

FINAL
State of Oregon

BUILDING CODES STRUCTURES BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ted Argo, Chairman
Martin Brown, Vice-Chairman
Bruce Dobbs
Lawrence Hite
Jim Schwager

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dan Kovtynovich *(excused)*

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Long, Administrator of Building Codes Division
Andrea Simmons, Manager of Policy and Technical Services
Richard Rogers, Interim Structural Program Chief
and Board Secretary
Roseanne Nelson, Interim Manager of Regulatory Services
Allen Aschim, Chief Compliance Officer
Mike Ewert, Mechanical/One- and Two-Family Dwelling
Code Specialist
Ravindra Mahajan, P.E., Facilities Engineer
Louann Rahmig, Rules Coordinator
Richard Baumann, Policy Analyst
Debi Barnes-Woods, Division Boards Coordinator/Recorder

GUESTS PRESENT: Alan Seymour, Oregon Depart of Energy
John Caul, OSFM
Rich Butcher, Local Fire Service
Dennis Purkins, Deshutes County
Rick Heiserman, Chairman of Joint Codes Committee
Lori Graham, COD
John Lape, John Lape Architect

I. BOARD BUSINESS

I.A. Call to Order

Chairman Ted Argo called the Building Codes Structures Board to order at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Building Codes Division, Conference Room "A", 1535 Edgewater NW, Salem, Oregon.

I.B. Roll Call

Dan Kovtynovich was absent, excused.

I.C. Approval of Agenda and Order of Business

Chairman Argo **RULED** the agenda approved as mailed.

I.D. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes: September 10, 2003

Corrections to the minutes were as follows:

Page 3 first paragraph Section 14 insert – For consistency, that would include providing statewide interpretations. Page 5 item B insert – Mr. Stevenson thought that having that information available on CD-ROM would not be a problem as long as the information was provided by Oregon.

Chairman Argo **RULED** the regular Board meeting minutes of September 10, 2004, approved as amended.

Chairman Argo noted that at the February 4, 2004 meeting, Louann Rahmig, Rules Coordinator, verified that the code review committee would include reports on the IBC and the IMC.

I.E. Date of the Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

June 2, 2004.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

III. COMPLIANCE REPORT

III.A. Compliance cases for board review – Roseanne Nelson and Allen Aschim.

- 1. Repeat Violator, Ronald Hardy**, installed an air-conditioner without a permit. The respondent was offered a consent order and paid the fine. Respondent did not return the signed consent order. The Division withdrew the consent order and assessed full penalty. The Division recommended approval of the default order.

MOTION by Martin Brown to adopt Division recommendation.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

III.B. Summary of compliance actions previously taken by the division for cases III.B.1 through 12. (No board action required)

Jim Schwager expressed his appreciation for the improvements of the compliance reports and for the quick turn around time.

IV. STAFF REPORTS

Mark Long, Administrator of Building Codes Division reported on the changes occurring at the Division. He explained that due to several vacancies, individuals have been in job rotations. He introduced Laurie Hall as the new Administrative Assistant. Administrator Long was pleased to announce Andrea Simmons accepted the position as Manager of Policy and Technical Services after completing an exhaustive interview process.

Copies of, *Exhibit "A"*, BCD Proposed Reorganization was distributed. Revenues are received from permit fees, licensing and surcharge fees. The intent of the reorganization is to align the Division's activities with revenue sources.

Administrator Long discussed the ending fund balances for Building Codes Division from 1993 through the estimated ending fund balance of 2005, the close of the biennium. *Exhibit "B"*.

Andrea Simmons, Manager of Policy and Technical Services distributed copies, *Exhibit "C"*, of proposed rulemaking and other projects for 2003 – 2004. A brief discussion took place on SB 906 related to contractor license consolidation, visible identification standards, a uniform citation process and revamping the compliance program.

(Agenda Item VII. heard out of order. Regular meeting was temporarily adjourned due to executive session. When executive session adjourns, regular Board meeting will come to order.)

(Break to clear room)

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSULT WITH LEGAL COUNSEL. EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS LAW. ORS 192.660(2)(h).

(Break to allow audience to be seated)

Jim Schwager repealed a motion made at a previous meeting.

MOTION by Jim Schwager to recommend that Building Codes Division repeal and re-adopt OAR 918-460-0015 through temporary rule and followed immediately by permanent rulemaking as soon as practicable 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.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Agenda Item IX. heard out of order)

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Request to revise City of Portland's local amendment for five-story wood framed construction.

Lori Graham, City of Portland, representing Ray Kerridge, Director, Bureau of Development Services, City of Portland, requested approval of revisions to Local Amendment Ruling No. 95-25 that allows for the construction of five story Type – 5 wood frame construction for multi-family residential buildings. Ms. Graham introduced Rich Butcher, Local Fire Service; Rick Heiserman, Chairman of Joint Codes Committee; and John Lape, former Chairman of Joint Codes Committee.

Ms. Graham explained that one technical change occurred in the proposed request to Section 24.95.035 Commercial Kitchens Grease Ducts and Exhaust Equipment, and a revision to Section 24.95.055 Opening Protection. Other changes were for clarification.

Vice-Chairman Martin Brown asked if any failures to the plumbing or mechanical systems occurred as a result of construction shrinkage. Ms. Graham indicated no failures have occurred to plumbing, mechanical or electrical system.

Section 24.95.060 C Stairways to the roof was discussed. Ms. Graham clarified that provisions in 24.95 are designed to work with provisions already established in the Structural Specialty Code, Mechanical Specialty Code and all specialty codes mandated by the state of Oregon.

MOTION by Vice-Chairman Martin Brown to approve revisions to Local Amendment Ruling No. 95-25 that allows for the construction of five stories of Type – 5 wood frame construction for multi-family residential buildings based on the review of the administrative and technical provisions provided by the City of Portland.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

V. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Statewide Code Interpretation No. 1312.2.1 on averaging of insulation R-value for sloped roof insulation.**
- B. Statewide Interpretation No. 1312.2.2 on values obtained from Simplified Trade-Off Approach (STA) method.**
- C. Statewide Interpretation No. R403.1.4.1/R404.1.4 on reinforcement requirements in footings and foundation walls.**
- D. Statewide Interpretation No. C404.1 on installation of gas piping in a plenum.**

Richard Rogers, Interim Structural Program Chief, explained that the appeals listed under communication were for information only.

VI. APPEALS – None

(Agenda Item VII. heard after IV.)

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

(Agenda Item IX. heard after VII.)

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The Structural Engineering Committee will meet 9:30 a.m., September 17, 2003, at Miller Consulting Engineers, 9570 SW Barbur Boulevard, Suite 100, Portland, Oregon 97219.
- B. The Energy Committee will meet 9 a.m., September 24, at BCD's Conference Room "A", 1535 Edgewater NW, Salem, OR 97304.
- C. Structural Code Committee will meet 9 a.m., September 18, at BCD's Conference Room "C", 1535 Edgewater NW, Salem, OR 97304.
- D. The Dwelling/Mechanical Committee will meet 9 a.m., November 18, at OBIA, 375 Taylor NE, Salem Oregon.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Argo adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Debi Barnes-Woods
Division Boards Coordinator/Recorder

Exhibits:

- A. BCD Proposed Reorganization, ***Agenda Item V.***
- B. BCD Ending Fund Balances, ***Agenda Item V.***
- C. Summary of Proposed Rulemaking and other Projects for 2003 – 2004, ***Agenda Item V.***

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