



Kent County Board of Electrical Examiners

Department of Planning, Housing, and Zoning

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Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2023

The Kent County Board of Electrical Examiners met on Thursday, November 2, 2023, at 8:30 a.m., in the County Commissioners' Hearing Room, 400 High Street, Chestertown, Maryland. The following members were in attendance: Victor Shepard, Acting Chair, Mike Usilton, Member, and William Baldwin, Member. Also, present were Bryan Foreman, Chief Code Enforcement Officer; Mike O'Neil, Code Enforcement Officer; Craig Busick, Middle Department Inspection Agency (MDIA); Rick Hudson, guest, Mike Bitting, guest, and Beth Grieb, Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 a.m.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The Board approved the minutes of the meeting on September 7, 2023.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

The group re-stated that the adoption of the 2023 National Electrical Code (NEC) will occur on May 24, 2024.

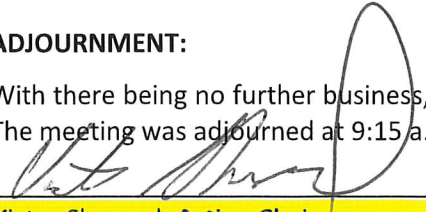
The Board discussed expanding the electrical board to become a multi-discipline trades board to include plumbing and HVAC. Two master plumbers licensed with Kent County, and two HVAC members are needed in addition to master electricians registered with Kent County. Craig B. stated that building, electric, plumbing, heating, air conditioning and ventilation are currently inspected. Kent County enforces the 2021 International Mechanical Code (IMC) which is part of the 2021 International Code Council (ICC). The ICC code books include the 2021 International Plumbing Code (IPC), 2021 International Residential and Commercial Codes (IRC & IBC) and the National Electrical Code (NEC).

Blower door tests are required by Kent County and are a part of the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) as discussed earlier. Alan Coppage is semi-retired. He is available for questions and is still an employee of MDIA.

The board recognized Mike Usilton for 27 years of service on the electrical board. He has been an asset to the county with his knowledge of electrical examinations.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting; the motion passed with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.


Victor Shepard, Acting Chair


Beth Grieb, Clerk

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