

## PLUMBING ADVISORY BOARD, THURSDAY, January 17, 2025

PRESENT: Board Members: Jeff Mason, vice-chairperson; Anthony DeLuca, contractor; Michael Zepp, Bureau Chief; Jason Green, Director; Bob Ridge, Chief Plumbing Inspector; Elizabeth Moore, County Attorney; David Zicha, Brad Rockwood, Carl Strine board members; Karen Brown, Plumbing Board Secretary

ABSENT: Board Members: Penny Wisner, Health Department; James Turnbaugh, chairperson; Tim Burgan, board member

Notice of this meeting was provided to the public by emailing notice to members of the Carroll County Plumbing Board and posting notice electronically on the County's website.

The meeting was held at the Carroll County Government Office Building, 225 North Center St, Room 118 Westminster, and called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Mr. Jeff Mason, Vice-Chairperson.

### Old Business

Jeff Mason went over the following items that were discussed at the previous meeting in detail:

Push pull valves and supplies, shower pans containing a freestanding shower unit within the tile pan, CSST bonding and info, backflow isolation and containment within a multi-unit building, backflow calibration on test equipment on county report.

### New Business

Mike Zepp introduced our new County Attorney Elizabeth Moore to all the board members.

Water meters are being by-passed in a development in Taneytown. The county became aware of the problem when a homeowner was trying to get neighbors to do the same.

Condensate neutralization is being made mandatory by some counties. There were questions discussed addressing the environmental effects.

Types of plumbing work that can be done without permits was discussed including examples of changing out a kitchen trap and replacement like for like.

There was a discussion about being able to send pictures for inspections. Mike Zepp said it is a case by case basis on whether pictures can be submitted.

Jason Green suggested adding requirements for electric water heaters on our website for citizens to access.

A blanket statement was made about owners and tradesmen being responsible for replacements being installed to code.

A discussion took place about chimney/liner inspections and when they should be required. At this time those inspections are not being required by Carroll County.

The question about Green CPVC glue being ok to use was brought up and Bob Ridge stated that it meets ratings.

Mr. Jeff Mason made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Tony DeLuca seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:00am. The next scheduled Carroll County Plumbing Board meeting will be held on April 17, 2025.

Submitted by:

Approved by: