

Plumbing Transition Commission
October 7th, 2014
1:30 PM
8181 Independence Blvd
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806
Meeting Minutes

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Chair requested a roll call of the members which reflected the following:

Members Present: S. Maher; M. Wich, C. Benjamin; R. Kothe; J. Baker;
T. Smith; H. Heier

Members Absent: T. Crawford

Notice of Absence: T. Crawford

7 members present and 1 member absent constitute a Quorum.

Old Business:

A **motion** was made by Mr. Maher to adopt the minutes from the Sept 9th, 2014. It was requested that there be an amendment to the minutes pertained to wording used in the minutes of changing Excused Absence to Notified of Absence and also the an addendum to the minutes concerning the wording used “pulling out those areas of the IPC & IRC” to its intent purpose which is “amending areas of the IPC & IRC.” The minutes has amended received a second from Mr. Wich. It was requested by Mr. Heier and Mr. Maher to be added to the meeting minutes, as an addendum, the request of the rules by which the commission would follow from Attorney Ron Crouch. The chair requested a vote, with the addendums, of the members present which reflected a vote of 7 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Wich to conduct the next regular PTC meeting in Baton Rouge, LA at the Office of State Fire Marshal October 22nd @ 9 A.M. The motion was seconded by Ms. Benjamin. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 7 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

New Business: Discussion on items for review in the 2012 International Plumbing Code (Stephen Maher) – Chapters 1 through 3.

Chapter 1 Discussion:

A **motion** was made by Ms. Benjamin to amend the medical gas provision (Chapter 1 101.2) due to the fact that this provision is regulated by DHH per Act 836, Page 5 (1730.28.3.A.2). The motion was seconded by Mr. Wich. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 7 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

Discussion lead by The Chair included the need for the meeting agenda to have specificity of items to be discussed. Concerns also were expressed concerning the requirements, jurisdiction, and purpose of the commission.

Chapter 2 Discussion on Definitions:

Mr. Wich presented that upon reviewing of the law the terms “trap seal/primer valve” are not included in the IPC. It was recommended by Mr. Wich that the code be amended to adopt three terms and their definitions to the IPC Plumbing code - trap primer drainage type, trap primer potable water supply bed type and trap seal primer valve. Mr. Kothe seconded the recommended adoption. The Chair opened the floor for discussion. All those in favor of the requested adoption of terms to be added, of the members present and the vote reflected 7 I’s and 0 Opposed.

Ms. Benjamin presented a list of definitions to the commission that she recommended changes or amended wording to be included. Printouts of the recommendations that were discussed were presented to each PTC member for them to refer to during discussion. Each definition and recommendation was presented and discussed by the PTC members. It was recommended by the Chair to the commission be given time to further review and discuss.

Mr. Kothe requested that items of discussions for proposed changes be presented to the PTC members a few days ahead of time so that there is ample time to review those proposed changes prior to the meeting or so if there are concerns PTC members have the opportunity to properly be able to discuss them.

Chapter 3 Discussion:

Ms. Benjamin presented a list of recommended changes or amended wording that she had prepared. Members of the PTC were provided with copies of the recommendations for reference. Discussion was presented by PTC members concerning recommendations presented. The Chair recommended that the members be given time to further review the details and changes presented and the items were tabled until the next meeting.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Maher to amend the agenda as presented to allow for public comment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wich. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 7 I’s and 0 opposed, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor to the public for comment. Comments from the public concerning recommendations were heard by the PTC members at that time.

With no other items on the agenda and no motion to accept other business, a **motion** was made by Mr. Kothe and seconded by Mr. Terry Smith to adjourn. With no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.