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Ottawa Building, Upper Level, Conference Room #2
611 West Ottawa Street
Lansing, Michigan 48933

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MINUTES
December 19, 2017
9:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. David Kuras, Chairperson
Mr. Brett Karl
Mr. Doug Datema
Mr. John Vitale
Mr. Keith Lambert
Mr. Mark Pawlowski
Mr. Michael Vandervennet
Mr. Mike Nelson
Ms. Terri Flint

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Mark Smith
Ms. Ulysha Hall

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ATTENDING

Ms. Alesha Gensler, Deputy Director, BCC
Mr. David Stenrose, Chief, Boiler and Elevator Division, BCC
Mr. Robert Babinski, Elevator Inspector, Boiler and Elevator Division, BCC
Mr. Craig LaLonde, Elevator Inspector, Boiler and Elevator Division, BCC
Ms. Hillary Millen, Department Analyst, Administrative Services Division, BCC
Ms. Sara Leiby, Secretary, Administrative Services Division, BCC

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Chairperson Kuras called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m. A quorum was present at that time.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Flint and **SECONDED** by Board Member Vitale to approve the agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Vital and **SECONDED** by Board Member Flint to approve the minutes for the July 18, 2017 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Ms. Barbara Winter from State Representative Robert Wittenberg's office explained that the members of the board may contact his office with any legislative issues.
- B. Mr. Hamilton Gayden inquired on the product approval process, including expected timeframe and communication stream.

Board Member Lambert explained that Mr. Stenrose can assist him with his inquiry following the meeting.

- C. Mr. Don Purdy, Detroit Elevator Company, commented on the difficult testing regiment and expressed his belief that it is imperative for this business for a chief elevator inspector to be an elevator person. Mr. Purdy also explained the issues he has in regards to the New Business agenda items.
- D. Ms. Terry Flint added she was glad to see the New Business agenda items to address issues and expressed her concern with the cost for the end user. Ms. Flint hopes for cooperation to meet code and remedy costs.

5. VARIANCE REQUESTS

A. McLaren Northern Michigan Parking Structure – Permit # 85581

Variance request for McLaren Northern Michigan Parking Structure located in Petoskey was presented to the Board for relief from the requirements of Sections 2.27 and 3.27 Emergency Operation and Signaling Devices of the 2010 edition of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) A17.1 Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators adopted by the 2010 edition of the Michigan Elevator Rules.

Mr. Tom Lingris, OTIS Elevator Company, attended the meeting and provided an overview of the variance request to the Board.

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Board Member Flint and **SECONDED** by Board Member Vandervennet to deny the variance request; the fire service recall and smoke detectors shall be installed per code. **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Mt. Clemens Masonic Lodge

Variance request for Mt. Clemens Masonic Lodge located in Mt. Clemens was presented to the Board for relief from the requirements of Section 2.7.1 Limitation of Load, Speed, and Travel of the 2011 edition of the ASME A18.1 Safety Standard for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts as adopted by the 2010 edition of the Michigan Elevator Rules.

Mr. Bruce Lardner, 2nd Step LLC, and Mr. Karl Schindler, Grace Home Life Solutions, attended the meeting and provided an overview of the variance request to the Board.

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Board Member Vital and **SECONDED** by Board Member Vandervennet to postpone the variance request to allow time for the Board to further investigate the ASME A18.1 14' travel restriction and the proposed Savaria 1504 Commercial Vertical Platform Lift currently in use in Detroit via site visit and discussion with the respective elevator inspector. **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. UAW Family Education Center – Permit # ELEV17-00139

Variance request for the UAW Family Education Center located in Onaway was represented to the Board with the drawings requested for relief from the requirements of Section 3.6.8.2.4 of the 2008 edition (2011 edition per 2010 Rules) of the ASME A18.1 Safety Standard for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts as adopted by the 2010 edition of the Michigan Elevator Rules.

Mr. Paul VanFleteren, President of B&D Elevator Services Inc., attended the meeting and provided an overview of the additional information provided since the last meeting.

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Board Member Flint and **SECONDED** by Board Member Vitale to deny the variance request to remove safety arms based on the availability of other products on the market. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Status of Safety Test Forms

Ms. Gensler, Mr. Stenrose, and Mr. Babinski informed the Board that the BCC-3277 original test form and the BCC-0450 and BCC-0451 current test forms will be accepted until June 19, 2018. After June 19, 2018 the newest test forms revised in December of 2017 will be required. The original test form was revamped per

code and the newest test form was produced in response to industry request. The fillable forms will be available online in the future.

Board Member Flint requested a month for the industry to review the newest test forms and for the board to conduct a special meeting to provide feedback to the department.

Ms. Gensler responded that she would contact the attorney general to see if the Bureau can accommodate Board Member Flint's request and continue with plan for 6 month implementation.

B. Correction Order Process – Email Process

Board Member Datema inquired on the current process for correction orders, including provision by email.

Mr. Stenrose explained that when an inspector sites a violation referencing the standard and section, a violation, instead of correction order, is emailed to the owner if an email is on file. If not, violations are printed and mailed to the owner. The owner should notify the contractor when a violation is received. Once the violation is corrected, the contractor should call inspector to indicate compliance for re-inspection within 30 days. The level of violation (low, medium, or high) will determine if re-inspection is required to clear the violation.

C. Status of Online Permit Application

Mr. Stenrose informed the board that the online permit application is not yet available. Once the online application is available, a notice will be placed on the web.

D. Process of Handling Inspector Inconsistencies

Board Member Datema inquired on the Bureau's process to handle inspector inconsistencies.

Mr. Stenrose explained that training was recently provided to address inspector inconsistencies. Board Member Lambert, Ms. Gensler, and Mr. Stenrose advised if problems continue, detailed account of inspector issue(s) should be provided in writing by email directly to Mr. Stenrose.

Ms. Gensler provided update on the posting for the Administrative Manager for the future Elevator, Ski and Amusement Division.

E. 2018 Meeting Schedule

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Vital and **SECONDED** by Board Member Flint to approve the proposed 2018 meeting schedule. **MOTION CARRIED.**

8. 2018 MEETING DATES

The Board is scheduled to meet at 9:30 a.m. at 611 W. Ottawa, Lansing, MI 48933 in Upper Level Conference Room #2 on March 27, 2018, June 26, 2018, September 25, 2018, and December 18, 2018.

9. ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Flint and **SECONDED** by Board Member Datema to adjourn the meeting at 11:46 a.m. **MOTION CARRIED.**