# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE BOARD OF BUILDING REGULATION EXAMINERS AND APPEALS MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY January 29, 2015

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm. by Chair Bohne.

| <b>Board Present</b> | <b>Board Absent</b> | Staff Present   | Public Participation |
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| Scott Bohne          | Craig Fredeen       | Ross Noffsinger | Larry Lorenzo        |
| Serena O'Donnell     | Royal Fields        | Ron Thompson    | Jeff Hansen          |
| Jonathan Steele      | Jon Hawkinson       |                 |                      |
| Troy Feller          | Tyler Loken         |                 |                      |
| Sterling Strait      |                     |                 |                      |
| Eric Cowling         |                     |                 |                      |
| Preston McKee        |                     |                 |                      |
| John Edwards         |                     |                 |                      |
| Don McCann           |                     |                 |                      |
| Ray Hickel           |                     |                 |                      |
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#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mr. Steele moved to approved. Mr. Cowling second. Unanimously Approved.

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of December 11, 2014. Mr. Steele moved to approve. Mr. McKee second and Approved with one abstention.

# 4. APPEARANCE REQUESTS / PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE

#### 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# a. Chapter 23.10 Anchorage Administrative Code

Staff noted they would not be putting forth the fee changes as not all three main agencies approved the changes. AGC and AHBA approved them but ABC did not. The Board began discussion and noted there was some confusion on the how the changes were made; clarification was given and it was noted the fees on pages 51-60 in red would not be changing. However, staff is asking the board to accept Table 3.E on retrofits to reduce the fees.

Chair Bohne opened the floor to the public.

Larry Lorenzo spoke about retrofit permits and the new proposed permit exemption for the replacement of plumbing fixtures, item C, section 23.10.104.2.4 on page 25. Board members discussed fees.

Jeff Hansen with Viking Plumbing, mentioned in California that a program was started that lowered the fees and allowed licensed contractors to do the install and inspection for certain types of plumbing and mechanical work. He explained how the program worked and said the permits would go up. Staff is in agreement and noted it would

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take time and it would be looked at in the task group when they get together. The board continued discussion on fees.

Mr. McCann motioned to have staff clean up the Admin code. Ms O'Donnell seconds the motion. Mr. Steele made a substitute motion to approve Chapter 23.05 as submitted with the exception of the tables 3.A through 3.M with the exception for Table 3-E Retrofit permit fees, as the intent is to have the fees remain as existing today and on page 25, 23.10.104.2.4 Item C the words shower valve be removed. Mr. Cowling second. The Board discussed the motions. Chair Bohne called for a roll call vote. The vote was called and was unanimous.

Mr. Strait motioned 23.10.104.15.6 be deleted. Mr. Steele second. 9 in favor and 1 abstained.

Mr. McCann motioned that 23.10.104.12.4.C section be eliminated. Motion dies for lack of a second.

Chair called for the vote on Mr. Steele's motion. Motion carried.

### 6. NEW BUSINESS

Staff updated the board on changes in the department. Bob Kniefel is now the building official and the mayor recommended the Development Services Division be moved under the Public Works Department. Staff is finishing up paperwork and will be submitting it to the mayor for reorganization.

## 7. STAFF REPORTS -NONE

### 8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

All board members commented they had no personal animosity to anyone during the discussion and apologized if any was taken. Chair Bohne thanked the recording secretary for her efforts in providing a nice dinner for the board.

| 9. | <b>ADJOURNMENT:</b> | Meeting adjourned at | 7:40 p.m. <b>Mr.</b> | Steele moved. Ms. O | 'Donnell second. Approved |
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| Scott Bohne, Chair       | Date                        | Bob Kniefel, P.E.        |   | Date |
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