



**SUFFOLK COUNTY PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER AND
AUTOMATIC FIRE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS LICENSING BOARD**
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Minutes of the
January 12, 2012 Meeting

The meeting was brought to order by E. Springer at 9:06am.

Public Comment Period

None

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

A motion was made by P. Hanratty to accept the minutes from the December 1, 2011 meeting; seconded by K. Hahn. Motion was carried unanimously.

E. Springer reported that J. Searing resigned from Fire Rescue. There will no longer be a Chairperson Designee. J. Williams will now attend the meetings. He has asked E. Springer to run the meetings.

Correspondence

None

Application(s) Review

The Board discussed and reviewed the Certificate of Registration application to change the business name of Fire Control Systems to Fire Control Solutions Design & Protection, dba FCP. K. Hahn made a motion to accept the application and issue the business a new certificate of registration number. P. Hanratty seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board discussed and reviewed the Certificate of Registration application for Suppression Systems, Inc. and the License applications for Wayne C. Fulmer, Paul R Yergey, Jr., and Keith R. Loch. P. Hanratty made a motion to recommend to the Commissioner that Suppression Systems, Inc. be issued a certificate of registration and Wayne C. Fulmer, Paul R Yergey, Jr., and Keith R. Loch be issued licenses. K. Hahn seconded. Motion carried.

E. Springer reported that there are three (3) individuals that need the test read to them, one of which needs it translated into Spanish. He reported that the office has two (2) employees that speak Spanish that could potentially read the exam to the individual. E. Springer stated that one of the employees is a fireman and the other has no fire service background. J. Williams questioned R. Nissan to see if it would be ok to let a Fire Rescue employee read the exam to the individual. The Board discussed the employee's backgrounds and agreed that the one with no fire service background should read the exam to the individual.

Reported Violations Review

E. Springer reported that there are three (3) cases in court right now.

P. Hanratty reported that there are still individuals misrepresenting themselves. He reported that his company called one of their long standing customers, Sandy at Vteqe on Bernice Drive in Bayport, only to find out that someone from another company went in there and told the customer that he was an employee from Firematic Supply and was taking over the account for the former employee that serviced the account. The individual that did the servicing was a 20 year old male. The tags that he put on the extinguishers were from All Island Fire Protection & Supply, Ltd. and the tag was signed by Anthony Varajao with license number 112A.

E. Springer stated that he will investigate.

Report of the Chairperson

None

Report of the County Attorney

R. Nissan reported that the Legislature approved the resolution. The resolution then went to the County Executive's Office for signature. At this time it is unknown if it has been signed by the County Executive. He stated that he will check and get back to the Board. E. Springer stated that he received a phone call from the County Attorney's Office asking for an explanation for the change, which he gave them.

Report of Fire Marshals

E. Springer reported that he is following up on reported violations.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

E. Springer reported that there are a few outstanding application items that will be reviewed.

E. Springer reported that the next test will be on February 1, 2012.

J. Williams asked how the Board could stop situations similar to what P. Hanratty explained earlier from happening. D. Hausz from All-Out Fire Equipment Co. Inc. suggested that the County put out Public Notices on the subject.

E. Springer stated that a Public Notice letter was sent out awhile back but suggested that J. Williams will bring it to the new County Executive for possible press conference or press release.

E. Springer was hoping that the District Attorney's office would do a public announcement, but so far that has not happened, but it could in the future.

E. Springer stated that customers can get list of registered shops on our website.

A. LaValle suggested training for local fire marshals on what to look for. He stated that sometimes they need to look a little deeper than just the tag. He also stated that industry representatives would like to attend Fire Marshal's Association meeting to teach the fire marshals. E. Springer reported that County Fire Marshals are going to manufacturers training. K Peterson is arranging for Badger to come to the Fire Marshal's Association meeting to do a two (2) hour class.

A. LaValle asked if the meeting notifications could be sent out earlier.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by P. Hanratty and seconded by K. Hahn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:36am.

MEMBERS PRESENT	GUESTS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Joseph F. Williams	Randy Nissan	Kristine Bolliger
Edward Springer	Alex LaValle	
Kenneth Hahn	Don Hausz	
Peter Hanratty	Jim Meyer	

NEXT MEETING/WORKSHOP	February 9, 2012
TIME	9:00a
LOCATION	FRES Library