

PLUMBING ADVISORY BOARD OFFICIAL MINUTES
THURSDAY, January 10, 2019

PRESENT: Board Members: Zachary Alford, Anthony Deluca, Dale Fogle, William Heintzeiman, Roland Mann, Jr., Patrick Scheper, Lionel Stickles, Code Official; Tim Myers, Chief Plumbing Inspector; Tim Dixon, Assistant County Attorney, Barry Fortune, Health Department

ABSENT: Kevin Nottingham

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Mr. Roland Mann, Chairman. A copy of the October 11, 2018 minutes was emailed to each Board member. Mr. Patrick Scheper made a motion to accept the minutes and Mr. Anthony Deluca seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

Notice of this meeting was provided to the public by mailing notice to members of the Board and of the news media, posting notice electronically on the County's website, and posting notice physically on the County Commissioners' bulletin board.

Old Business

2018 International Plumbing & Gas Code

The State will adopt the 2018 International Plumbing Code effective January 1, 2020. The Code Review Committee that consists of members from the Plumbing Board and (2) Master Plumbers outside the Board will meet every Thursday beginning January 24, 2019 until review of the 2018 International Plumbing Code is completed. Any new code amendments for Carroll County will need to be justified and a cost analysis by the committee. Mr. Lionel Stickles, Code Official, suggested that the Plumbing Code may be reviewed under the International Code Council on the Carroll County's website. If you have any questions, please email Mr. Tim Myers, Chief Plumbing Inspector. The National Standard Plumbing Code will still be used for utility testing. The State will adopt the International Gas Code by 2020.

BGE Gas Meter Racks

At our last meeting there was discussion on the purchase of gas leak detectors for the Plumbing Inspectors because of gas odor complaints received after the final connection to the meter rack. Mr. Lionel Stickles, Code Official, informed the Board that gas leak detectors are requested in the 2019-20 budget.

New Business

Plumbers Working without Proper Permits & Inspections

Mr. Tim Myers began a discussion on how to discipline plumbers that are performing work without applying for plumbing permits and not having their work inspected. Suggestions were to bring the Master Plumber before the Plumbing Advisory Board or file a complaint with the Maryland State Plumbing Board. If the plumber is brought before the Plumbing Advisory Board a "Closed Meeting" will be held with the presence of our attorney. Another suggestion was to discuss the situation with the Plumbing Board without the plumber present and then refer the violation to the Maryland State Plumbing Board. If the individual performing the work does not have a State or Carroll County Plumbing license it may still be brought to the State Board for investigation.

A motion was made by Mr. Anthony Deluca, Building Contractor, to discuss the violation at the Carroll County Plumbing Advisory Board and then refer the Master Plumber with the violation to the State Board. Mr. Pat Scheper, Master Plumber, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

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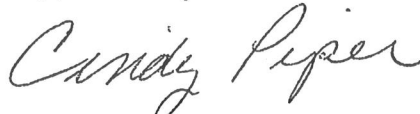
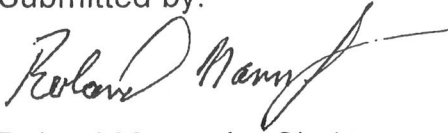
Mr. Patrick Scheper made a motion for Mr. Roland Mann to continue as Chairman from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 and Mr. Anthony Deluca seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Mr. Patrick Scheper made a motion for Mr. Dale Fogle to continue as Vice Chairman from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 and Mr. Zachary Alford seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 A.M. The next scheduled Board meeting is April 11, 2019, 8:00 A.M. at Baugher's Restaurant.

Submitted by:

Approved by:



Roland Mann, Jr., Chairman

Cindy Piper, Secretary