

**Board of High Pressure Piping Systems  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, April 8, 2010  
Minnesota Room – Department of Labor & Industry  
443 Lafayette Road North, St Paul  
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**Members Present:**

Jim Andrie  
Bob Bastianelli  
Mark Geisenhoff  
Todd Green  
(DLI Commissioner's designee)  
David Grong  
Maureen Hanson  
Larry Jordan  
Mark Kincs  
Larry Stevens, Jr.

**Members Absent:**

Therese Bozicevich  
Pat Galatz  
Peg Larsen  
Vicki Sandberg

**Staff Present:**

Sandy Arndt  
John Schultz

**Visitors:**

Bill Heaney

**I. Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Stevens at 10:07 a.m.

**II. Approval of Meeting Agenda**

Andrie moved to accept the Agenda, seconded by Bastianelli. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

**III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Grong moved to approve the January 14, 2010 Minutes, seconded by Hanson. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

**IV. Regular Business**

- A. Minnesota High Pressure Piping Code –
  - i. Evaporative condensers in ammonia systems are required to have relief protection on the circuits that are valved off according to the code - Dave suggested to use spring checks in line to loop around the circuit as a relief protection device.

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Green confirmed the department does approve this type of relief protection.

- ii. Green stated ammonia relief vent headers per code must be at least 15 feet above the roof line – but piping system integrity and support will be taken in to account when determining whether the 15 feet height must be met.

B. Licensing –

- i. Licensing exam questions will still be multiple-choice, but will also have drawings/sketches from which questions will be based upon verses applicants sketching their own drawings. Green assumes this will be implemented by June 2010.
- ii. All questions on the licensing exams have been updated to the new code.

C. Continuing Education –

- i. Nothing was discussed.

#### **V. Special Business**

No Special Business was discussed.

#### **VI. Complaints**

No complaints were directed to the Board.

#### **VII. Open Forum**

No issues were directed to the Board.

#### **VIII. Board Discussion**

John Schultz reviewed the CCLD financial report through the first three quarters of the fiscal year and reported that HPP inspection fees submitted to the department are at 75% of the budgeted amount of \$520,000.

Session Laws Chapter 215 recently signed by the governor will enable the division to be solvent in FY 2012, which begins July 1, 2011. A provision in this session law raises the permit surcharge on building code permits from \$.50 to \$5.00 and is estimated to result in \$1.2 million in increased revenue for the division, partially offsetting the \$1.5 million transfer to the general fund.

Session Laws Chapter 183 includes licensing and certification requirements relating to medical gas, which would require a plumber's license and an ASSE certification.

## **IX. Announcements**

- A. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting
  - i. Thursday, July 1, 2010 – Minnesota Room, DLI. – 10:00 a.m.
  - ii. Thursday, October 14, 2010 – Minnesota Room, DLI – 10:00 a.m.

## **X. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Jordan, seconded by Kincaid, to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Bob Bastianelli*

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