

# **VIRGINIA FIRE SERVICES BOARD**

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Fire Prevention & Control Committee  
Thursday, February, 24, 2022  
Virginia Beach Convention Center  
Meeting Rooms 5ABC  
10:00am

## **MINUTES**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Fire Prevention & Control Committee was held at the Virginia Beach Convention Center in Virginia Beach, VA. Mr. Ernest Little served as Chair.

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE**

### **3. ROLL CALL**

#### **Committee Members Present:**

**Ernest Little, (FP&C Committee Chair) – Virginia Fire Prevention Association (VFPA)**

Keith Johnson, Vice Chair (AP&F Committee Chair) – Virginia Fire Chiefs Association (VFCA)

Dennis Linaberg – VA Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)

Claudia Cotton – Board of Housing & Community Development (BHCD)

Steve Sites – Virginia Municipal League (VML)

**R. Scott Garber, Chair – Local Fire Marshal**

#### **Committee Members Absent:**

Rob Ferrell - Virginia State Forester

#### **Non-Committee Board Members Present:**

Jerome Williams, (T&E Committee Chair) – Certified Fire Service Instructor

Bettie Reeves-Nobles, (LFIS Committee Chair) – General Public

Lee Day – Virginia Fire Services Council (VFSC)

James Poindexter – Virginia Professional Firefighters Association (VPFF)

Abbey Johnston – Virginia State Firefighters Association (VSFA)

### **4. GUESTS PRESENT**

#### **Agency Members Present:**

Brook Pittinger

Garret Dyer

Amanda Kennedy

### **5. CHANGES IN THE AGENDA**

N/A

### **6. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments made

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## **7. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting - NA

## **8. REPORT FROM THE VIRGINIA STATE FIRE MARSHAL**

Dyer commented on two fire fatalities for 2022. This is based on Confirmation by the locality. Traction has been made on FAST Lab trailer. Permissible firework scheduling will. Online vendor for Pyrotechnics test has been acquired.

## **9. CODES & STANDARDS SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES**

- A. Motion to Approve Vice Chair – Perry Weller

**Motion:** To Approve Perry Weller as the Vice Chair of the Codes & Standards Subcommittee

**Topic Discussion:** N/A

**Vote:** Unanimous

**Action:** Motion Approved & Carries

- B. Motion to Approve two new committee members – Lee Stoermer & Joseph Mullens

**Motion:** To approve Lee Stoermer & Joseph Mullens as members of the Code Subcommittee.

**Topic Discussion:**

Lee Stoermer

Assistant Fire Marshal

Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Office of the Fire Marshal

Nominated by Keith Johnson

Joseph A. Mullens

Division Chief/Deputy Fire Marshal

Rockingham County Department of Fire and Rescue

Nominated by Perry Weller

Two additional seats available.

**Vote:** Unanimous

**Action:** Motion Approved & Carries

- C. Motion to Approve updates – 2021 SFPC Code Document

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**Motion:** Motion to approve amendments to cod

**Topic Discussion:** Chair will supply all committee members with the amendments.  
**Information is change is language an**

**Vote: one abstain**

**Action:** Motion Approved & Carries

## **10. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE CHAIR**

There has been no movement on the current agreement on the state. The proposal has been presented to the DHCD.

## **11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. BHCD/VFSB Memorandum of Agreement Update

## **12. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Fire Prevention & Control Document – Work Session Date

**Topic Discussion:** Committee was given possible dates for work session. The Chair made the recommendation to combine it with the complete Fire Services Board meeting in April in Loudon VA. Chief Pittinger will send the current documents to support preplanning and preparation.

B. Legislative Subcommittee Updates-

**Topic Discussed:** Members Johnson and Chair discussed the information Fire prevention bill on agritourism. This bill currently in legislation seeks create definition on structures that serve as event venues and the unique challenges they present for fire prevention.

## **13. ADJOURNMENT** - The Board adjourned at 10:28

Clerk of the Committee: Amanda Kennedy