

**MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, AND SWIMMING POOL
BOARD OF APPEALS
MINUTES**

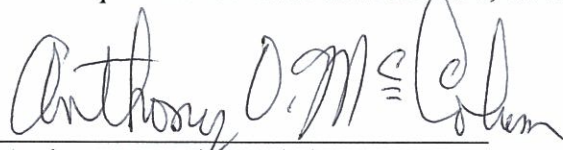
January 11, 2011

Public notice having been posted, a public hearing of the MPE Board was held at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 11, 2011, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 555 Walnut, Abilene, Texas.


MPE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Anthony McColum, Chairman
Terry Williams - Absent
James Wheeler
Jay Wyatt
Rick Kelley
Ronnie Carlson
Robert Lewis - Absent
Kenneth Rich

STAFF PRESENT: Kelley Messer
David Sartor
Van Watson

1. The meeting was called to order by Anthony McColum, Chairman.
2. The next item to come before the Board was the approval of the August 10, 2010 minutes. Mr. Wheeler made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Wyatt seconded the motion and said motion unanimously passed.
3. The next matter to come before the Board was consideration, with possible action, regarding the approval of the local amendments to the 2009 International Plumbing Code, 2009 International Mechanical Code, 2009 International Fuel Gas Code, and the General Mechanical System Requirements of the 2009 International Residential Code. Mr. Sartor addressed the Board and highlighted the most significant changes within the code and local amendments. The significant changes are as listed:
IRC Section M1411.6 - Deletion of section regarding locking caps on refrigerant lines.
IRC Section M1502.4.4.1 - Length of vent driers was extended from 25' to 35'.
IRC Section M1503.4 - Make up air requirement for large kitchen exhaust systems.
IPC Section 419.1 - A new listing for waterless urinals.
IMC Section 504.5 - Make up air requirement for clothes driers
IMC Section 507.2.2 - Kitchen exhaust hood requirements have two new exceptions.
IMC Section 1101.10 - Deletion of section regarding locking caps on refrigerant lines.
IFGC - No significant changes.
Administrative Changes - Contractors with charge accounts that are past due will not be able to obtain permits until their balances are paid.
Mr. Rich made a motion to approve the local amendments as written, Mr. Wyatt seconded and the board passed the motion. There were no board members opposed.
4. Upon motion made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.



Anthony McColum, Chairman



Van Watson, Acting Secretary