

# Lower Mainland Technical Committee of Building Officials

Minutes for June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Meeting  
Hosted by City of Port Moody

**Note:** The opinions expressed by this Committee in the Minutes of this meeting may be of assistance in determining the appropriate use of materials, equipment or methods of construction, but should NOT be considered as Official Building Code Interpretations.

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Date: June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Location:** City of Port Moody

- 1.0 **Welcome Attendees:** Trevor Welsh welcomed the attendees to the City of Port Moody. The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm
- 2.0 **Introduction of Members**
- 3.0 **Appointment of Scribe** Name: Lee MacLeod AHJ: City of Surrey
- 4.0 **Attendance:** All members are responsible to report their CPD points to the BOABC, through the [web page members section](#).

Darrell Johnson	City of Mission
Lee MacLeod	City of Surrey
Henry Kuipers	District of Kent
Wil Neish	City of Burnaby
Evan Barberis	District of North Vancouver
Paul Weber	City of Vancouver
Joseph Krevs	City of New Westminster
Perry Halabuza	City of Coquitlam
Gary Deans	City of Coquitlam
Jon Milloy	City of Surrey
James Hook	City of Vancouver
Stacy McSherry	District of West Vancouver
Tony Bartko	Building Officials Association of BC
Trevor Welsh	City of Port Moody
Larry Scott	City of Port Moody

Evan Mercer

City of Port Moody

5.0 **Adoption of Minutes:** April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – City of Richmond

**Motion to adopt Minutes Moved by:** Henry Kuipers

**Seconded by:** Paul Weber

**Discussion:** It was noted that James Hook from the City of Vancouver attended the April meeting.

**Carried:** Yes

6.0 **Review of Agenda.**

7.0 **Additional agenda items.**

8.0 **Old Business**

8.1	PE-RT Piping Update	Jon Milloy
On-going update of potential Building Act application.		
8.2	NFPA 20 – Access for Fire Pumps	Darrell Bridge
<p>Follow up for appeal from NFPA regarding access requirements for fire pumps. CFT issued appeal (to either the province or NFPA)</p> <p><a href="#">Appeal Board Decision 1809</a> and an email from Brad Walton (Principal of CFT) was presented. It was consensus of the majority of the attendees that they would follow the <a href="#">Appeal Board Decision</a>.</p>		
8.3	Determination of Fire Resistance Ratings	Jay Klassen
<p>Follow up discussion regarding utilizing Article A-9.10.3.1. Tables versus Appendix D for Fire Resistance Rating. Subsection D-1.1.3., “The ratings shown in this document apply if more specific test values are not available.”. If specific assemblies are either identified in the tables of Article A-9.10.3.1. or listed to CAN/ULC S101, as noted in Subsection D-1.1.5. then the information provided in Appendix D cannot be used for Fire Resistance Ratings.</p> <p>Further discussion is required, examples are to be requested of conflicting assemblies.</p>		

8.4	Combustible Pipe Transitions / Fire Rated Assemblies	Thomas Bradmore
<p>Discussion of the whether plumbing piping that penetrates a rated assembly is permitted to transition between combustible and non-combustible piping. Jurisdiction were to review and research to provide interpretations/comments back.</p> <p>Chairperson to contact Building Safety Standards Branch to ask if code change is going to occur based off of Interpretation Committees suggestions.</p>		

9.0 **New Business:**

9.1	Standpipe Requirements in Exit Stairs	<b>Name:</b> Joseph Krevs
<p>Are Standpipes required in each exit stair?</p> <p>A stand pipe is required in all designated exit corridors as per 3.2.5.10.(1).</p>		
9.2	In an unfinished basement does the spray foam need protection in the box ends?	<b>Name:</b> Darrell Johnson
<p>The spray foam does need protection, either the drywall is to extend to subfloor, or ceiling is to be dry walled.</p>		
9.3	Tiny houses, when do we consider it a dwelling unit	<b>Name:</b> Henry Kuipers
<p>If the structure is still supported by the wheels it is not part of the building code, if it is placed on a foundation or a pad it will need to conform to building code</p>		
9.4	Fire stopping requirements for a curtain wall?	<b>Name:</b> Evan Barberis
<p>There is no listed assembly in the BC building code, at this point a curtain wall will need to be an alternative solution.</p>		
9.5	7 high side story wood framed building on a steep slope / 6 story low side / does the roof top amenity count as another story	<b>Name:</b> Perry Halabuza
<p>-Fire access is required on the 6 story side not 7 story side, depending of your local fire department.</p> <p>-Roof top amenity in this case would require an alternative solution covered or not.</p>		

9.6	Enclosures for access to roof top decks	<b>Name:</b> Tony Bartko
<p>The topic was brought forward as to whether or not jurisdictions are enforcing article 9.10.4.4.(1) that an enclosure would count as an additional storey unless its sole purpose is for service to the building.</p> <p>It was thought at the time of the meeting that this was discussed at a previous LMTC meeting, however no information was located in past minutes. To be tabled for further discussion at the next LMTC meeting.</p>		
9.7	None combustible pink insulation	<b>Name:</b> James Hook
<p>City of Vancouver wanted to confirm if any other jurisdiction have come across pink insulation that has been tested and complies as a non-combustible product.</p> <p>No jurisdictions have had this product, nor have seen technical data to support acceptance criteria of CAN/ULC-S114</p>		
9.8	Updated From BOABC President	<b>Name:</b> Tony Bartko
<p>The President of the BOABC, Mr. Tony Bartko, provided an update on the current status and work being under taken by the BOABC. He also answered questions posed by the attendees at the meeting.</p>		
9.9	Would a Fire Resistance Rating be required for an occupied roof top deck serving a single dwelling unit?	<b>Name:</b> Trevor Welsh
<p>It was the consensus of the majority of the committee that no fire separation or fire resistance rating is required for dwelling units, as per 9.10.9.4.(2), when a roof is supporting an occupancy.</p>		

10.0 **Motion to adjourn meeting moved by:** Perry Halabuza

**Seconded by:** Henry Kuipers

**Adjournment of Meeting Time:** 3:30pm

**Location of next meeting:** City of Abbotsford

**Date of next meeting:** July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**2018 Meeting schedule:**

- July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018..... City of Abbotsford
- August 2018..... No Meeting for Summer Vacations
- September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018..... Township of Langley
- October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018..... City of Surrey
- November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018..... City of Coquitlam
- December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018..... District of West Vancouver