



CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS
FIRE BOARD OF APPEALS
VIRTUAL MEETING
MEETING **MINUTES**
NOVEMBER 8, 2024 – 8:30 A.M.

Present Fire Board of Appeals Board Members (7):

- David Hewett, Chair
- Mike Riggs, Vice Chair
- Ron Honn
- Jannic Ekornes
- J Newlin Sharkey
- Kyler Bush
- Lee Tankersley

Industry Represented:

- Small Business
- Architecture
- Citizen At-Large
- Fire Suppression
- Insurance
- Large Business
- Alternate

Not Present (1):

- Eric Moburg

Industry Represented:

- Building

Vacant Position (0):

Industry Represented:

Present Fire Board of Appeals Secretary

- Kris Cooper, Deputy Fire Marshal

Representing:

- Colorado Springs Fire Department

Additional Attendee(s):

- Connie Manning, Compliance Coordinator
- Melonie Aldred, Administrative Assistant, Senior
- Jeff Hanenberg, Deputy Fire Marshal

Representing:

- Colorado Springs Fire Department
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CALL TO ORDER

1. Board Chair Hewett called the meeting to order at 8:39 A.M. and promptly conducted a roll call.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Board Member Ekornes motioned to approve the meeting minutes.

Vice Chair Riggs seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Contractor Licensing

A. Fire Suppression Contractor A

- i. **Business Name:** EVERON, LLC
- Applicant: Gary Anderson
- RME: Gary Anderson

DFM Cooper stated applicant meets the necessary requirements and recommended approval.

**Vice Chair Riggs motioned to approve the application.
Board Member Bush seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.**

BUSINESS

1. Development Review Enterprise Advisory Committee (DREAC)

Presenter: Kris Cooper, Deputy Fire Marshal, Colorado Springs Fire Department

DFM Cooper provided a brief history of the Development Review Enterprise Citizens Advisory Committee and that it has been rebranded and the Development Review Enterprise Advisory Committee (DREAC). Board Member Ron Honn has expressed interest in serving on this committee, but to date, his application has not been received. DFM Cooper stated it is important that there be representation from the Fire Board of Appeals (FBA) on the DREAC, so the FBA's voice is heard. If Board Member Honn is unable to fulfill this request, DFM Cooper asked the board members to consider being a secondary applicant.

Chair Hewett stated that it is important that someone is on the committee and that the person has at least another year on their term. If Board Member Honn is unable to do it, Chair Hewett asked the other members to volunteer.

DFM Cooper clarified that the application has to be submitted by next Friday and would like someone to volunteer today.

Alternate Board Member Tankersley stated he would be willing to be a secondary applicant.

DFM Cooper asked Melonie Aldred to email Alternate Board Member Tankersley the information.

Chair Hewett stated he will reach out to Board Member Honn later today to validate his intentions.

DFM Hanenberg stated the Board Member Honn is having trouble signing on to the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ethics Training

Chair Hewett inquired if we are doing the training today.

DFM Cooper stated Senior Attorney, Frederick Stein would like to do the training in person, and this will get scheduled at the next couple of meetings.

OTHER ITEMS

1. Board Member Terms

Presenter: Kris Cooper, Deputy Fire Marshal, Colorado Springs Fire Department

DFM Cooper stated that Chair Hewett and Board Member Honn terms are due to expire in April (2025) and asked all board members to think about potential replacements to fulfill the citizen at large and small business seats.

Chair Hewett stated that keeping a full board status is important.

DFM Cooper stated Alternate Board Member Tankersley could potentially fill a position.

2. Wildfire Resiliency Code Board State Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Code

Presenter: Brett Lacey, Fire Marshal, Colorado Springs Fire Department

FM Lacey joined the meeting. He gave a briefing on the Wildfire Resiliency Code Board State WUI Code. Much of the state code, which mimics the Colorado Springs Fire Department (CSFD) Appendix K, is nearing completion. He is proud of the work from the community and FBA in supporting the CSFD's creation of Appendix K. DFM Cooper was the principal person to draft the manual that is touted around the country today. The state has regarded the work that the FBA and the CSFD's Division of the Fire Marshal has done regarding this. Developing and enforcing code is never an easy thing. FM Lacey is very proud how the FBA and the Division of the Fire Marshal work together. He hopes to get back on these meetings soon.

3. Other

Board Member Honn joined the meeting.

Chair Hewett asked Board Member Honn if he is working on the DREAC application.

Board Member Honn replied he submitted his application last Tuesday.

DFM Cooper stated that Melonie reported the application has not been received.

Melonie Aldred, Administrative Assistant, Senior, stated Dan Sexton had not received the application as of Wednesday.

Board Member Honn replied that he received confirmation that someone would be contacting him.

Sr. Administrative Assistant Aldred stated she will follow up with Dan Sexton and keep Board Member Honn updated.

ADJOURN

Vice Chair Riggs motioned to adjourn.

Board Member Ekornes seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:51 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by,



Kris Cooper
Deputy Fire Marshal and Secretary to the Fire Board of Appeals

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