

METROPOLITAN AREA BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT (MABCD)

BOARD OF APPEALS OF REFRIGERATION, AIR CONDITIONING, WARM AIR HEATING and BOILERS

Minutes

March 2nd, 2023

Present: Luke Parthemer, Jesse Kealy, Dave Lyons, Randy Freeman, Teresa Jordan, William J. Loewenstein,

Absent: Scott E. Smith

Staff: Stoney Nethercot, w/MABCD

Guest: Chris Highfill, Chris Nordick

Chairman Luke Parthemer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Board Member Jesse Kealy made a motion to approve the November 3rd, 2022 minutes. Board Member Dave Lyons seconded the motion. Motion carried (6 – 0).

Public Agenda:

None

Old Business:

ICC's Committee Action Hearings/2024 IMC

Mr. Nethercot updated the board on where ICC was at with its review 2021/2024 IMC and said that he would keep the board updated as they narrow down proposed changes.

(CRD's) Ceiling Radiation Dampers

The board discussed current issues in the field in regards to contractors trying to shut down a furnace/air handler in the event of a fire. It was agreed that a relay to the t-stat, with a 20 -30 second delay, was not the intention of the code. The board also agreed that a relay from the smoke detector to kill the power to the furnace or air handler (not just the blower), is needed. The board went on to discuss current installation issues with dynamic CRD's in exhaust systems. After much discussion, the board decided to seek out more information from other Jurisdictions that have already been enforcing Dynamic CRD's and discuss again at the next board meeting. No action taken.

New Business:

(AIM) American Innovation and Manufacturing ACT

Mr. Nethercot handed out information concerning the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act. Mechanical board discussed the cost and hardships for both the owners and contractors as the industry transitions from hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) refrigerants over the next decade. No action taken.

MABCD Updates: Mr. Nethercot informed the board that the mechanical division is still down an inspector however there had been one interested candidate.

Board member Jesse Kealy motioned to adjourn the meeting, Board Member Randy Freeman seconded the motion - Motion carried (6-0)

Respectfully Submitted,
Stoney Nethercot
Chief Mechanical Inspector
Secretary, Board of Mechanical Appeals.