

Building Codes Structures Board

“Special Board Meeting” minutes

December 15, 2010

Members present: Terry Dieter, Chairman
Joseph Bowers
Dan Carlson
Rene Gonzalez
Gregory Nelson
Thomas Sjostrom

Members absent: Eric McMullen, Vice-chair
Ted Wenk
Steven Wood

Staff present: Chris Huntington, manager, policy and technical services
Richard Rogers, structural program chief
Wendy Beard, northwest regional coordinator
Jim Hanson, policy analyst
Debi Barnes-Woods, boards coordinator

Guests Present: Steve Tucker, ALA

I. Board business

A. Call to order

Chairman Terry Dieter called the Special meeting of the Building Codes Structures Board to order at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held at Building Codes Division, Conference Room “A,” 1535 Edgewater Street NW, Salem, Oregon.

B. Roll call

Vice-chair McMullen, Ted Wenk and Steven Wood were all absent excused. Rene Gonzalez and Gregory Nelson were both connected by teleconference.

C. Approval of the agenda and order of business

The agenda was approved.

D. Date of the next regularly scheduled meeting: February 2, 2011

II. New business

Review and provide recommendations for proposed code change for new Sections 1811 and 1812 to the 2010 Oregon Structural Specialty Code required by Senate Bill 1025 (2010) for radon mitigation

Richard Rogers, structural program chief, said that the division was directed by legislation, Senate Bill 1025, to adopt design and construction standards for mitigating radon levels applicable in the following counties: Baker, Clackamas, Hood River, Multnomah, Polk, Washington and Yamhill. Per Section 4 of SB 1025, both the Building Codes Structures Board and the Residential and Manufactured Structures Board must adopt design and construction standards no

later than January 1, 2011.

Dan Carlson suggested that the definition for public buildings in Section 1812.2 and Section 1811.1 use the same language. Program Chief Rogers said that if there are significant differences in the definitions the division can continue to pursue prior to the adoption date.

In answering Mr. Carlson's question on the need for a special inspector for radon, Program Chief Rogers said that those issues will be reviewed before the standard is adopted on the structural side April 1, 2013.

Steve Tucker, ALA, certified tester of radon for EPA, made himself available to the board and the audience at any time for his expertise in the field of radon mitigation.

Motion by Dan Carlson to approve the amendments creating new sections 1811 and 1812 to the 2010 OSSC addressing radon mitigation as proposed and send to public hearing, with the finding that the added cost, if any, is necessary to the health and safety of the occupants or the public or necessary to conserve scarce resources.

VII. Announcements – None

VIII. Adjournment

Chair Dieter adjourned the meeting at 11:10. a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Debi Barnes-Woods
Division Boards Coordinator