

# Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals Meeting Minutes, February 12, 2026

Zoom Meeting Information:

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## I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Deveaugh called to order a published virtual meeting of the Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals at 7:00 PM.

## II. ROLL CALL

Peter Deveaugh, Chairman	Sergio Pellecer
Edward Badiu	Michael Rada
Stephen Bailey	Scott Taggart
Gregg D'Attilio	Robert Taylor
Jeff Falkanger	Derek Wassink
R. Art Kamm	Lynn Wolfson

## III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the agenda, and Ms. Wolfson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 8, 2026, Board Meeting

Mr. Kamm made a motion, and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion, to approve the January 8, 2026, minutes as submitted. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## V. PUBLIC COMMENT (Except public hearing items on this agenda) - none

Public comments are limited to 3 minutes.

## VI. CONSENT AGENDA

### 1. Certifications – Staff Recommended

#### **TOWN OF DEERFIELD BEACH**

Westenhiser, Matthew, Electrical Inspector (120-Day Temporary)

#### **CITY OF HOLLYWOOD**

Leveille, Jacques, Structural Inspector (120-Day Temporary)

Oliver, Sheila, Assistant Building Official

#### **CITY OF LAUDERHILL**

Cappola III, George E., Chief Electrical Inspector

#### **CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES**

Thoner, Jr., Robert, Chief Electrical Inspector

#### **CITY OF MIRAMAR**

Destajo, Jake, Fire Inspector

**CITY OF POMPANO BEACH**

Carlson, Jonathan, Structural Inspector – Limited (120-Day Temporary)

**VILLAGE OF SEA RANCH LAKES**

Hans, Stephen, Chief Structural Inspector

**TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES**

Bennett, Jeremie, Building Official

**CITY OF TAMARAC**

Deveaugh, Peter, Chief Electrical Inspector

**CITY OF WILTON MANORS**

Thoner, Jr., Robert, Chief Electrical Inspector

**COUNTYWIDE**

Castro, Carlos, Plumbing Inspector

Cata, Teresa, Mechanical Inspector

Cata, Teresa, Mechanical Plans Examiner

Kohn, Jordan, Electrical Inspector

Kohn, Jordan, Mechanical Inspector

Kohn, Jordan, Plumbing Inspector

Perera-Santos, Mariley, Structural Inspector

Perera-Santos, Mariley, Structural Plans Examiner

Santiago, Rollin, Structural Inspector

Santiago, Rollin, Structural Plans Examiner

Vayalinkal, Sebastian, Structural Plans Examiner

Mr. Kamm made a motion, and Dr. Badiu seconded the motion to approve the certifications as recommended by staff. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

1. **First Reading of the Proposed Revision to the Broward County Amendments to the FBC, Chapter 1, Section 104.3.1 Interim Chief Inspector to Allow the BORA Administrative Director to Grant a One-Time 90-Day Extension to the Interim Chief Inspector Appointment**

a. Staff Report

Mr. Rolando Soto, Chief Mechanical Code Compliance Officer, reviewed the request before the Board as outlined in the agenda memorandum. There is a difference in the language for a building official and a chief. It is a housekeeping issue. The language provides that the staff may grant a period of time for an individual to serve as an interim chief, and the Administrative Director may grant a one-time 90-day extension. If even more time is needed, another extension would be necessary from the Board.

b. Board Questions – none

c. Board Action

Mr. Falkanger made a motion, and Mr. D’Attile seconded the motion to approve the item on first reading as presented. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

2. **Second Reading of the Proposed Revision to the Florida Building Code, Broward County Administrative Amendments, 8th (2023) Edition, Chapter 1, Sections 104.1.1, Appointment of a Building Official, 104.2.1, Appointment of an Assistant Building Official, and 104.3, Appointment of the Chief Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, and Structural Inspector, Relating to Obtaining Written Authorization from City Managers to Serve More than Two (2) Jurisdictions Prior to Applying for Board Consideration**

a. Staff Report – Dr. Ana C. Barbosa

Dr. Ana Barbosa, Administrative Director, introduced the item. The amendment would clarify that, before a request is presented to the Board, the matter must be submitted to the city manager for approval, which is essentially the current practice.

b. Board Questions – none

c. Public Hearing

Chairman Deveaugh opened the floor for a public hearing, but no one wished to speak.

d. Board Action

Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve the code amendment on second reading as recommended, and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

3. **Second Reading of the Proposed Addition to the Florida Building Code, Broward County Administrative Amendments, 8th (2023) Edition, Chapter 1, Section 111, Certificates of Occupancy and Completion; Subsection 111.2, Line Item 13, and 111.5, Related to Permits Issued Under the Provisions of Florida Statute 553.791**

a. Staff Report – Dr. Ana C. Barbosa

Dr. Ana Barbosa, Administrative Director, introduced the item and highlighted the change. If the item passes, it will be effective in thirty days.

b. Board Questions - none

In response to Mr. D'Attile, Dr. Barbosa explained that the statute has changed. Contractors may use building departments or private providers; however, the building official is still responsible for either.

In response to Mr. Bailey, Dr. Barbosa explained that this provides a uniform way to indicate that a private provider would be used.

In response to Mr. D'Attile, Dr. Barbosa indicated that virtual inspections would be permitted, subject to prior approval from the building official.

c. Public Hearing

Chairman Deveaugh opened the floor for a public hearing, but there was no one wishing to speak.

d. Board Action

Mr. D'Attile made a motion to approve the revision on first reading as recommended, and Ms. Wolfson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

4. **Second Reading of the Proposed Revision to the Broward County Uniform Building Permit Application, related to the Owner's Authorization for a Contractor to use a Private Provider for Building Code Inspections and Plan Review Service, Under the Provisions of Florida Statute 553.791(2)(a)**

a. Staff Report – Dr. Ana C. Barbosa

Dr. Ana Barbosa, Administrative Director, introduced the item and highlighted the change.

b. Board Questions - none

c. Public Hearing

Chairman Deveaugh opened the floor for a public hearing, but there was no one wishing to speak.

d. Board Action

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the revision on second reading as recommended, and Dr. Badiu seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

5. **Director's Report**

Dr. Barbosa announced a format change in which staff are meeting with cities grouped into four geographic quadrants. The objective is to improve communications and to discuss uniform practices.

6. **Attorney's Report**

Mr. Charles Kramer indicated that he is monitoring three lawsuits brought by an individual and anticipates prevailing in all three.

7. **Committee Reports** - none

8. **General Board Member Discussion**

Some discussion ensued concerning the electronic processing of building permits throughout the county. Dr. Barbosa noted that submission is permissible by email. Dr. Badiu commented that email might be possible for a small project but would be challenging for larger ones. Chairman Deveaugh commented that the issue is primarily funding. A drop box can be used.

9. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.



Chairman