

SUFFOLK COUNTY PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER AND AUTOMATIC FIRE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS LICENSING BOARD



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Minutes of January 20, 2022 General Meeting

The meeting was brought to order by M. Matteo at 10:03 am.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

- Motion to accept the minutes from the December 16, 2021 meeting made by J. Meyer and seconded by A. Dupsiva.

Public Comment Period

- None present

Correspondence

Email to Board from Niranjan Sagapuram regarding his departure from the County Attorney's Office.

The Board sends their congratulations and wishes him the best of luck in his new position in the County.

Application(s) Review

a) Approved Fire Prevention Corp.

License renewal application for Luke Horstmann. (Portable Fire Extinguishers)

License renewal application for Ryan Sweeney. (Portable Fire Extinguishers)

Motion to move applications forward made by M. Matteo and seconded by J. Meyer.

b) All Safe Fire Protection Inc.

New license application for George Ulley. (Portable Fire Extinguishers, Dry/Wet Chemical Fixed Extinguishing Systems)

Motion to move application forward made by M. Matteo and seconded by J. Meyer.

c) Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP

License renewal application for William Browne. (Portable Fire Extinguishers)

Motion to move application forward made by J. Meyer and seconded by A. Duspiva.

d) Standard Fire Protection LLC dba Vigilant Fire & Safety III

New license application for William Coyle III. (Portable Fire Extinguishers, Dry/Wet Chemical Fixed Extinguishing Systems)

Motion to move application forward made by M. Matteo and seconded by A. Duspiva.

e) Firematic Supply Co., Inc.

New license application for John Lessard. (Portable Fire Extinguishers, High Pressure Hydrostatic Testing)

Motion to move application forward made by M. Matteo and seconded by A. Duspiva.

f) B&J Fire dba Firemasters

New license application for Jeremiah Zeltmann. (Portable Fire Extinguishers, Dry/Wet Chemical Fixed Extinguishing Systems, Clean Agent Systems)

Motion to move application forward made by M. Matteo and seconded by A. Duspiva; J. Meyer abstained from the vote.

Review of Reported Complaints

None.

Report of the Chairperson

No report.

Report of the County Attorney

Not present.

Report of Fire Marshal

R. Fisher and M. Matteo have no report.

Report of FMASCO

M. Matteo has no report.

Report of Industry Representatives

J. Meyer and A. Duspiva have no report.

Report of Authorities Having Jurisdiction

- None

<u>Unfinished Business</u>

a) All Safe Fire Protection, Inc.

Certificate of Registration renewal application. (Portable Fire Extinguishers, Dry/Wet Chemical Fixed Extinguishing Systems). The Certificate of Registration renewal application was received late (expired 9/30/21, received renewal on 10/8/21), no Portables training certificates were submitted and Systems certificates were expired, and there were no applications submitted for renewal, which have also expired. Motion to reject and return the application and have them all be re-submitted as new applications made by J. Meyer and seconded by A. Duspiva. Application returned with renewal denial letter via certified mail. Certified return receipt receive back with "COVID19 RTZ 11/1" written on it. Updated training certificates received 11/18/21 with application to re-submit. Motion made to move forward with application as new made by J. Meyer and seconded by A. Duspiva, send a Cease and Desist letter as they cannot conduct business in Suffolk County until they are licensed. Cease and Desist letter sent certified mail 12/9/21. Motion to table and follow up if necessary at the next meeting made by J. Meyer and seconded by D. Lynch. Certified return receipt received; application for license for G. Ulley received (see Application(s) Review).

Motion to move G. Ulley's application forward already made (see Application(s) Review section).

b) J. Fire Protection Inc. dba Star Fire Protection Co.

Complaint received 11/9/2021 naming J. Fire Protection Inc. dba Star Fire Protection Co. The location is Islandia Expressway Realty LLC, 2929 Express Drive North, Islandia, NY 11749. Discussion ensued regarding the complaint. Motion to send a Letter to Appear with a renewal reminder made by J. Meyer and seconded by M. Matteo. Letter to Appear sent certified mail 12/9/21. Motion to grant extension, send letter that we are aware the notice was sent out late and that they are expected to appear at the January meeting. Motion made by J. Meyer and seconded by A. Duspiva. Email sent to J. Ragnanan with copy of original Letter to Appear 1/3/22. Email read 1/3/22, no further correspondence.

No response and no one present at meeting; they are no longer licensed in Suffolk County. Motion to send Cease and Desist letter, as well as request to return their Certificate of Registration and licenses that are expired; further, they cannot submit new or renewal applications until they come before the Board, as previously requested, to respond to the complaint received. Motion made by M. Matteo and seconded by A. Duspiva.

c) Standard Fire Suppression Corp.

Complaint received 11/17/2021 naming Standard Fire Suppression Corp. The location is Ferguson Plumbing Supply, 900 Sylvan Avenue, Bayport, NY 11705.

This company is not licensed in Suffolk County. Motion to send letter to Cease and Desist made by M. Matteo and seconded by J. Meyer. Copy the FMASCO representative so he can distribute the notification to all AHJ's. Cease and Desist letter sent certified mail 12/8/21; copy of letter sent via email to M. Matteo. Motion to table until next month for follow up made by J. Meyer and seconded by D. Lynch.Certified letter returned as "Undeliverable Without Company Name or Suite Number" by the US Post Office.

Discussion ensued; motion made to re-send Cease and Desist to both addresses, the one listed on their invoice and the one listed on their webpage, made by M. Matteo and seconded by A. Duspiva.

New Business

J. Meyer presented a letter from Ken-Mar Fire Extinguishers Co., Inc. stating that Ken is heading towards retirement and Firemasters will be taking over outside inspections and required yearly service for their accounts during this transition time.

A. Duspiva will be submitting a formal complaint regarding an unlicensed company "Alphaco" (picture submitted to Board).

Expirations

Certificate of Registration

- Chase Fire Products, Inc. 1/31/2022
- J. Fire Protection Inc. dba Star Fire Protection Co. 11/30/2021

Individual Licenses

- Chase Fire Products, Artem Perchenok 1/31/2022
- J. Fire Protection Inc. Johnny Ragnanan 11/30/2021

Next Meeting

- The next meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2022 at 10:00 AM, at the Suffolk County Fire Academy.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by J. Meyer and was seconded by M. Matteo, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:24 AM.

(T) – Teleconferenced

MEMBERS PRESENT	GUESTS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
M. Matteo		Brianne Minden
Jim Meyer		Ryan Fischer
Al Duspiva		