

Kansas Elevator Safety Advisory Board

Meeting minutes
October 02,2023

Call to order:

Doug Jorgenson-called meeting to order at 1:05pm

Present:

In person: Doug Jorgensen, Cole Haston, Brent Snyder, Paul Parks, Representative Sean Tarwater, Senator Mike Petersen, Jarrod Mann, Julie Garcia

Absent:

Mark Wendland

New business

- Doug Jorgensen opened meeting with introductions. All who was present introduced themselves and what title they were carrying. Doug Jorgensen stated was retiring soon.
- Doug Jorgensen was voted to be chair. Doug Jorgensen stated they would be discussing the board's responsibilities and how the elevator safety unit was started. The board discussed how many meetings they have to have in year.
- Board members Doug Jorgensen and Cole Haston discussed the new ASME code for elevators. It was further discussed how long manufacturers, installers and companies have to comply and how to apply for a variance. Doug Jorgensen stated variances will be awarded on a case-by-case basis.
- It was discussed the prices of the licenses of contractors, mechanics, inspectors and permits, \$500, \$150, \$250 annually and \$400. Doug Jorgensen stated the legislature gave us the responsibility and no funds to start the program. It was stated all local jurisdictions gave their programs to our office except the City of Wichita.
- It was discussed about the two-way communication in elevators and how to complete the modernization of the safety feature. It was discussed the board members bring suggestions what code and rules and regulations to the next meeting or email our office by Doug Jorgensen.
- It was discussed the elevator industry stated there are 10,000 units or more in the state of Kansas, but our office has been only notified about 3,000 or 4,000 units.
- It was discussed on how we will follow up with violations and how many staff members we have addressing the violations and the administrative process.
- The meeting was open to the public comments, and two online contacts spoke about code and recommendation about following the code after a certain date.

Adjournment- Called by Doug Jorgensen at 3:04pm

Minutes submitted by Jessica Dunderdale

Minutes approved by