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DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
LANSING

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DIRECTOR

BOARD OF MECHANICAL RULES
Ottawa Building, Upper Level Conference Room 3
611 West Ottawa Street
Lansing, MI 48933

APPROVED 5/21/2025

MINUTES
February 26, 2025
10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Jason Finch, Chairperson
Michael Card, Vice Chairperson
Ned Hawkins, Secretary
Lorenzo Brown
Jason Zorn
Jerry Payne
Frank Wimmer

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dennis Mowbray
Nicolas Sachjen
Terry Gilligan
Vacant – Water/Fire Tube Boiler Manufacturers
Vacant – Fire Suppression

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ATTENDING

Andrew Brisbo, Bureau of Construction Codes Director, BCC
Alesha Gensler, Division Director, Licensing, Compliance, & Administration Section, BCC
Kate Wagner, Legislative Liaison, Administration, BCC
Kelly Bean, Manager, Licensing Section, BCC
Shannon Maurer, Manager, Operations Section, BCC
Lakisha Thomas, Departmental Technician, Operations Section, BCC
Megan McCool, Departmental Technician, Operations Section, BCC

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Chairperson Finch called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was present at that time.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairperson Card and **SECONDED** by Board Member Payne to approve the agenda. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. November 21, 2024

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairperson Card and **SECONDED** by Secretary Hawkins to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2024, meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON & SECRETARY

A. Vice Chairperson

A **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Finch and **SECONDED** by Board Member Brown to nominate and elect Board Member Card as Vice Chairperson. (Aye: Board Members Finch, Brown, Zorn, Payne, Wimmer, Hawkins; Nay: None). **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Secretary

A **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Finch and **SECONDED** by Vice Chairperson Card to nominate and elect Board Member Hawkins as Secretary. (Aye: Board Members Finch, Brown, Zorn, Payne, Wimmer, Card; Nay: None). **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. APPLICANTS APPEALING DENIAL

A. Jason Jonker – Mechanical Contractor Examination

The Board acknowledged receipt and reviewed Jason Jonker’s appeal from the denial of his Application for Mechanical Contractor Examination and Licensure, along with all supplemental materials.

Jason Jonker did appear before and presented to the Board.

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Finch and **SECONDED** by Board Member Payne to recommend the Bureau of Construction Codes deny Jason Jonker’s appeal due to not working under a licensed contractor with the required classifications to sit for the exam. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. HVAC Programs - Local 174 Plumbers, Fitters, & Service Trades – Service Apprenticeship Standards.

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairperson Card and **SECONDED** by Secretary Hawkins to recommend the Bureau of Construction Codes credit 1 year towards the required time for licensure upon completion of a 5-year HVAC program. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7. NEW BUSINESS

None

8. BUREAU QUARTERLY REPORT

Deputy Director Alesha Gensler reported on the following:

The Bureau recently went through an organization restructure. Keith Lambert who normally attended and provided the Board with the Bureau's quarterly report, will now oversee the Specialty Trades Division which includes Boiler, Elevator and Ski and Amusement.

Jon Paradine will now oversee the Inspection Division which includes the Building, Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical, Plan Review, Permits and Training and Education.

Senate Bill 740 was previously signed into law, is now PA 172 of 2024, and will take effect April 2, 2025. More information will be provided by the Bureau and emailed to all licensees.

The 2021 Michigan Building Code and Michigan Rehabilitation Code Rules were filed December 10, 2024, and will go into effect April 9, 2025. 2021 Michigan Energy Commercial Code Rules were filed December 23, 2024, and go into effect April 22, 2025. The Bureau held a public meeting on December 12, 2024, for the public to provide the Bureau with comments on moving forward with the 2024 Michigan Residential Code. The Bureau will pursue the adoption of the 2024 International Residential Code (IRC). The Bureau plans to pursue the 2021 Michigan Residential Energy Code and the Residential Code which were filed with the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR).

The Bureau is still struggling to obtain quorum for meetings. Alesha asked the Board members to please add the meeting dates to their calendar.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

10. NEXT MEETING DATE – MAY 21, 2025

The Board is scheduled to meet next at 10:00 a.m. at 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, MI 48933 in the Upper Level Conference Room 4 on May 21, 2025.

11. ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Payne and **SECONDED** by Vice Chairperson Card to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**