

1 ELEVATOR SAFETY REVIEW BOARD MEETING

2 SEPTEMBER 5, 2013

3 8:30 A.M.

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6 RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS had in the meeting

7 of the above-entitled cause, taken before

8 Debra L. Kleszyk, a Certified Shorthand Reporter

9 (CSR No. 084-002981) within and for the County

10 of Cook and State of Illinois, commencing at

11 8:28 a.m. on September 5, 2013, at 9511 West

12 Harrison Street, Des Plaines, Illinois.

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3 ELEVATOR SAFETY REVIEW BOARD:

- 4 MR. DAN BAUMANN, Chairman, labor representative
for outside of Cook County
5 MR. ROBERT CAPUANI, Director, Elevator Service
Division
6 MR. JOHN FINCHAM, representing municipalities with
populations between 25,000 and 50,000
7 MR. K. DOUGLAS JONES, representing municipalities
with populations between 50,000 and 500,000
8 MR. GERALD WOLIN, representing the advocacy group
for senior citizens
9 MR. THOMAS GANIERE, representing the fire service
community
10 MR. ED CHRISTENSEN, labor representative for Cook
County
11 MR. AARON ADAMS, representing the fire service
community
12 MR. DAVID DATTILO, representing the general public
MR. THOMAS JIRIK, representing the elevator
13 service committee
MR. DICK GREGORY, consultant to the Elevator
14 Safety Review Board
MR. KELLY WELLER, representing the fire service
15 community

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17 OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL STAFF - ELEVATOR
SAFETY:

- 18 MS. ANGELA STINSON-MARTI, General Counsel
19 MS. CELENA JEFFRIES, Licensing

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1 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Pledge of

2 Allegiance.

3 (Whereupon, the Pledge of

4 Allegiance was recited.)

5 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Has everybody read

6 the minutes from the last meeting? Motions to

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7 accept? Any changes? Motions to accept?

8 MR. FINCHAM: So moved.

9 MR. DATTILO: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Seconded. Moved
11 and seconded. Any questions? All those in favor?

12 (Whereupon, there was a chorus
13 of "ayes.")

14 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: All those against?

15 (Whereupon, there was no
16 audible response.)

17 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: "Ayes" have it.

18 Old business. We have a report
19 from Bob Capuani.

20 Robert?

21 MR. CAPUANI: Total number of
22 conveyances, we're up to 33,679. For this period
23 from 1/1/2013 to 8/28/2013, we've issued 291
24 permits, 1,153 licenses, 435 registrations, and

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1 8,063 certificates.

2 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Okay. That's it?

3 MR. CAPUANI: That's it.

4 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Going on the old
5 business, update for -- discuss the elevator
6 update agreement and inspection forms.

7 Angela?

8 MS. STINSON-MARTI: So there was a
9 question about the use of the -- some inspection
10 forms that were kind of like I guess what they're

11 calling a short form. And the question was
12 whether or not the local municipalities who have
13 signed these local municipality agreements could
14 use these short forms.

15 And it has been determined by the
16 legal team that there is a paragraph in the
17 municipality agreement that would allow it. The
18 paragraph states that the local municipality has
19 the jurisdiction to mandate the fees and
20 procedures with respect to a certain number of
21 things, including inspections. And it's been
22 determined that procedures would include forms.
23 There's nothing in the language in the agreement
24 that would counter that. Or nothing describes

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1 what procedures are. So those procedures forms
2 would fall under procedures. And so the local
3 authorities that are using these forms can do so
4 under the agreement.

5 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Okay.

6 MS. STINSON-MARTI: Unless there's any
7 questions?

8 MS. VAUGHN: Yeah. I didn't know, I
9 signed up to talk about this topic, so I --

10 THE COURT REPORTER: I can't identify
11 you. I need your name.

12 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: She needs your
13 name. Name? And spell your last name, please.

14 MS. VAUGHN: Margaret Vaughn,

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I didn't know if everyone was aware that the Board did, at the February 14, 2008, meeting, vote that there was a mandatory form that they wanted to use. And there is 125 points on it.

Part of the Board to come up with this form was -- prior to that, Thompson Elevator was using an older form, and they had gotten a letter from the State saying that they all have to

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be using the same form. So then a committee was formed to determine what the best items would be to put on this inspection form. So the committee got together, and the committee was directed by the Board to do so. And 125 points were determined that they should be checked in each elevator inspection. After that, the Board voted to approve this form, that this should be the form to be used by the State of Illinois on all elevator inspections. On February 20, 2008, a memo was sent out to everyone, to all the elevator companies, letting them know that that was the case.

It was found out recently then that this other form is being used that has only 34 points on it. The inspection form that was also developed at the time for escalators has 34 check points on it, the Official State Fire

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19 Marshal form. And the form that's also -- the
20 alternate form that's being used only has one. So
21 you can see that there would be a big difference
22 in the thoroughness of the inspections.

23 I think what the issue is now is
24 whether the locals can use their own forms or not.

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1 And the -- it was our interpretation that
2 procedures really didn't mean the mechanics of the
3 inspection. Actual inspection procedures from a
4 Code perspective would mean more how often they go
5 out and do the inspection, if they -- how often
6 they cite someone before they actually fine them,
7 who gets a yellow copy of what, who gets, you
8 know, a copy of what where. But the mechanics of
9 the inspection would be left to the form.

10 And the statute does say that the
11 Board may prescribe forms to be issued in
12 connection with the administration and enforcement
13 of this Act. So the statute does give you the
14 authority to prescribe the forms.

15 And, I'm not sure, do you know
16 what the accident forms, would that be a standard
17 form that's been used? Is there one form
18 that's --

19 MR. CAPUANI: We have -- we have one
20 form on our website.

21 MS. VAUGHN: So I don't know what the
22 solution is. I think it was the Board's feeling

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that there should be one form.

24 Now, if we have to clean that up

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1 in the law, I mean maybe now you could maybe -- we
2 can do like a memo or something to say, you know,
3 this was the recommended form, and then maybe we
4 can go back to the legislature and put in the
5 statute that procedures shall not include
6 inspections, or clean up that definition.

7 I know I don't want to make you do
8 another mailing. So I do have like a group e-mail
9 blast with about four municipalities on it that
10 would include basically everyone with a local
11 program.

12 So I think it would be just a
13 matter of reminding them that this is, you know --
14 and maybe just say recommended, this was
15 recommended by the Board. And then maybe when the
16 legislature reconvenes we can try to, you know,
17 clean that up. So it might not be a perfect
18 solution, but at least we're moving in the right
19 direction.

20 MR. CAPUANI: Right. And we're going
21 to have to clean up our municipality list also.

22 MS. STINSON-MARTI: Right. There's
23 nothing wrong with sending out a blast e-mail
24 saying that our form, the long form, the one

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1 that's on our site is the recommended form. But
2 if people buck against that, they have the
3 language of this agreement that they signed to
4 fall back on. And, like you just pointed out,
5 there's nowhere that defines procedures in the
6 municipality agreement in the Act.

7 We took this language that you
8 handed out into account. We looked at the entire
9 statute. We looked at all the rules. We wrote a
10 nice little memo on it and thought about and
11 considered all of these things, and still came out
12 with the language in the agreement which is
13 specific. And it says that the procedures take --
14 the procedures of the local authority take
15 precedent over the procedures adopted by OSFM and
16 the Board. So that's very specific language, and
17 I think it's strong language, for the local
18 authorities who are using these short forms.

19 I know that it seems to be the
20 intent of the Board that they wanted the one form,
21 and they made that very clear, but they didn't
22 change the agreement. So that's what the issue
23 is.

24 MS. VAUGHN: There is a precedent,

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1 though. When -- like I said, when a shorter
2 version of the form was being used, the Fire
3 Marshal's Office did cite them for it and they did

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4 have to comply.

5 MS. STINSON-MARTI: I am aware --

6 MS. VAUGHN: So there is a precedent
7 there.

8 MS. STINSON-MARTI: I read that Board
9 decision. And I think I talked to you about this.
10 And I disagreed with the decision of the general
11 counsel that they made at that time. The language
12 here was the same then and is the same and means
13 the same. They should have changed the language.
14 I mean we'll have to fix this.

15 MS. VAUGHN: So I think if we're all
16 in agreement with what the -- how do we get there,
17 I guess.

18 MS. STINSON-MARTI: Yeah.

19 MR. CAPUANI: Right. Right.

20 MS. STINSON-MARTI: But we can --

21 MR. CAPUANI: It will get there.

22 MS. STINSON-MARTI: If you want to
23 send an e-mail blast that says this is the
24 recommended --

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1 MR. CAPUANI: Yeah.

2 MS. STINSON-MARTI: -- we can do that.

3 (Whereupon, Mr. Kelly Weller
4 entered the meeting room.)

5 MS. YOUNG: Patty Young.

6 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Patty, go ahead.

7 MS. YOUNG: Thanks, Dan.

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12 MS. YOUNG: -- should be removed from
13 the record.

14 MS. STINSON-MARTI: -- he made a
15 decision that I read. And it's the same language.
16 Three, four other attorneys have looked at this
17 language in coming up with this memo, and we
18 agreed that the language says what it says. I
19 know it said what it said when you got that cited.
20 And I disagree. There's nothing I can -- you
21 know, Bob can talk about whether or not -- you
22 know, what to do with this.

23 MS. YOUNG: So what was the Board --

24 MR. CAPUANI: The decision was just

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1 made right now.

2 MS. STINSON-MARTI: So there was no
3 change.

4 MR. CAPUANI: No one ever challenged
5 this.

6 MS. STINSON-MARTI: There's no change.
7 I think everyone was -- my understanding of the
8 history is that, once the Board made the decision,
9 they mandated what form to use, I think people
10 were using that form until just recently some
11 local authority decided they weren't.

12 MS. YOUNG: Well, I have evidence of,
13 you know, different forms being used, even in open
14 territory, that is not the State recommended form.

15 MR. CAPUANI: We will not accept any

16 form but ours in open territory.

17 MS. YOUNG: And that's fine. You may
18 not be accepting it.

19 But my point being is that there's
20 a zillion different forms that are being used.
21 And I believe the intent of the Board and the
22 Act's intention was that everybody should be using
23 the same form so there was consistency throughout
24 the state. And if we go back in the meeting

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1 minutes, and I've got them all here -- I know,
2 Kelly, you just arrived, and you've been here
3 since the beginning -- and we've had the committee
4 created for the purpose of the inspection form
5 because it was a very cumbersome inspection form
6 and we got it down to one page and we fine-tuned
7 it from there. That form has been a successful
8 form.

9 So to change it from this to going
10 from 125 points to deciding what you want to use,
11 who ends up being the person or the -- you know,
12 is it the Office of the State Fire Marshal who has
13 to review any form that the local program now
14 chooses? Is there an approval process? An
15 approval or denial process?

16 MR. CAPUANI: No.

17 MS. YOUNG: So I could have one item
18 on my local program for a village that says
19 elevator is good, and you have no problem with

20 that as a State Fire Marshal?

21 MR. CAPUANI: I would have a problem.
22 But your agreement states that you can run your
23 own program, your own procedures. That's where
24 the problem is.

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1 I don't agree with it. And I'm
2 not arguing with you. I agree with you a hundred
3 percent. I want the old form that we, as a
4 committee, put together. But, unfortunately, the
5 agreement that's signed states that you can run
6 your own procedures, have your own procedures.

7 MS. YOUNG: And that's the same -- the
8 same paragraph --

9 MR. CAPUANI: We understand.

10 MS. YOUNG: -- that was back in '08
11 and '09 with all the local programs. It's the
12 same one that was --

13 MR. CAPUANI: Understood. I'm not
14 arguing with you. There's just really nothing we
15 can do about it right now.

16 MS. STINSON-MARTI: They should have
17 changed it. I mean I can't sit here and -- you
18 know, I'm not going to talk bad about the last
19 general -- whoever that general counsel was. I
20 don't know him. I just think that he was
21 presented -- the way I read the minutes, and this
22 isn't -- I don't know him at all, but the way I
23 read the minutes, he was at the meeting, he was

24 presented with this, and then on that -- you know,

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1 just on the cuff he made a decision.

2 I mean even when I was originally
3 presented with it, I said, "Oh, yeah, they have to
4 use our form." And then I went back and I
5 reviewed it and I researched it and I said, "Well,
6 okay. Well, wait a minute. We've got an issue
7 with this language."

8 And it doesn't look like that
9 happened. It looked like he was presented with
10 the language at the meeting, he made a decision on
11 the cuff, and then it was ran with. And he didn't
12 actually -- it doesn't appear to me, and I don't
13 know for sure, but it doesn't appear that he
14 actually went back and looked at it.

15 I mean we looked at this. We have
16 a memo that we've written out. We've looked at
17 all the statutes -- we looked at the statute, we
18 looked at the Act, we looked at the agreement, we
19 looked at -- we looked at the Board decision
20 before we wrote the memo.

21 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Angela --

22 MS. STINSON-MARTI: We looked at all
23 of it.

24 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Thank you. I want

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1 to bring this back to -- back to the agenda. This
2 should be brought up under public comment. And
3 this is pretty much the board meeting that we're
4 discussing here first.

5 Is there anything other --
6 anything more on the inspection forms that we have
7 to discuss with the Board?

8 MS. STINSON-MARTI: No.

9 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: And you'll have
10 your opportunity to speak during public opinion --
11 public comment.

12 MS. YOUNG: Okay.

13 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: We have nothing
14 under new business? No.

15 I guess it would be public comment
16 then. I just wanted to -- we were talking
17 about -- very well.

18 MR. JONES: Is it open to public
19 questions at this point in time?

20 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: I'm going to be
21 mentioning names.

22 MR. GREGORY: Could I make a comment?
23 Hey, boss?

24 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Tom Gray?

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1 MR. GRAY: Can I reserve and decline
2 at this time for a later opportunity?

3 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: You can do that.

4 MR. GREGORY: Yo. Can I make a
5 comment?

6 Just so the Board knows, the 2013
7 version of ASME A17.1 will be published probably
8 towards the end of December [sic.] or the first
9 part of November [sic.]. So we've got a new Code
10 coming in the works. The biggest changes will be
11 more stringent maintenance requirements. That's
12 it.

13 MR. CAPUANI: All right. And, at that
14 time, that's when we'll change the municipality
15 agreements to update the Codes and we'll change
16 the language.

17 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Tom?

18 MR. GANIERE: Do the municipality
19 agreements get signed every year or no?

20 MS. STINSON-MARTI: No. There's a
21 four-year agreement.

22 MR. GANIERE: A four-year agreement.
23 Okay.

24 MS. STINSON-MARTI: Right. And they

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1 were just done in 2012.

2 MR. GANIERE: But they're all up at
3 the same time?

4 MS. STINSON-MARTI: Yes, I think so.

5 MR. CAPUANI: Yes.

6 MR. JONES: So, Bob, will we have to
7 have a new agreement? Will the municipalities all

8 have to have a new agreement or submit the old
9 one?

10 MR. CAPUANI: Would we have to send
11 out a whole new agreement or just amend the --

12 MS. STINSON-MARTI: I'm not sure. I
13 don't know if we can just amend it. We might be
14 able to send the addendum, but, you know, I think
15 we might have to amend this language. I'm not
16 sure yet.

17 MS. YOUNG: Angie -- Patty Young.

18 In the past, you had just sent out
19 a letter amending it to show that it went from
20 this Code to that Code because it's still the same
21 book, it's just a new Code edition.

22 MR. CAPUANI: Right. The problem is
23 we wanted to change the language in Section 7.

24 MS. VAUGHN: Well, we can define it in

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1 the law as far as what procedures mean, and you
2 wouldn't have to change the local agreements.

3 MS. YOUNG: Right.

4 MS. STINSON-MARTI: But it might not
5 change the agreement that has already been -- this
6 is going to require a little bit. I don't want to
7 make any decisions when I don't know exactly.

8 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Terry Lewis?

9 MR. LEWIS: I believe all the issues
10 have been addressed at this point.

11 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Margaret Vaughn?

12 MS. VAUGHN: (Nodding)
13 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: That's a "no,"
14 right?
15 MS. VAUGHN: I'll have my people get
16 back to you.
17 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: She can't hear when
18 you're shaking your head.
19 Patty Young?
20 MS. YOUNG: Not at this time. But, if
21 something comes up, I'd like to be able to go back
22 to a comment.
23 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Very good.
24 John Kennedy?

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1 MR. KENNEDY: Good morning, everyone.
2 I don't think I have anything at this time. I'm
3 here with the executive director of the National
4 Association of Elevator Contractors. We are not
5 on your agenda. And, if we're not part of the
6 agenda, then we won't have anything to add. I
7 just wanted to introduce the executive director.
8 Some of you may know her. We're obviously very
9 invested in the decision that's pending before the
10 Fire Marshal, and I just wanted to introduce you
11 and say good morning.
12 MR. GREGORY: You didn't tell her
13 Teresa's name. You introduced her --
14 MR. KENNEDY: I'm sorry. Teresa Wi tham,
15 executive director.

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Thank you, Mr. Gregory.

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CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Teresa Witham?

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MS. WITHAM: And I don't have anything

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to say at this time. But it is good to be here.

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Thank you.

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CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Good to see you

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MS. WITHAM: Thanks.

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CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: John Wangles?

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MR. WANGLES: Good morning, Ladies and

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gentlemen. John Wangles, Skokie Fire Department

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Fire Inspector.

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I apologize. We were just made

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aware of your quarterly board meeting. We were

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hoping to submit requests for your agenda.

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The Skokie Fire Department has

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been experiencing numerous false alarm calls for

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emergency call button responses within our

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jurisdiction. Our ordinance requires that the

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call buttons be directed to our 911 center. From

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January of this year to yesterday, we responded to

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over 200 false activations.

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jurisdiction is, on the activation, our operators

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would call the elevator car and there would be no

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response. We would have an emergent response with

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an engine or a truck company to that address.

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Upon arriving on the scene, there would be nobody

20 in the car and we'd have no way of knowing what
21 the initial activation was from. Was it a child
22 playing with the buttons? Was it a resident
23 unfamiliar with the buttons and accidentally
24 pressed the wrong button? Was it somebody

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1 carrying groceries and happened to lean up to the
2 panel activating the call button requesting our
3 response?

4 We have approximately six to ten
5 problematic buildings that most of these
6 activations have been coming from. And it's a
7 variety: It's residential, it's mercantile, it's
8 home fitness -- or not home fitness, a fitness
9 facility, and so forth.

10 What we are here is asking for
11 direction from the Board, if possible, to look
12 into a guard or -- some form of guard or cover
13 that we could put on the select few of addresses
14 to see if that would reduce the call volumes at
15 those particular properties. I have researched
16 both through the Illinois ADA as well as the
17 federal ADA to see if there are any restrictions
18 on the covers as far as twisting, turning,
19 pushing, and so forth. Based on the information
20 that I have found in the books, this meets the
21 requirements, depending on which two or three that
22 you would allow us to possibly use, and see if
23 that would work in our particular application.

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1 all of our buildings. We're not asking to change
2 the codes for the entire state. We're just trying
3 to lessen the call volume that we're experiencing
4 within our community. We run about 10,000 calls a
5 year, and we're at 200 calls already just on this
6 particular activation. And we're looking to see
7 if we could do something to help us out.

8 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Go right ahead,
9 Dick.

10 MR. GREGORY: I have just researched
11 the Elevator Code for the State of Illinois, which
12 is the ASME A17.1-2010, and there's nothing there
13 that prohibits you from doing this. And I would
14 tell you that the only place in the country that I
15 know of, can remember, where you couldn't do this
16 is the state of California.

17 MR. WANGLES: Okay.

18 MR. WELLER: Chief, just a quick
19 question. So is it going to be your intention
20 that the fire service -- or the Skokie Fire
21 Department is going to do this or are you going to
22 request that the building owners do this? How is
23 this going to get done?

24 MR. WANGLES: We're -- looking at some

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1 of the devices that I was able to pull up on the
2 internet, they're very inexpensive. A lot of them
3 could be attached to the panel by simply double-
4 faced tape over the button with some marking on
5 the button "for emergency use only."

6 In those respects, the fire
7 department would be possibly looking in doing that
8 at the problematic buildings. But we could also
9 possibly talk to the business owner, property
10 owner, to see if they would work with us in doing
11 that as well.

12 The costs are very inexpensive.
13 For the time and wear and tear on our vehicles
14 going to these calls and taking a vehicle out of
15 service for almost a half hour, this would pay for
16 itself in one or two runs.

17 MR. WELLER: The only question I have
18 is just on a procedural issue. I mean let's say
19 we gave you, you know, a clear vote that said
20 yeah -- and I'm just making conversation --
21 there's no issue with it, would you then take it
22 back to your council, your city council, and say
23 we're going to do this as a --

24 MR. WANGLES: Well, right now this is

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1 just an internal issue with the fire department.
2 If this is something that the Board would direct
3 us to bring up to our city council, you know, we
4 would --

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5 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Our counsel -- our
6 consultant had just said that it's not against the
7 Code. So there is no vote. We don't have to take
8 a vote. You don't need a variance.

9 But as someone that's worked on
10 elevators for over 30 -- well, almost 30 years
11 now, double-faced tape is --

12 MR. GREGORY: Doesn't work.

13 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: -- it's not going
14 to happen. I'm telling you it's going to last
15 'til -- it's not going to last a day.

16 MR. WANGLES: You're probably right.
17 You're probably right. I mean we have not
18 physically brought -- purchased any of these to
19 see how they would be mounted. And we haven't
20 done it -- we haven't gone out to all the
21 buildings to find out is this a notice elevator,
22 is this a different type of elevator. So we don't
23 know which would fit on what and then how to
24 properly attach it without creating any electrical

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1 issues or anything onto the panel itself.

2 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Is that a village
3 ordinance that they call the fire department --

4 MR. WANGLES: Yes.

5 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: -- from the --

6 MR. WANGLES: We have an ordinance
7 requiring it to be connected to us.

8 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Dick?

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9 MR. GREGORY: I just think of -- in
10 Evanston, if you get more than two or three false
11 alarms, you then get charged. So if this is a
12 false alarm, you're going to charge them, the
13 building owner, and say, "You know what? We would
14 allow you to put this device on, hire your
15 elevator company to install it," so there is no
16 electrical problem drilling of holes.

17 MR. WANGLES: Oh, absolutely. We
18 wouldn't be doing that ourselves.

19 MR. GREGORY: No. No. No. And the
20 building company can hire their elevator
21 contractor because they have to have an elevator
22 contractor because they have to have maintenance
23 according to state law. So they hire their
24 elevator contractor to install a device that's

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1 acceptable, and that's it. And then say, "If you
2 don't do this and we get two and then with the
3 third false call we're going to send you a bill
4 for 200 bucks or something."

5 MR. WANGLES: Presently --

6 MR. GREGORY: It straightens them out
7 quick.

8 MR. WANGLES: Presently we only bill
9 for false fire alarm activations. We would have
10 to change our ordinance to incorporate this in it.

11 But part of the problem that runs
12 into these type of calls -- or with the fire alarm

13 activation, the occupant is going to know
14 immediately and will be trying to determine the
15 cause of activation, walk in the building. For a
16 property owner or management company, they don't
17 know that the button has been depressed until the
18 fire department shows up with an engine, and, by
19 then, the occupant in the car is long gone.

20 We have already run into
21 situations where we have been billing property
22 owners for false fire alarm calls that they have
23 absolutely no control over because they have
24 tenants with subcontractors that are doing work

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1 inside the building for new construction or
2 remodeling and have caused multiple false
3 activations. And we have to bill the property
4 owner, and then the property owner has to legally
5 go after the tenant and subcontractors to
6 compensate them for those charges. And we try to
7 do that within reason as well.

8 What we're trying to do here is
9 we're trying to mitigate a problem before it gets
10 severely out of hand. We've done everything we
11 can through the Fire Prevention Bureau as far as
12 speaking with the building owners, putting signage
13 up in the elevator cars and at the elevator
14 entrances, advising the occupants of the
15 importance of the button. But the problem that we
16 run into is we are a very diverse community. We

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17 have 97 different ethnic groups in our community:
18 Russian; Korean; I mean you name it, we have it.
19 And to try to put signage in all these different,
20 you know, ethnic backgrounds, it's difficult for
21 us.

22 MR. GREGORY: Well, back to there's
23 nothing in the Elevator Code that says you can't
24 do this.

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1 MR. WANGLES: Okay.

2 MR. GREGORY: And according to the
3 Elevator Code -- and I'm the vice chairman of the
4 committee that writes this Code for the U.S. and
5 Canada -- if it's not prohibited, you can do it.

6 MR. WANGLES: Outstanding.

7 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: The Board is not
8 going to make any vote on it.

9 MR. WANGLES: Understandable. Will it
10 be noted in the minutes?

11 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: (Indicating towards
12 the court reporter)

13 MR. WANGLES: That's close enough for
14 us. Thank you very much.

15 MR. CAPUANI: Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Thank you.

17 There's no variances or appeals.

18 But, before we adjourn, I would
19 like to thank Jerry for his time on the Board.

20 MR. WOLIN: It's been a pleasure.

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21 Thank you.

22 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: And I'd like to
23 give you this award.

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1 (Whereupon, there was a round
2 of applause.)

3 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: This is an award to
4 Gerald Wolin from the State Fire Marshal's Office.

5 MR. GREGORY: I should have brought a
6 camera.

7 MR. WANGLES: Wait. Wait. I always
8 come prepared.

9 MR. WOLIN: Thank you very much.

10 MR. WANGLES: Stand there. Stand
11 there. Face the camera. Outstanding. Just give
12 me a business card, and I'll send it to you.

13 MR. WOLIN: I should have worn my high
14 heels.

15 MR. GREGORY: Give him a business
16 card. He'll send it to you.

17 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Can I have a motion
18 to adjourn?

19 MR. GANIERE: So moved.

20 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Second?

21 MR. FINCHAM: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: Moved, seconded.

23 All those in favor?

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1 (Whereupon, there was a chorus
2 of "ayes.")

3 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: All those opposed?

4 (Whereupon, there was no
5 audible response.)

6 CHAIRMAN BAUMANN: "Ayes" have it.

7 Thank you.

8 (Whereupon, the meeting was
9 adjourned at 8:57 a.m.)

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