



CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE (C&S)

Agenda, Wednesday, March 12, 2025 – 1:00 p.m. (Teams-online)

[Instructions for attending the meeting can be found as an attachment of the agenda]

1) CALL TO ORDER

2) ATTENDANCE

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE February 5, 2025, MEETING – **MS Motion; TB Secoded. All in favor.**

4) COMMUNICATIONS:

SUBJECT & DATE RECEIVED	FROM	DESCRIPTION
A-25-02 Request for appeal received 2/17/25	Michael Coutu	[179 Old Hawleyville Rd. Bethel, CT] Appeal of local building official decision regarding code section 11.12.2.2.2.2 & NFPA 70. Panel Assigned: John (Jack) Butkus (Chair); Hank Cullinane; Johnny Carrier Frederick Wajcs, Jr. (Alternate)
A-25-03 Request for appeal received 2/19/25	Phillip Cerrone	[Conn. Airport Authority 334 Ella Grasso Blvd. Windsor Locks, CT] Appeal of OSFM modification denial regarding NFPA 409 Sec 409 4.1.2 hangar door heights. Panel Assigned: Keith Flood (Chair); David McKinely; Don Harwood; Greg Chandler (Alternate)
A-25-04 Request for appeal received 2/21/25	William & Barbara Schaefer c/o John W. Madigan III Esq.	[Gray Court, LLC; 6 Indian Spring Norwalk, CT] Appeal of decision by OSBI regarding a sleeping loft area (IEBC 801.4) Panel Assigned: Michael Sinsigalli (Chair) Donald Doeg, Esq.; Louis J. Free Johnny Carrier (Alternate)

5) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Codes Amendment Subcommittee – (L. Free) – **meeting after this C&S meeting; going over administrative procedures**

b) Ethics/Procedural Regulations Subcommittee – (D. Harwood) – **meeting needs to be rescheduled; work on guidance document; if you know appointment date, send it in**



6) **OLD BUSINESS**

None

7) **NEW BUSINESS**

a) **Staff Report**

- i) **Omarys Vasquez, State Building Inspector** – working on new positions & building code; appeals for interpretations/modifications request for additional documents
- ii) **Lauri Volkert, State Fire Marshal** – new crane/demo inspectors
- iii) **Anne Peterson/Rebecca Tamborra, Staff Counsel** – no updates

b) **Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee – (D. Harwood & M. Sinsigalli)**

c) **Training Councils:**

- i) Building Code Training Council – (M. Musco)
- ii) Fire Marshal Training Council – (D. Harwood)

d) **Report on Bills – (O. Vasquez)** – various bills being watched including hb 6839 childcare increase; hb 7119; membership on codes and standards committee; sb 1320

8) **APPEALS/COMPLAINTS**

- a) **C-24-01:** Complaint regarding Hartford Building Official (Al Torromeo). Correspondence received 12/16/24. Complaint filed by David Dutton alleges multiple building code violations including issues regarding lack of egress for apartment, electrical/wire violations, and unsafe conditions. Complaint form sent 1/30/25. **Waiting for complaint form to be returned. Status letter to be sent**
- b) **A-24-10** Request for Appeal received 5/23/24 from Steven Montgomery, Partner Lewis Brisbois RE: [422 Sport Hill Road, Easton, CT] appeal of a determination made by Peter Howard, the Town of Easton Building Inspector, to issue a Certificate of Occupancy for an indoor equestrian riding arena. Panel assigned: Lou Free, Chair; Anthony Cinicola, Panel; Tim Mikloiche, Panel; Jack Butkus, Alternate. Hearing held January 7, 2025. **Decision to be mailed within 90 days.**
- c) **A-24-11** Request for appeal received 6/12/24 from Joan Krajewski, Owner RE: [310 Hart Road, Guilford, CT] appeal of determination made on 11/9/22 by Kimberly Norman-Rosedam, Guilford Building Official RE: 29-265 (C) and Public Act 17-176. Relief Appellant is requesting is a final inspection and a certificate of occupancy. Referred to OSBI for review. **Panel assigned: Johnny Carrier (Chair), Greg Chandler, Anthony Cinicola, John Butkus (Alternate). Hearing being scheduled.**
- d) **A-24-14** Request for appeal received 7/31/24 from Steve Edelman RE: [50 Machine Shop Hill Road, South Windham, CT] Appealing municipal failure to fill board of appeals. “No decision or notice of failure from James Rivers/Board of Appeals. Relief requesting - void building official 8/7/23 Section 116 [sic] unsafe structure notice (purported) for due process deprivation



resulting from municipal refusal to fill a vacant board of appeals despite having qualified candidates and for refusal to acknowledge failure to make such appointments. Referred to Staff Counsel. Panel assigned: Terry Deveney, Chair; Tim Mikloiche, Panel, Fred Wajcs, Jr., Panel; Henry Miga (Alternate). **Lateness letter sent. Hold on agenda.**

- e) **A-24-18** Request for appeal received from Jason Brown RE: [99 New St. Seymour, CT] Appeal of the decision of the Seymour Building Official James Baldwin. Relief requested – certificate of occupancy; third party inspection to determine if property is habitable; change of use and building code violations review. Referred to OSBI for review. Panel Assigned: Johnny Carrier (Chair), David McKinely, Donald Harwood, and Louis Free (Alternate). **Hearing scheduled for March 20, 2025, 9am.**
- f) **A 24-19** Request for appeal received from Paul Bourque RE: [117 Bridge Street, Willimantic, CT 06226] determination made by David Woods, SFM on 08-27-24. Panel assigned: Mike Sinsigalli (Chair), Terry Deveney, Fred Wajcs and Alternate: Paul Costello. **Hearing started March 6, 2025. Hearing postponed; continuance date to be determined.**
- g) **A-24-20** Request for appeal received from Thomas Cronin RE: [824 Marshall Phelps Road, Windsor, CT 06095] Request for Appeal received 11-20-24 RE: determination made by Jeffrey Kertanis, SBI Panel assigned: Keith Flood (Chair), Mike Sinsigalli, Donald Harwood, Timothy Mikloiche (alternate). **Hearing held March 4, 2025. Decision to be sent in 90 days.**
- h) **A-25-01 Request for appeal received from Avery Lenhart RE: [Address]** Appeal of modification denial from OSFM regarding an automatic sprinkler system (2022 CSFSC Part III Sec. 903.2.8). Modification re-submitted to OSFM. **OSFM to follow up.** Withdrawal letter needed from appellant.

9) **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

C&S Committee received resignation letter from Bill Zoeler. The next Codes and Standards Committee Meeting is set for Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. Meeting format (online or in person) will be determined prior to the meeting (SEE TEAMS LINK ON NEXT PAGE FOR ENTERING MEETING).

10) **ADJOURNMENT**

**Codes and Standards Committee
January 2025 - December 2025**

OVERVIEW



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