



CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS  
FIRE BOARD OF APPEALS  
MEETING **MINUTES**  
August 11, 2023 – 8:30 A.M.

**Present Fire Board of Appeals Board Members (5):**

Ron Honn, Vice Chair  
Vince Colarelli  
Mike Riggs  
Jannic Ekornes  
Laurie Olsen

**Industry Represented:**

Citizen At-Large  
Building  
Architecture  
Fire Suppression  
Insurance

**Not Present (1):**

David Hewett, Chair

**Industry Represented:**

Small Business

**Vacant Position (1):**

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**Industry Represented:**

Large Business

**Present Fire Board of Appeals Secretary**

Brett T. Lacy, Fire Marshal

**Representing:**

Colorado Springs Fire Department

**Additional Attendee(s):**

Connie Manning, Compliance Coordinator  
Mellisa Wutzke, Administrative Assistant Senior  
Sarah DaCosta, Administrative Assistant, II

**Representing:**

Colorado Springs Fire Department  
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**CALL TO ORDER**

1. Vice Chair Honn called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. and promptly conducted a roll call.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Board Member Colarelli motioned to approve the meeting minutes.  
Board Member Ekornes seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.

2. Contractor Licensing

- A. Fire Alarm Contractor A

- i. Business Name: **Jacobs Advanced Technologies, LLC**  
DBA Fast Fire  
Applicant: Jeremy Jacobs  
RME: Jeremy Jacobs

Fire Marshal Lacey stated applicant meets the requirements and recommended approval.

**Board Member Colarelli motioned to approve the application.  
Board Member Olson seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.**

- ii. **Business Name:** Rapid Fire Protection, Inc.  
**Applicant:** Trevor Lisby  
**RME:** Trevor Lisby

Fire Marshal Lacey stated applicant meets the requirements and recommended approval.

**Board Member Ekornes motioned to approve the application.  
Board Member Colarelli seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.**

**B. Fire Alarm Contractor B**

- i. **Business Name:** First Call Electric & Fire, Inc.  
**Applicant:** John Rode  
**RME:** John Rode

Fire Marshal Lacey stated applicant meets the requirements and recommended approval.

**Board Member Colarelli motioned to approve the application.  
Board Member Riggs seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.**

**BUSINESS**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. New Contractor License Types**

Presenter: Mellisa Wutzke, Administrative Assistant Senior, Colorado Springs Fire Department

Mellisa Wutzke introduced herself and presented new license types. The new licenses will not directly affect the Fire Board of Appeals. The new fire code was adopted on June 30, 2023 and new license types have been created. The Fire Alarm Inspector license (FA-I) requires CSA (Compliance Services and Assessments, LLC) FA2 (fire alarm assessment), or NICET II (National Institute for Certification in Engineering) and inspecting and testing of fire alarm systems. This license type is for those that will only be doing inspections and not installing. The Fire Suppression Inspector license requires NICET II in inspection and testing of water-based systems, or CSA's ASCR2 (Sprinkler Commercial Residential On-Site Competent Person), or the STAR exam or the State of Colorado Fitters exam. A higher level NICET is also allowed. This license type will enable inspections only. A Fire Suppression installer will allow the STAR exam or the State of Colorado Fitters exam. Currently, a NICET is not being accepted for this license type. This decision was in collaboration with PPRBD license requirements.

Vice Chair Honn thanked her for sharing the information.

**ADJOURN**

**Board Member Colarelli motioned to adjourn.  
Board Member Olson seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:36 A.M.**

Respectfully submitted by,



Brett T. Lacey  
Fire Marshal and Secretary to Fire Board of Appeals

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