

BUILDING CODES BOARD OF APPEAL

Purpose(s)/Service(s): Richland County Ordinance, Section 6-75 establishes a Board of Appeals that meets the requirements of the most prescriptive adopted building codes mandated by the South Carolina Building Code Council, thus facilitates all matters/areas of building code appeals that may come before them. Appeals to decisions made by the building official are referred to the Board by the Building Official. The Board shall hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions, or determinations made by the Building or Fire Official relative to the application and interpretation of the various codes adopted. After a hearing, the interpretation may be modified and/or reversed. The Board shall have no authority to waive the requirements of any currently adopted code dealing with existing or proposed structures within Richland County.

The Board consists of **SEVEN (7)** members appointed by Council. **ONE (1)** member must come from each of the following industries: Architecture, Engineering, Contracting, Building, Electrical, Plumbing and Gas. In addition, **TWO (2)** alternate members must come from the Fire Industry. The Board shall consist of members who are qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to building construction, and are not employees of the jurisdiction. The members serve **THREE (3)** year terms. Members shall not serve more than **TWO (2)** consecutive terms; however, upon service of **TWO (2)** consecutive terms a member may be eligible for reappointment after **ONE (1)** year of non-service.

The Board shall meet within **TEN (10)** days after notice of an appeal is received from the Building or Fire Official. Meetings are usually scheduled on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 1:30 PM.

Required Experience:

- Registered design professional who is a registered architect; or a builder or superintendent of building construction with not less than 10 years' experience, 5 years of which shall have been responsible/in charge of work.
- Registered design professional with structural engineering or architectural experience.
- Registered design professional with mechanical and plumbing engineering experience; or a mechanical and plumbing contractor without less than 10 years' experience, 5 years of which shall have been responsible/in charge of work.
- Registered design professional with electrical engineering experience; or an electrical contractor with not less than 10 years' experience, 5 years of which shall have been responsible/in charge of work.
- Registered design professional with fire protection engineering experience; or a fire protection contractor with not less than 10 years' experience, 5 years of which shall have been responsible/in charge of work

****All professionals must be registered in the State of South Carolina.**

| | Appointment Date | Re-Appointment |
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| Ashley Scott (Architect) (1 st Term) | November 5, 2013 | November 5, 2016 |
| Jeff Allen (Fire Alternate) (1 st Term) | December 9, 2014 | December 9, 2017 |
| William B. Kauric (Fire Alt) (2 nd Term) | April 21, 2015 | April 21, 2018 |
| Greg Mackie (Gas) (4 th Term) | November 3, 2015 | November 3, 2018 |
| Doug Ford (Plumbing) (1 st Term) | April 16, 2019 | April 16, 2022 |
| Willie Farmer (Electrical) (2 nd Term) | May 7, 2019 | May 7, 2022 |
| Jesse Burke (Engineer) (1 st Term) | May 16, 2023 | May 16, 2026 |
| Shaun Jackson (Building) (1 st Term) | March 19, 2024 | March 19, 2027 |
| Brittany Watts (Contractor) (1 st Term) | March 4, 2025 | March 4, 2028 |

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