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**CONSTRUCTION CODE COMMISSION**  
Upper Level, Conference Room 6  
611 W. Ottawa Street  
Lansing, Michigan 48933

**MINUTES**  
January 6, 2016  
9:30 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. William Benoit, Jr. (Chair)  
Mr. Thomas Baldwin  
Mr. Michael Boss  
Mr. Frederick Butters  
Mr. James Cripps  
Mr. Anthony D'Ascenzo  
Mr. Roger Donaldson  
Mr. William Duffield  
Mr. Thomas Erdman  
Mr. Kenneth D. Misiewicz  
Mr. Sean O'Neil  
Mr. Roger Papineau  
Mr. Matthew Reno  
Mr. Donald Staley  
Dr. Joseph Sucher

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mr. Nelson McMath  
Mr. Mike DePrez

**DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL PRESENT**

Mr. Irvin Poke, Director, BCC  
Ms. Hillary Cushman, Assistant to Mr. Poke  
Mr. Kevin Kalakay, Chief, Mechanical Division  
Mr. Joseph Madziar, Chief, Plumbing Division  
Mr. Michael Somers, Office of Administrative and Management Services  
Mr. Stanley Skopek, Assistant Chief, Plan Review & Building Division

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr. Tom Warren, Attorney General  
Mr. Lee Schwartz, Home Builders Association of Michigan  
Mr. Ray, Hausbeck, Saginaw Township  
Ms. Cindy Maher, MPMCA  
Mr. Paul Brake

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1. **CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Chairperson Benoit called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m. A quorum was determined present at that time.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Baldwin moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Misiewicz seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Donaldson moved to approve the minutes of the July 1, 2015 meeting. Commissioner D'Ascenzo seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Poke advised that February 8, 2016 the Michigan Residential Code will go into effect.

Director Poke stated that the Plumbing and Rehabilitation codes are at LSB, and the public hearing will be in March.

Director Poke discussed the commercial building code stating that there are issues flagged that need to be discussed.

Director Poke announced that BCC has implemented the Accela Automation project. The bureau has a new software system that allows for everything to be done, except for the submission of plans (phase 2). We are working through the problems as we go. Electrical license renewals started just as we implemented the new system. These licenses can be verified on our new web system.

Director Poke gave a legislative update as follows:

HB 5000 – Amend 230 exempt existing barns for events. Offer barns for events for assembly use.

HB 5121 – Amend 230 to require placards on light frame construction buildings other than one and two family dwellings.

HB 5123 – Amend 230 to require ARC fault interrupters in all branch circuits in the one and two family residences.

HB 5130 – Amend 230 to define hoop houses and conditions for exemptions from the construction code.

SB 555 – Amend PA 299 Occupational code to allow 3<sup>rd</sup> party electronic tracking of continuing education.

SB 577 – Amend 230 exempt fire alarm shop drawings from the requirement of professional services.

Director Poke announced that the bureau is now partnered with PSI for third party testing for electrical examinees.

5. **EXECUTIVE ORDER 1996-2**

Director Poke then spoke regarding Executive Order 1996-2. He advised that the Order makes the commission advisory. The act puts a lot of the functions back to the department and the director. This came to the bureau's attention during the RPM project Spring 2015 and LPI processes. Due to the Executive Order, the functions of the boards and commissions are now being handled by the department. There was discussion with the commissioners regarding their future responsibilities.

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

NONE

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

Lee Schwartz brought up his Above Code Programs Email, blower door testing certification. Home builders concern for discussion.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Commissioner Anthony D'Ascenzo commented on Executive Order 1996-2.

Cindy Maher commented on the cancellation of board meetings due to Executive Order 1996-2.

9. **2016 SCHEDULE**

April 6, July 6, October 5

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner O'Neil moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:51 a.m. Commissioner Donaldson seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVED:

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Chairman, Construction Code Commission

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Date