

**UTAH STATE FIRE PREVENTION BOARD**  
**VIRTUAL MEETING**  
**July 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes**  
**APPROVED**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

David Olsen, Board Chair  
Michael Phillips, Vice Chair  
Chris Dawson  
Joseph Decker  
Craig Humphreys

Chris Kimball  
Jared Larson (joined @ 8:42 am)  
Derek Maxfield  
Frank Park

**BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Brett Ostler      Patrick Tomasino

**STAFF PRESENT**

Ted Black, State Fire Marshal  
Jon Ritchie, Chief Deputy Fire Marshal  
Marcus Yockey, Assistant Attorney General  
Jana DeMille, Board Secretary  
Jim Barnett  
Don Christensen  
Shane Cook  
Cory Feese  
Chris Hendrickson

Shane Maughan  
Andrew McCormick  
Lane Oberg  
Rohn Peterson  
Russ Sneddon  
Sheri Stevens  
Reed Thompson  
Mike Young

**OTHERS**

Public and fire service members attended this meeting. The attendance log is kept with the full record of the meeting.

**Item #1,** Board meeting called to order by Board Chair David Olsen. The meeting started at 8:30 A.M., over Google Meet, and at the State Fire Marshal's Office. Board Member Roll Call – quorum present.

**Item #2,** Approval of the May 9 board meeting minutes. Motion made by Frank Park to approve the minutes; seconded by Mike Phillips. Motion passed.

**Item #3,** Report to the Board by Chief Scott Spencer, Chair, Utah Fire Service Certification Council. Chief Spencer was unable to attend today's meeting. No report was given.

**Item #4,** Report to the Board by Bradley Wardle, Director, Utah Fire and Rescue Academy

- Marc McElreath reported to the Board in lieu of Director Wardle

**Item #5,** Approval of a legislatively required report to 3 committees on the progress of UFRA, Ted Black, Utah State Fire Marshal.

- In 2020 when the funding was changed for UFRA, a 3-year report was required. The report has been presented to the Higher Education Committee, Law Enforcement Committee, and Higher Education Appropriations Committee. UFRA made the report and it was signed by Director Bradley Wardle and Fire Prevention Board Chair David Olsen. Everything is going well with the change made in 2020.

**Item #6,** Discussion on residential remote electronic ignition devices, Ted Black, Utah State Fire Marshal.

- Ted Black reported these ignition devices do not meet the current requirements of the law. Fireworks manufacturers have asked to do a demonstration after the fireworks season is over to see what would make them acceptable.

**Item #7,** Emergency adoption of changes to the IFC, Ted Black, Utah State Fire Marshal.

- Mr. Black reviewed the proposed changes.

**Item #8,** Proposed changes for 2024 legislature, Ted Black, Utah State Fire Marshal.

- As outlined in #7, if emergency adoption is not needed.
- Motion made by Joe Decker to wait until the 2024 legislative session to make these changes. Seconded by Craig Humphreys. All Board Members voted in favor and the motion passed.

**Item #9,** Old Business: None

**Item #10,** New Business:

- Ted Black - New Board Members should be seated at the next Board Meeting.
- Don Buckley, FMAU – Comments on the electronic devices for fireworks.

**Item #11,** Public Comment (limit to 2 minutes):

- Doug Bitton – July 4<sup>th</sup> fire in a home 36” sparklers in a make-shift flower base had a match with a striker to slide on top of the sparklers. The vase tipped over, and we believe the striker hit a match and ignited the sparklers and a firework in the home. We need to make sure any adaptation on fireworks is maintained appropriately.

**Item #12,** Approval by the Board to conduct the September 12, 2023 Fire Prevention Board meeting virtually.

- Mike Phillips made a motion to conduct the September 2023 meeting virtually. Derek Maxfield seconded. The motion passed.

**Item #13,** Next Board Meeting is September 12, 2023, beginning at 8:30 am, at the Utah State Fire Marshal’s Office, 410 W 9800 S, Suite #372, Sandy, Utah 84070. This meeting will be both in-person and virtual.

- Mike Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Frank Parks seconded. The meeting was adjourned.