



# Safety Codes Council

## MINUTES OF THE FIRST PLUMBING SUB-COUNCIL MEETING OF 2021

**DATE:** February 2, 2021

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

**LOCATION:** Videoconference

**PRESENT:** *Sub-Council Members*

David Hughes  
Mark Harrold, Chair  
Paul Fullam, Vice Chair  
Tim Kosolofski  
Quenton Kusiek  
Roger Lebeuf  
Stephen Laurie  
Al Steenbergen  
Angus Potskin  
Shawn Van Velzen

*Safety Codes Council*

Kathryn Derkach, Jennifer Johnson, Susan Rossmann

*Alberta Municipal Affairs*

Sidney Manning, Joe Petryk, Perry Wager, Tom Knull, Claude Valliere

**REGRETS:** David Dallaire  
Stephen Dussault

**GUESTS:** n/a

**RECORDER:** Jennifer Johnson

**2021 MEETINGS:** June 1, October 19, December 14

## **1. Meeting Opening**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A round table introduction was held and a teleconference tips were shared.

### **1.1 Agenda Adoption**

The following correction was made to the agenda:

- Item 2.1.1 should be Joe Howdle

**Quenton Kusiek/Angus Potskin moved that the agenda be adopted, as amended; CARRIED**

### **1.2 Adoption of the December 1 Minutes**

**Dave Hughes/Paul Fullam moved to adopt the minutes of the December 1 meeting, as circulated; CARRIED**

## **2. Matters for Decision**

### **2.1. Closed Session**

**Angus Potskin/Stephen Laurie moved to go into closed session; CARRIED.**

**Al Steenbergen/Paul Fullam moved to come out of closed session; CARRIED.**

#### **2.1.1. Appointment of Joe Howdle or Chris Gaucher to represent Manufacturers and Suppliers**

**Al Steenbergen/Roger LeBeuf moved to recommend to the Board appointment of Joe Howdle to the Plumbing Sub-Council to represent Manufacturers and Suppliers for a term ending January 31, 2024, effective immediately; CARRIED.**

### **2.2. Skills Matrix**

The skills matrix was reviewed and no further edits were made.

**Stephen Laurie/Al Steenbergen moved to accept the Skills Matrix for the Plumbing Sub-Council as it currently is; CARRIED.**

### **2.3. PSSC Sub-Council Matrix**

The matrix was created by a panel of stakeholders and identifies 11 industry segments to be represented on the Private Sewage Sub-Council.

**Quenton Kusiek/Roger LeBeuf moved to recommend to the Board the acceptance of the Private Sewage Sub-Council Matrix; CARRIED.**

**Paul Fullam/Dave Hughes moved to recommend to the Board the removal of the Private Sewage seat from the Plumbing Sub-Council matrix; CARRIED.**

### 3. Review Matters Arising/Action List

	Item	Action	Date	Responsible	Status/Update
1	Water Quality re. Water Reuse Alternative Solutions	Bring forward further policy documents from Alberta Health Services and Alberta Environment.	Jan 24/17	Manning	<p>The document has been published and is available now. There has been an update on the Municipal Affairs website linking to these guidelines from Alberta Health.</p> <p>Members were asked to assist in getting the document distributed. The Administrator would like to add as an agenda item for next meeting, asking members to read document for discussion at next meeting.</p>
		Research water quality topics (Water Safety Plans, Log Reductions, DALY) and bring findings to next meeting.	May 22/18	All	No update.
2	Requirements for Combination Heating Systems: Dual Purpose Water Heater STANDATA	<p>Investigate a path forward for the expired STANDATA once the revised B214 is issued. (Full discussion in Oct. 2019 minutes, item 4.9)</p> <p>UPDATE: STANDATA still needed as this won't be addressed in NBC until the next</p>	May 2/17	Manning / Harrold	In the process of developing a draft to address interests from PSC and GSC, will have for next meeting.

		edition.			
3	Low Temperature Testing	Report back from NSF relative to NSF/ANSI 40 and NSF/ANSI 350 – if there is no longer a Canadian standard, this should be addressed in NSF standards.	Dec 5/17	Petryk	Ongoing.
4	Removing Sewer and Water Service Restricted Certification	Assist the Administrators to determine jurisdictions that could be included in an Info Bulletin regarding jurisdictional challenges btwn plumbing systems and private sewage systems.	Dec 3/19	Fullam/ Harrold/ Kusiek	Plumbing Administrator willing to participate when the group meets again. Ongoing opportunity with red tape reduction to consider how we're doing this, etc.
5	Temporary Work Camps	Provide final draft guidance document with content to address systems over 25 m <sup>3</sup> for comment from members.	Dec 3/19	Petryk	Has been finalized and will be presented at the AOWMA conference next week and posted to the Municipal Affairs website.
6	Cisterns – Scope of Plumbing Code	Work with AMA on drafting a code change request for the NPC 2025.	Sep 18/18	Dallaire/ Kosolofski/ Harrold	No update.
		Provide CAN/CSA-B126 SERIES-13 (R2018) –	Dec 3/19	Petryk	Private Sewage Administrator will check with CSA to confirm if it can be made available to the members working on the code

		Water cisterns to the group developing a code change request on cisterns.			change request. Plumbing Administrator can assist.
7	Permit Regulation Review	Private Sewage Administrator would like to revisit the use of the word equipment.	May 5/20	Petryk	Ongoing.

#### 4. Matters for Discussion

##### 4.1. IAPMO Call for Participation

The Plumbing Administrator advised that IAPMO is growing as an organization and are now looking to develop standards for the Canadian market. They are currently looking for members from different segments to participate on a committee for Alternate Water Source Systems for Multi Family Residential and Commercial Use. Al Steenbergen volunteered, will look at the information on the member portal and reach out to IAPMO. Shawn Van Velzen may interested as well, depending on work commitments.

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##### 4.2. Reference Standards

###### 4.2.1. NSF

The following was discussed:

- Nothing to report

###### 4.2.2. ULC

The following was discussed:

- Canadian Advisory panel meeting is planned for April, the Plumbing Administrator is attending along with Municipal Affairs representatives from the fire and electrical disciplines, will try to identify standards of interest and report back

###### 4.2.3. CSA

The following was discussed:

- CSA is trying to manage some of the challenges from COVID, expecting to see cancellation of in-person events, will continue to monitor and bring back any information

##### 4.3. Working Group Reports

###### 4.3.1. NPC 2020

The following was discussed:

- The working group has reviewed the latest 3CD provided by Municipal Affairs and has no changes to recommend at this time
- A final copy of the code will not be available until end of 2021 so Municipal Affairs will confirm if there are any further changes and the sub-council can make a recommendation at that time

#### 4.3.2. PSDS

A written report was included in the portal and the following was discussed:

- Matrix for the Private Sewage sub-council has been completed
- Work continues to move forward on the SOP

#### 4.4. AMOS Report

Nothing to report

#### 4.5. Administrator/AMA Report

The Plumbing Administrator reported:

- Water reuse policy developed with Alberta Health
  - Reuse notice, Website review,
    - <https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/fb416ece-3341-431b-909e-f4875bd5a34b/resource/12161b11-2350-4728-be60-2a6276caa5d1/download/ma-notice-alternative-solutions-guide-small-system-water-reuse-stormwater-use-2021-01.pdf>
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  - Next steps:
    - STANDATA to reflect new policy and joint Environment/Health/AMA
    - AE&P/Health policies
- NPC 2020/2025 ongoing development by NRC's HVAC and Plumbing standing committee.
  - Proposed publication of NPC 2020 December 2021
  - Public vs private working group
  - Blackwater/greywater working group
  - Condensate drainage working group
- Stainless steel gasketed DWV variance application
  - Found that a certificate listing used for a project was in violation, working with contractors and manufacturers in southern Alberta on a variance
  - Members may want to check with their nominating organizations to see if anyone has had this stainless steel gasketed DWV as it may have created some challenges.
- Furnace/water tank combo unit - Gradient thermal Inc.
- CRCP/CACP report is in the portal for members to review, can forward it on to anyone who may be interested

The Private Sewage Administrator reported:

- Very focussed on the SOP, work continues to move forward
- Alberta Onsite Wastewater Management Association conference is happening online next week, lots of information on the AOWMA website if anyone is interested in attending

#### **4.6. Council Updates**

A written report was included in the portal and updates were provided on:

- Council remains closed to the public, with all staff working from home
- Online meetings for the foreseeable future, please reach out if you have any issues with Telus Business Connect and we can assist
- Please forward any info you would like shared on our social media
- The Safety Codes Council will offer the following training online this spring:
  - New Member Orientation coming up on March 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - Effective Meetings April 13 and 14<sup>th</sup>
  - Appeals Training April 27 and 28<sup>th</sup>

### **5. Meeting Finalization**

#### **5.1. Round Table**

- Thank you to Mark Harrold for a great job chairing his first meeting

#### **5.2. Next Meeting**

The next meeting was reconfirmed for June 1, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

#### **5.3. Meeting Adjournment**

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– NEW ACTION ITEMS –

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– WORKING GROUP MEMBER LISTS –

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PSDS	<b><u>Angus Potskin</u></b> Kenneth Wigmore, David Hughes, Rick Tipple, Lesley Desjardins, David Dallaire, Richard Stellmaker, Daniel Morris, Barry Bohn, Brent Bowerman; Mike Schmalz Municipal Affairs: David Dobson, Joe Petryk, Stephen Hirose;
NPC 2020	<b><u>Quenton Kusiek</u></b> Tim Kosolofski; Mark Harrold; Al Steenbergen, Shawn van Velzen, Paul Fullam