

Board/Commission Title	Member
<b>Access Board</b>	
<p>The Access Board Meets once a month, the last Monday of every Month. They have met a total of 15 meetings in the past 2 years as there were a few months that did not have any projects to review or not enough members present to have a quorum.</p>	Michael Schirling
	Rep. Alice Emmons
	Sen. Virginia Lyons
	Laura Trieschmann
	Mike Obuchowski
	Vacant (David Sagi- Passed away)
	Fredrick Senftleber
	Mike Charron
	Kim Morrow
	Cleary Buckley
Vacant Alternate pos. (Disabled)	
<b>Elevator Safety Review Board</b>	
<p>This Board meets once every other month on the second Tuesday of the even months. They have had a total of 12 meetings in the previous 2 Fiscal years.</p>	Michael Schirling
	Commissioner Noonan
	Frederick Bashara, Sr.
	Rob Devillers
	James Bushey
	William Henry
	Alan Lawler
<b>Plumbers Examining Board</b>	
<p>This Board meets once every other month on the second Tuesday of the odd months. They have had a total of 12 meetings in the previous 2 Fiscal years.</p>	Michael Schirling
	Thomas Nesbitt
	Steve Goodrich
	Brian Thomas
Sille Larsen	

<b>Electricians Licensing Board</b>	
This Board meets once every other month on the First Tuesday of the even months. They have had a total of 12 meetings in the previous 2 Fiscal years.	Michael Schirling
	John Benoit
	Kevin Bourdon
	Tim Watkins
	John Fiske
<b>Vt Fire Service Training Council</b>	
The Fire Service Training Council is required to meet two times per year and has met four times each of the last two years. All of the Fire Training Council minutes can be found on the Division of Fire Safety /Fire Academy Web Site	<a href="#">Fire Chief - Aaron Collette</a>
	<a href="#">Captain Christopher Corbin, Chairman</a>
	<a href="#">Chief Walter Bothfeld</a>
	<a href="#">Chief F. Thomas Estey</a>
	<a href="#">Mr. Matt Miles</a>
	<a href="#">Mr. John Marcus, Vice-Chairman</a>
	<b>Ex Officio Members</b>
	Michael Schirling
	Commissioner of the VT Agency of Natural Resources
	Commissioner of the VT Department of Education
Commissioner of the VT Deptment of Labor	

	Commissioner of the VT Department of Health
	<b>Non-Voting Members:</b>
	<a href="#">Peter Lynch, Chief of Training</a>

Designee	What position they hold on the board
<b>ACCESS Board</b>	
Robert Sponable, Ex-Officio	Ex-Officio Chair for the Commissioner, DPS
	Senate Institutions Committee
Caitlin Corkins or Elizabeth Peebles	State Historic Preservation Officer
Tricia Harper	Buildings and General Services Commissioner
	Representative- Disability Organization
	Independent Architect
	Vermont Center For Independent Living
	Builder/Contractor
	Representative-Disability Organization
<b>Elevator Board</b>	
Robert Sponable, Ex-Officio	Ex-Officio Chair for the Commissioner, DPS
Dan Whipple, Ex-Officio	Department of Labor
	Representing Owner of a multi-store building in which a conveyance is installed
	Representing Elevator Technician/Installer
	Representative of an elevator servicing company
	Representing Elevator Inspectors
	Representative of Elevator Companies
<b>Plumbing Board</b>	
G.J Garrow - Ex-Officio	Ex-Officio Chair for the Commissioner, DPS
	Public Member
	Licensed Master Plumber
	Licensed Journeymen Plumber
	Representing the Department of Health

<b>Electrical Board</b>	
John Black - Ex-Officio	Ex-Officio Chair for the Commissioner, DPS
	Licensed Master Electrician
	Representing Fire Insurance
	Licensed Journeyman Electrician
	Representing Utilities
	Vermont Career Chiefs Association
	Professional Firefighters of Vermont
	Vermont Chiefs Association
	Vermont State Firefighters Association
	Member of the Insurance Community
	Member of the General Public
Michael Desrochers -DFS Director	Ex-Officio Chair for the Commissioner, DPS
<a href="#">Designee: Mr. Lars Lund</a>	
<a href="#">Designee: Mr. Robert Evans</a>	Ex-Officio Chair for the Commissioner, DPS
<a href="#">Designee: Mr. Dan Whipple, VOSHA Manager</a>	



Expiration of Appointment	Term Length	Per diem (\$50 +	Board Expenditures
		No	
Appointed		No	
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passed away 6/30/23	6	Yes	
Retired 6/30/2019	6	Yes	
Passed away 6/30/2021	6	Yes	
6/30/2022	6	No	
6/30/2024	6	Yes	
		N/A	
		No	
Appointed		No	
8/31/2021	3	Yes	
8/31/2017???	3	Yes	
8/31/2019	3	Yes	
8/31/2019	3	Yes	
Retired 8/31/18	3	Yes	
		No	
2/28/2021	4	Yes	
2/28/2019	4	Yes	
2/29/2020	4	Yes	
Appointed		No	

		No	
6/30/2020	3	Yes	
6/30/2021	3	Yes	
6/30/2021	3	Yes	
6/30/2021	3	Yes	
Expire 8/31/22	3		
Expire 8/31/22	3		
Expire 8/31/23	3		
Expire 8/31/22	3		
Expire 8/31/23	3		
Expire 8/31/21	3		





Authority	Legislative report
Authority 20 V.S.A. Chapter 174	No Report
Authority 21 V.S.A. Chapter 3, Subchapter 2A	No Report
Authority 26 V.S.A. Chapter 39	Legislative Report Due January 15, 2021

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Authority 26 V.S.A., Chapter 15	Legislative Report Due January 15, 2021
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**Purpose/Activity**

**Access Board:** In 1990, the United States Congress passed the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). ADA recognized, that for people with disabilities, building accessibility was a civil right. ADA contained some provisions that pre-empted Vermont law while some provisions required less accessibility than Vermont law. The purpose of the board is to promulgate rules designed to ensure public buildings are designed and constructed to meet the Federal American with Disabilities Act (ADA). The rules also are designed to mesh both Federal and State Law into a coordinate approach to compliance. The board reviews variance requests and render decisions regarding access and use to buildings by those who have disabilities. The rules provide specific guidance to architects, designers, building owners, municipalities, contractors and Public Safety Fire Marshals. The board provides technical assistance to all stake holders and is extremely active. If the board was dismantled there would be no governing body to render decisions impacting the disabled population. There is no over lapping jurisdiction however, the work of the board does have some parallel with the Human Rights Commission. The

**Elevator Safety Board:** The purpose of the board is to assure that elevators and other automated conveyances are correctly and safely installed and operated within the state by authorizing and enforcing rules for the design, installation, operation and maintenance of conveyances, and by licensing mechanics and inspectors who work on these conveyances. The board issues initial licenses for the installation of elevators, platform lifts and stairway chairlifts, power-driven stairways, escalators and material lifts. The board reviews variance requests submitted by architects. The board is extremely active and issues licenses and renewals for those working or installing vertical conveyances. If the board was dismantled we would have no regulatory entity issuing licenses to ensure all the vertical conveyances are installed and maintained in accordance with national safety standards. We currently license approximately 158 Elevator licenses. With a total of have approximately 2496 registered conveyances requiring annual inspections. **The Elevator Board is not**

**Plumber's Board:** The purpose of the board is to protect and improve the general health and welfare of the people of the State of Vermont in the fields of environmental sanitation, water treatment, domestic supply and hydronically related hot water heating, by authorizing and enforcing rules and regulations for properly designed, acceptably installed and adequately maintained plumbing, water treatment and hydronically related water heating systems and by licensing qualified plumbers and qualified heating and water treatment specialists. If the Board was dismantled we could not license

plumbers and more importantly we could not regulate who was doing plumbing work in public buildings. Regulating the profession allows fair bidding for construction projects because an equal playing field is provided by having well defined standards of construction. We currently have 1769 valid Plumbing licenses and renew approximately 791 licenses each year. We adopt the Amended International Plumbing Code every 3 years when published by the International Code Council. This board does not overlap with any other Board and is critical to the mission of Public Safety. This Board is the best suitable Board to regulate the profession of plumbing. The current statute and rules provide adequate authority and reflect an accurate account of the board's purpose and activities. In

**Electrician's Board:** The purpose of the board is to protect the people of the State of Vermont from the risk of fire or electrocution from unsafe electrical installation, by the adoption and enforcement of nationally recognized safety codes and by the licensure, education and training, of people doing electrical installation work. The board is extremely active and is responsible for issuing initial electrical licenses, license renewal, continuing education and discipline. The Board promulgates rules to adopt nationally recognized safety codes and standards and to ensure properly trained and licensed trade professionals are engaged in electrical wiring to protect Vermonters and reduce fires. If the Board was dismantled we could not license electricians and more importantly we could not regulate who was doing wiring in public buildings. Regulating the profession allows fair bidding for construction projects because an equal playing field is provided by having well defined standards of construction. We currently have 3874 valid Electrical licenses and renew approximately 1213 licenses each year. We adopt the Amended National Electrical Code every 3 years when published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). This board does not overlap with any other Board and is critical to the mission of Public Safety. This Board is the best suitable Board to regulate the profession of electrical wiring The current statute provides adequate authority and reflects an accurate account of the board's jurisdiction and authority. In 2021, the board is required to submit a legislative report regarding a

The Fire Service Training Council is responsible for providing minimum basic training courses for full-time firefighters and minimum basic training courses which shall be made available, on a voluntary basis, to other firefighters. They also create standards for approval of fire service training courses, certification of instructors, and the grounds for revocation of approval or certification; training requirements for certification and recertification of firefighters; and standards for recertification of firefighters who have not maintained their certification. If the Council did not exist there is a danger of policies being written to represent specific groups and not the entire fire service. The Fire Service Training Councils adoption of all of the current National Fire Protection Association standards as well certification standards is a strong indicator that they are performing adequately. Yes, The Fire Service Training Council Rules and Policies were updated effective: 02/15/2020 and appropriately represent Title 20: Internal Security and Public Safety Chapter 179: Vermont Fire Service Training Council which establishes the responsibilities of the Council.



**Board Performance**




The Fire Service Training Council has representation from all Vermont Fire Service-related groups and that allows the end users an opportunity to make sure that the Council addresses their current needs. The Council also is required to review and adopt the current National Fire Protection Association standards in order for the Vermont Fire Academy to hold Nationally accreditation license as a Fire Service ProBoard agency on certification.

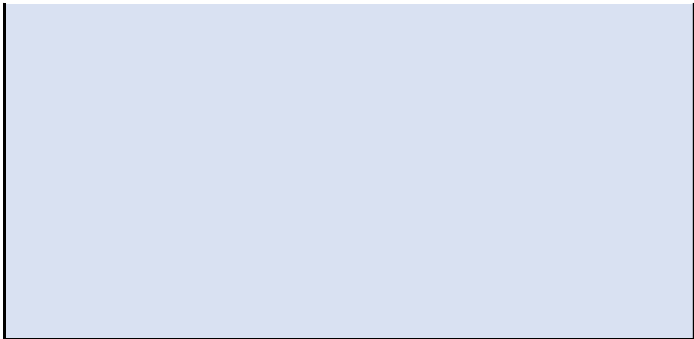


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