



**SUFFOLK COUNTY PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER AND  
AUTOMATIC FIRE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS LICENSING BOARD**  
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Minutes of April 21, 2022 General Meeting

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The meeting was brought to order by J. Kuethen at 10:02 am.

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

- Motion to accept the minutes from the March 17, 2022 meeting made by M. Matteo and seconded by A. Dupsiva.

**Public Comment Period**

- None

**Correspondence**

**John Campasano 154A returned his license.** *Employee Termination Notice received from Standard Fire Protection for John Campasano 154A. Send an email to Mr. Campasano requesting he return his license.*

**Employee Termination Notice for Andres Salazar, license returned.** *\*See Application(s) Review section for Prior License Holder application*

**Application(s) Review**

**a) Fire Foe Corp.**

New license application for Kevin Crowley Jr. (Portable Fire Extinguishers, High Pressure Hydrostatic Testing)

New license application for Christopher Aviles. (Portable Fire Extinguishers, High Pressure Hydrostatic Testing)

***Motion to move both applications forward made by J. Meyer and seconded by A. Duspiva.***

**b) Standard Fire Protection LLC dba Vigilant Fire & Safety III**

Prior License Holder license application for Andres Salazar. (Portable Fire Extinguishers, Dry/Wet Chemical Fixed Extinguishing Systems)

***Motion to move application forward and waive written and proficiency testing since his relinquished license was still current made by M. Matteo and seconded by D. Lynch.***

**c) New Generation Fire Corp. dba All Island Fire Protection**

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

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

### **Review of Reported Complaints**

- a) Complaint received 4/1/2022 naming Suffolk Fire Inc., dba Anderson Fire. The location is Asian Pearl, 496 County Road 111, Bldg E, Suite 1, Manorville, NY 11949.

***Complaint read and discussed; motion to send Letter to Appear to the business owner, technician and alleged unlicensed employee named in the complaint. Motion made by D. Lynch and seconded by J. Meyer. M. Matteo abstains from voting.***

- b) Complaint received 4/6/22 naming Bolla Oil/Market. The location is Bolla Market/Oil, 3705 Middle Country Road, Calverton, NY 11901.

***Discussion ensued regarding complaint; work was performed by Bolla employees, who are not licensed in Suffolk County, after Elite Action Fire tagged the system. Motion to send Cease and Desist Letter along with applications for licenses and Certificate of Registration made by D. Lynch and seconded by M. Matteo.***

- c) Complaint received 4/11/2022 naming LC Squared dba All Out Fire Equipment. The location is Help Suffolk, 685 Brookhaven Avenue, Bellport, NY 11713.

***Complaint read and discussed; extinguisher was incorrectly tagged and compliant. Motion sent to send a letter requesting retraining of employees and that they return to the incident location and correct complaint made by J. Meyer and seconded by D. Lynch.***

### **Report of the Chairperson**

*No report.*

### **Report of the County Attorney**

*Not present.*

### **Report of Fire Marshal**

*No report.*

### **Report of FMASCO**

*No report.*

### **Report of Industry Representatives**

*J. Meyer and A. Duspiva both attended NAFED in Atlantic City. The reported that materials shortages is still an issue industry-wide.*

**Report of Authorities Having Jurisdiction**

*M. Matteo has no report; no others present.*

**Unfinished Business**

- a) Complaint received 2/17/2022 naming Alphaco Sprinkler LLC. The location is Il Buco Out East LLC, 231 Main Street, Amagansett, NY 11930. *Discussion ensued regarding the complaint. Suggestion to reach out to Tom Baker for any additional information. Motion to table until further investigation can be completed made by M. Matteo and seconded by J. Meyer. Email received from FM Baker regarding complaint; he spoke with Alphaco Sprinkler and advised them that they need to be licensed in Suffolk County in order to perform any work on suppression systems. Motion to send Cease and Desist letter made by A. Dupsiva and seconded by M. Matteo. Certified letters mailed 3/25/22; two addresses listed online. Certified return receipt received from the 1231 Lafayette Avenue address 4/4/22. No further correspondence.*

**Motion to close and file made by M. Matteo and seconded by J. Meyer.**

- b) Complaint received 2/1/2022 naming Fire Command Co., Inc. The location is James H. Boyd Intermediate School, 286 Cuba Hill Road, Huntington, NY 11743.

Complaint received 2/1/2022 naming Fire Command Co., Inc. The location is Harley Avenue Primary School (Boiler Room), 30 Harley Avenue, Elwood, NY 11731.

Complaint received 2/1/2022 naming Fire Command Co., Inc. The location is Harley Avenue Primary School (Kitchen), 30 Harley Avenue, Elwood, NY 11731.

Complaint received 2/2/2022 naming Fire Command Co., Inc. The location is John H. Glenn High School, 478 Elwood Road, Elwood, NY 11731.

*Items "a" through "d" discussed, motion to send Letter to Appear made by M. Matteo and seconded by D. Lynch. Certified letter mailed 3/25/22. Certified return receipt received 4/4/22. Email from Michael Suarez requesting to appear at the May meeting.*

**Motion to send letter confirming attendance to the May meeting made by J. Meyer and seconded by A. Duspiva.**

- c) Complaint received 3/10/2022 naming Elite Action Fire. The location is BP Subway Dunkin Donuts, 410 Wheeler Road, Hauppauge, NY 11788. *FM Minder reported via telephone, explained that he had issues with the blow out caps in the past and has seen an increased number of caps missing since his last inspection. Motion to send a Letter to Appear made by M. Matteo and seconded by D. Lynch. Certified letter mailed 3/25/22. Certified return receipt received 4/4/22. Fil Conte, President, emailed requesting to appear at the May meeting, as he is out of town for the April meeting.*

**Motion to send letter confirming attendance for the May meeting, as well as contacting FM Minder to request his attendance to the May meeting made by J. Meyer and seconded by D. Lynch.**

- d) Review and update written exam questions/review and update Rules and Regulations to accommodate online/virtual testing. *R. Fischer suggested creating a test bank in order to hopefully move forward with online testing. He suggested the Board review each test and check that questions are current with NFPA standards, NYS requirements, as well as adding questions regarding Suffolk County law and FELB Rules and Requirements. We can work with County IT to get online testing software that would be adequate for FELB testing. He also suggesting decreasing the length allowed for the test with the allowance of an open book policy. The FELB Rules and Regulations also need updating/revision. J. Kuethen and D. Lynch requested starting test question revision with just the Portables Tests (versions A, B, and C). B. Minden will send the three versions of the test along with the current Rules and Regulations to the Board for their review.*

**Motion to table for next meeting made by M. Matteo and seconded by J. Meyer.**

### **New Business**

- a) M. Matteo suggested we rephrase our Letter to Appear to clarify requests for postponement. Motion made by M. Matteo and seconded by D. Lynch.

### **Expirations**

#### **Certificate of Registration**

*None*

#### **Individual Licenses**

*None*

### **Next Meeting**

- The next meeting is scheduled for May 19, 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 A. Duspiva, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:21 AM.

(T) – Teleconferenced

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>GUESTS PRESENT</b>	<b>STAFF PRESENT</b>
Joseph Kuethen		Brianne Minden
Donald Lynch		Ryan Fischer
Al Duspiva		
Michael Matteo		
James Meyer		