

**State of Oregon**

**State Plumbing Board**

**Meeting minutes**

**June 17, 2010**

**Members present:** Jonathan Gray, Chair  
Robin Scheffer, Vice-chair  
Rick Bosch  
Sarah Heinicke  
Michael Perry  
Jack Vilendre

**Members absent:** Skai Dancey

**Staff present:** Chris Huntington, manager, policy and technical services  
Terry Swisher, chief plumbing inspector and board secretary  
Brent Griffiths, lead enforcement officer  
Homer Humelbaugh, assistant chief plumbing inspector  
Richard Baumann, policy analyst  
Debi Barnes-Woods, division boards coordinator

**Guests present:** Kelly Kokesh, P.E., Advanced Drainage Systems  
Leroy Lucero, P.E., Advanced Drainage Systems  
Jeff Mason, P.E., Advanced Drainage Systems  
Jed Scheuermann, Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 290  
Brett Cook, City of Boardman  
Pam Ditty, Mike Ditty LLC

**I. Board business**

**A. Call to order**

Chairman Jonathan Gray called the State Plumbing Board meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The meeting was held at the Building Codes Division, Conference Room A, 1535 Edgewater Street NW, Salem, Oregon.

**B. Roll call**

Skai Dancey was absent excused.

**C. Approval of agenda and order of business**

Manager of Policy and Technical Services Chris Huntington noted that at the April 1, 2010 executive session board meeting, the board approved a settlement agreement in the Studor litigation. The other party did not sign and deliver the approved settlement agreement to the division until just prior to the June 17 board meeting, which did not allow Chair Gray to review the agreement prior to the meeting. Accordingly, agenda Items E, F and G were all removed from this meeting Agenda and will be heard at the August 19, 2010 board meeting.

Chair Gray **RULED** the agenda and order of business approved as amended.

**D. Approval of the board meeting minutes**

Chair Gray **RULED** the April 1, 2010 minutes approved.

**E. Date of the next scheduled meeting**

August 19, 2010

**II. Public comment - None**

**III. Reports**

**A. Building Codes Division report**

Manager Huntington reported on the content of the [BCD Update packet](#) focusing on House Bill 3462.

Manager Huntington noted that the process of establishing renewal periods and fees for certifications for Phase 1 of HB 3462 is complete. The rule will go into effect July 1, 2010 with the first renewal cycle beginning November 2010 then every 3 years.

Phase II of HB 3462 authorizes the division to create a pilot program to develop specialized inspector certifications and training. The committee is currently working through developing 4 specialized inspector certifications.

HB 2950 created the new Construction Industry Energy Board. The board had its first meeting in February. The board will be meeting June 29, 2010 to review and make a recommendation for adoption of the 2010 Oregon Solar Installation Specialty Code.

Manager Huntington noted that SB 79, the governor's energy efficiency bill, accomplishes three things:

- Creates a task force on energy performance scores, which has begun its work and is staffed by the Oregon Department of Energy
- Requires an increase in the energy efficiency of 10-25 percent in commercial structures and at least 10-percent in residential structures by 2012
- Authorizes the development of a voluntary "reach code" containing construction methods for achieving higher levels of energy efficiency than under the statewide codes. A committee was formed and began its work in April

Manager Huntington noted that the anticipated effective date for the 2010 Oregon Structural Specialty Code, 2010 Oregon Mechanical Specialty Code, and the 2010 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code is July 1, 2010.

**B. Enforcement report**

Lead Enforcement Officer Brent Griffiths noted that June 18 is a fourlough day for most State workers, but assured members that the enforcement staff will be working to ensure safety.

Mr. Griffiths also noted that two of the enforcement officers are now working out of their homes; one in Portland assigned to the Portland area and the other in Hermiston assigned to Eastern Oregon. This allows the enforcement officers to respond more quickly.

**C. Summary of enforcement actions previously taken by the division for cases 1 through 11, outlined on the enforcement board report. (No board action required)**

**D. License suspension for Kenneth Van Hoesen (No board action required)**

Mr. Griffiths noted that Mr. Van Hoesen failed to pay his penalty for a previous case in 2005. With proper notification following the law, Mr. Van Hoesen's license was suspended. Once the division received payment in full, Mr. Van Hoesen's license was reinstated.

**E. Program update**

Chief Plumbing Inspector Terry Swisher noted that the division, in consultation with the board, established March 10, 2010 through April 26, 2010 as the timetable for accepting proposed code amendments.

New proposals, as well as all current Oregon amendments, are currently being reviewed by the Plumbing Code Change Committee. The committee will make recommendations to the board concerning the adoption of proposed amendments and the revision or carrying forward of current amendments. The committee meetings will continue through July 2010. The 2011 OPSC is scheduled to be effective April 1, 2011.

Chief Swisher explained that the current plumbing code in Oregon is the 2008 edition of the Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code ("OPSC"), which is based on the 2006 Edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code ("UPC") with Oregon amendments. The division proposes to update the OPSC with the recently published 2009 UPC. The UPC is anticipated to be adopted with Oregon amendments, becoming the 2011 OPSC.

**IV. Communications - None**

**V. Appeals**

## **VIII. New business**

### **A. Request from the board Chair for revisions to the Statewide Alternate Method No. OPSC 08-3 to remove limitations**

Chair Gray explained that limitations were added to alternate method July 2, 2008 (rainwater harvesting systems providing water for non-potable uses in residential and commercial buildings) to limit application of the ruling and not allow for use in apartments and commercial buildings used for childcare or schools. The revised alternate method removes these limitations. Chair Gray asked the board to approve the technical and scientific facts of the revised alternate method.

**Motion by Jack Vilendre** to approve the technical and scientific facts of proposed revised alternate method.

**Motion carried unanimously**

### **B. Request from the board Chair for revisions to the Statewide Alternate Method No. OPSC 08-04 to remove limitations**

Chair Gray explained that limitations were added to alternate method September 15, 2008 (commercial and industrial wastewater conservation systems providing water for flushing toilets and urinals) to limit application of the ruling and not allow for use in apartments and commercial buildings used for childcare or schools. The revised alternate method removes these limitations. Chair Gray asked the board to approve the technical and scientific facts of the revised alternate method.

**Motion by Jack Vilendre** to approve the technical and scientific facts of proposed revised alternate method.

**Motion carried unanimously**

### **C. Request from Kelly Kokesh, Advanced Drainage Systems Company, for approval of the Product Standard ASTM F 2736-2010**

Ms. Kokesh asked the board to approve the product standard for 12 to 30-inch Polypropylene (PP) Corrugated Single Wall Pipe and Double Wall Pipe for use in building storm and sanitary sewers.

**Motion by Rick Bosh** to approve the Product Standard ASTM F 2736-2010.

**Motion approved unanimously**

### **D. Request from Kelly Kokesh, Advanced Drainage Systems Company, for approval of the Product Standard ASTM F 2764-2010**

Ms. Kokesh asked the board to approve the product standard for 30 to 60-inch PP Triple Wall Pipe and Fittings for Non-Pressure Sanitary Sewer applications.

**Motion by Jack Vilendre** to approve the Product Standard ASTM F 2764-2010

**Motion carried unanimously**

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**E. Request from STUDOR Inc. for approval of the Product Standard ASSE 1050-2009**

**F. Request from STUDOR, Inc. for approval of the Product Standard ASSE 1051-2009**

**G. Request from STUDOR, Inc. for approval of the Product Standard NSF 14-2009**

**VIII. Announcements** - None

**IX. Adjournment**

There being no other business Chair Gray adjourned the board meeting at 10:15a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Debi Barnes-Woods  
Division Boards Coordinator