

**Draft minutes  
State of Oregon**

<b>Agenda Item I.D.</b>
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**Board of Boiler Rules**

**Regular meeting minutes  
June 2, 2009**

**Members present:** Dennis Coplin, Chairman  
Mike Bradley, Vice-chairman  
Anthony Barsotti  
Robert Cowling  
Bruce Fellows  
Vincent Leedy  
Thomas Perritt  
Edward Pitzrick  
Mark Stenberg

**Members absent:** Jon Hooker

**Staff present:** Patrick Allen, administrator  
Chris Huntington, policy and technical services manager  
Celina Patterson, statewide services manager  
Liz Browder, enforcement services manager  
Jim Hanson, policy analyst  
Brent Griffiths, lead worker, enforcement  
Shauna Parker, rules coordinator  
Debi Barnes-Woods, division boards coordinator

**Guests present:** Kenneth W. Adams, Hartford Steam Boiler  
Ken Eshleman, Hartford Steam Boiler  
Tim Barker, FM Global  
John Kimberling, Local 290

**I. Board business**

**A. Call to order**

Chairman Dennis Coplin called the Board of Boiler Rules board meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held at the Building Codes Division, Conference Room A, 1535 Edgewater Street NW, Salem, Oregon.

**B. Roll call**

Jon Hooker was absent excused.

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

Chair Coplin **RULED** the agenda approved.

**D. Approval of the regular board meeting minutes of March 3, 2009**

Chair Coplin **RULED** the regular meeting minutes of March 3, 2009 approved.

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

September 1, 2009

**II. Public comment - None**

**III. Reports**

**A.B. Building Codes Division report**

Patrick Allen, deputy administrator of the Building Codes Division announced that the governor recently appointed Mark Long as acting director of the Oregon Department of Energy. Mr. Allen has accepted the position as acting administrator of Building Codes Division and Andrea Simmons, current manager of green building services and legislative affairs has been asked to fill the position of acting deputy administrator for the division. Although Ms. Simmons will be responsible for the duties of acting deputy administrator, she will continue with her responsibilities related to sustainability.

Chris Huntington, manager of policy and technical services, discussed the rulemaking activities listed in the [BCD Update](#) packet. He noted that the structural and mechanical specialty code adoption process has begun. The anticipated effective date for the 2010 OSSC and OSMC is April of 2010. The residential and plumbing programs have opened the process for reviewing mid-cycle code amendments. The anticipated effective date for any amendments is October 1, 2009.

The division continues the development of a full service ePermitting system. Once the process is complete the system will be a one-stop online venue for permit and building inspection services.

Manager Huntington briefly discussed Executive Order No. 09-06, issued by the governor, creating The Oregon Way Advisory Group to advise and assist those seeking competitive federal stimulus grants. Mark Long was asked to participate as a member of this group.

**Legislative overview:**

Senate Bill 79 reduces energy use in Oregon buildings by directing the division to adopt new building codes with higher energy efficiency standards. The new codes will increase energy efficiency standards by 15 to 25-percent for commercial buildings and 10 to 15-percent for residential buildings by 2012.

HB 2950 will create a Construction Industry Energy Board, which will include two members from each of the Electrical and Elevator Board, Building Codes Structures Board, and Residential Structures Board, and one member appointed by the Oregon Department of Energy.

HB 3462 creates a pilot program for a training academy for inspectors targeting specialized areas to meet the needs of various jurisdictions.

House Bill 2200 helps contractors, building owners, and others to comply with boiler and elevator requirements by making the fee structures and processes for the two programs consistent. The bill also increases the boiler inspection fees to ensure the division has enough resources to regularly inspect boilers for safety.

Edward Pitzerick was concerned that under HB 2200 the state would charge full cost at insurance sites without forwarding revenue to insurance companies.

Manager of Statewide Services Celina Patterson clarified that there are separate installation permit fees for state and for insurance sites.

**B. Program update**

Mike Graham, chief boiler inspector, reported that a new inspector has been hired. He also noted that if HB 2200 passes, the division will be conducting interviews for the remaining vacant positions

Chair Coplin asked for the boiler inspection overdue report. Chief Graham said that the division would make the report available for members as soon as possible.

Anthony Barsotti reminded board members that the overdue report is a tracking device used to ensure that overdues are being kept up.

**C. Summary of enforcement actions previously taken by the division for cases 1 and 2, outlined on the enforcement board report. (No board action required)**

Liz Browder, manager of enforcement services, announced that Brent Griffiths has recently been promoted to lead worker of the section. Manager Browder said that the section will continue to conduct enforcement sweeps and noted that she has implemented a new process creating more field presence by assigning enforcement officers to specific regions in Oregon.

Brent Griffiths, lead enforcement officer, was available to answer questions concerning the two cases on the summary report. He also noted that the boiler enforcement sub-committee needs to be updated with new members. Currently, only one member of the sub-committee is a member of the board. The remaining individuals are all past board members. Mr. Griffiths noted that this should be an item on the next board meeting agenda.

Mark Stenberg noted that both cases listed on the summary report are unlicensed individuals that installed boilers. His question was whether the division will be citing those individuals? Mr. Griffiths remarked that he would further review the issue and report back to the board at a later date.

Chair Coplin added that there are a number of contractors circumventing the law in the State of Oregon using unlicensed individuals to perform work on boilers, which he said must be stopped.

Manager Huntington asked board members whether or not they wished to continue with the existence of the boards' enforcement sub-committee. Tom Perritt, Mark Stenberg, Dennis Coplin, and Tony Barsotti all volunteered to serve as members of the enforcement sub-committee.

Because the enforcement sub-committee membership was resolved during this meeting, it was decided that it is not necessary to place the item on the next board meeting agenda as discussed earlier.

**IV. Communications** - None

**V. Appeals** – None

**VI. Unfinished business** - None

**VI. New business** - None

**VIII. Announcements** - None

**IX. Adjournment**

Chair Coplin adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m. p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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