

# **Summary of Board of Boiler Rules Meeting December 11, 2024**

## **Summary of Minutes - Quarterly Meeting of the State of Tennessee Board of Boiler Rules**

**Date:** December 11, 2024, **Time:** 9:00 a.m.

### **Key Points and Takeaways:**

#### **1. Meeting Initiation:**

- Chairman David Baughman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- Board members, department staff, and guests introduced themselves.

#### **2. Agenda and Minutes Approval:**

- The agenda for the meeting was adopted.
- Minutes and transcript from the September 11, 2024, meeting were approved.

#### **3. Boiler Unit Report:**

- Chief Boiler Inspector Jimmy Watson reported on state inspections, delinquency rates, code violations, and active variances.
- Upcoming inspections were noted for Southern Hills Medical, Carlex Glass, and Clover Boom Developmental Center.
- An incident at Strawberry Plains involving attempts to destroy animal fats in boilers was discussed.
- Concerns about the operation of alarms and log sheets at Southern Hills were raised.
- Carlex Glass was noted to have untrained new staff.

#### **4. Variance Request 24-04 McKee Foods:**

- McKee Foods sought approval for attendants' variance for 10 boilers.
- Issues with existing variance and e-stops not being hardwired were discussed.
- Variance was approved contingent upon inspection and manual changes.

#### **5. Repair License Approval - Wilson Boiler Service:**

- Wilson Boiler Service sought a repair license for boiler erection, repair, and alteration.
- Approval was granted contingent upon having a business license and a mechanical contractor's license for jobs over \$25,000.

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### 6. Board Cases and Interpretations:

- **BC 24-02:** Proposal for a 180-day notification period for inspection readiness was tabled for language revision.
- **BI 24-01:** Approved that power boilers rated at 49.0 KW and above adhere to specific attendance requirements.
- **BI 24-02:** Discussion on walkways, runways, and platforms across adjoining boilers was tabled for a working session.
- **BI 24-03:** Approved the use of mobile rolling platforms as currently worded.

### 7. Open Discussion:

- Chairman Baughman thanked Mr. Hayes for his participation.

### 8. Upcoming Meetings:

- Scheduled for March 12, 2025; June 11, 2025; September 10, 2025; and December 10, 2025.

### 9. Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.