adopt the amended proposed order for McGee Plumbing to include a license revocation period of five years.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Final Order, Administrative Law Judge's Proposed order regarding JRT Mechanical, Inc.

MOTION by Perry Shinn to adopt the Administrative Law Judge's proposed order and the division's final order for JRT Mechanical, Inc.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Summary of enforcement cases actions previously taken by the division for III.D.1. through 12. No board action required.

No discussion for this agenda item.

D. Administrator's report.

This item was removed from the agenda due to time spent in executive session.

E. Program update.

Terry Swisher, chief plumbing inspector, reported that the reciprocal agreement with the State of Montana is being reviewed for updates. In addition, Chief Swisher reports the new edition of the uniform plumbing code will be available January of 2006.

F. Plumbing code interpretation update.

Two code interpretations were brought forward from the Code Interpretation Committee; 1) Water pipe sizing for wells and pressure reducing valves in Section 610.8 and Table 6-5, and 2) Water pipe sizing for wells and pressure reducing valves in Section P2910.6 and Table P2910.2. Both will be posted on BCD's web-site.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

Update on Ordinary Minor Plumbing Repairs draft rules.

Draft rules for permit and inspection exemption for ordinary minor plumbing repairs were distributed. *Exhibit "A."* A public hearing notice has been filed for a hearing date of January 17, 2006. The rules will be brought back to the board February 17, 2006 with the hearing officer's recommendation.

Michelle Martin, the Portland Metropolitan Business Owners and Managers Association, read a letter from the coalition. *Exhibit "B."* Coalition members include: Kaiser Permanente, Legacy, Portland Adventist, Providence, Lewis & Clark, Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland Community College and Portland State University. Ms. Martin reported that the revised ordinary minor repair rules allow licensed plumbers employed by the institutions to perform needed maintenance in a cost effective and efficient manner avoiding an economic impact of approximately \$200,000 per institution per year. The coalition is in support of the draft rules.

V. APPEALS - None

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of petition for alternate method ruling for air admittance valves.

Jack Beuschel, Studor Inc., said that the product, air admittance valves, should be approved for an alternate method ruling due to the field testing finding the product safe. The product is a device that is used as a vent terminal. A packet of related material was distributed, *Exhibit "C."* Mr. Beuschel requested approval for both residential and commercial use.

There was no board action taken on this item at this time.

B. Board review of IAPMO Interim Guide Criteria 67 – 2005 Standard for miscellaneous plastic DWV fittings.

This item was returned to the board for reconsideration. Chief Swisher had a product sample for the board to examine. The purpose of the standard is to establish a generally acceptable standard for a closet flange with integral 45° angle outlet and a solvent welded dishwasher drain fitting.

MOTION by Brett Cook to approve the 2005 Standard for miscellaneous plastic DWV fittings.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Lewis Seagraves adjourned the meeting at 12:noon.

Respectfully submitted by,
Debi Barnes-Woods
Division Boards Coordinator

Exhibits:

- A. Draft rules for permit and inspection exemption ordinary minor plumbing repairs, ***Agenda Item I.V.***
- B. Letter from the Portland Metropolitan Business Owners and Managers Association in favor of the draft rules, ***Agenda Item I.V.***
- C. Packet of related material about Air-admittance valves, ***Agenda Item VII.A.***

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