# \*Minutes from the Joint Meeting of the MARYLAND BOARD OF BOILER RULES AND

#### STATIONARY ENGINEERS

In-person and Virtual Meeting Tuesday, May 31, 2022 · 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Google Meet Joining Info

Video call link: https://meet.google.com/gjc-tszf-gke 10946 Golden West Drive | Suite #160 Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031

## Board of Boiler Rules Members Present

Ashwani K. Gupta, Ph.D., Chair Carey M. Dove, Owner John Dunnock, Manufacturer Eric Harvey, Owner Historical Equipment Kevin Mulvey, Insurance Company Jeffrey B. Pope, Public Consumer Brian Wodka, Stationary Engineer Philip Kruer, Experienced Engineer Matthew Helminiak, Commissioner for Labor and Industry

Absent Board Members Richard Ludlow, Power Boilers

### Labor and Industry Staff

David Dearborn, Program Manager Christina Schaefer, Executive Assistant Tiffany R. Jones, Board Coordinator

## **Assistant Attorneys General**

Jenny Baker Sloane Kinstler

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Board of Boiler Rules Chairperson, Dr. Ashwani Gupta confirmed that there was a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Members of the Board of Boiler Rules & Board of Stationary Engineers reviewed the minutes of the last joint meeting that was held virtually on May 17, 2021. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Brian Wodka and seconded by Carey Dove. The minutes were unanimously approved without correction.

#### Stationary Engineers Members Present

Lance R. Brown, Industry Member Steven Noonan, Chief Boiler Inspector Gary W. Brown, Consumer Member Brian Wodka, Vice Chair

### Absent Board Members

Gregory Restivo, Chair, Senior Industry Member John F. Arizaga, Industry Member

## Division of Occupational and

### Professional Licensing

Greg Morgan Commissioner O&P

John Bull, Executive Director Board of Stationary Engineers Tracey Wilson-Baylor, Board Coordinator

### **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONER HELMINIAK**

Commissioner Helminiak welcomed everyone and then introduced the two most recent members to join the Boiler Board: consumer member Jeffrey Pope and engineer, Philip Kruer.

#### **BOILER CHIEF REPORT**

Boiler Chief Steve Noonan started by thanking members of the boards for their diligence and efforts to support safety in Maryland. He continued with reporting out the following data below and attached:

Current Active Objects: 53,759 Inspections: 978
Insured Objects: 43,691 Open Violations: 674

Uninsured Objects: 10,067 Citations with penalties: 1223

Inspection Staff Levels:

Deputy Boiler Inspectors: 7 inspectors, 2 vacancies

MD commissioned third-party special inspectors: 156 (Renewal: March 1, 2023)

Boiler Inspection Unit Office Support Staff: 3

Dr. Gupta asked about the current number of uninsured objects versus uninsured objects this time last year. Chief Noonan responded that the current number is slightly above last year's number.

## Report of Board of Stationary Engineers – Chairman Greg Restivo

On behalf of Chairman Restivo, vice-chair Brian Wodka reported that the addition of two new Stationary Engineers Board members would ensure that a quorum was met during future board meetings. He also took the time to thank former director Robin Bailey for eight years of service. John Bull is the new executive director. Brian Wodka also mentioned potentially forming another subcommittee.

#### **Old Business:**

Chairman Gupta asked if there was any legislative activity that might have an impact on either board. Commissioner Helminiak stated that SB279 had implications for prevailing wage for mechanical service trades but did not impact boilers. He also noted that at some point HB496 Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program could have some impact in the future.

## **New Business:**

Brian Wodka discussed continuing the work to update Board of Boiler Rules codes. Chief Noonan mentioned adding code B31.9.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Carey Dove and seconded by Brian Wodka. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.