

Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)
April 13, 2010
10:00AM
7979 Independence Blvd., Room 308
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806
Meeting Minutes

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 10:08 A.M.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Chair requested a roll call of the members which reflected the following:

Members Present: Mr. Barry; Mr. Boudreaux; Mr. Bourgeois; Mr. Brown; Mr. Byrd; Mr. Courouleau; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Gil; Mr. J. Henderson; Mr. M. Henderson; Mr. Holden; Mr. Kothe; Mr. Lucky; Ms. McKinney; Mr. Metcalf; Ms. Mire; Mr. Noel.

Members Absent: Mr. Trosclair.

Excused absence: Mr. Trosclair.

17 members present and 1 members absent constitute a Quorum.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to adopt the minutes from the March 9, 2010 LSUCCC meeting and received a second from Mr. Byrd . The chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 17 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to conduct the next LSUCCC meeting in Baton Rouge, Room 308 of the Office of Management and Finance on, Tuesday, May 11, 2010, at 10:00AM and received a second from Mr. Gadberry. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 17 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

The Chair opened the floor for a Technical Codes Study and Advisory committee report from Ms. McKinney. Ms. McKinney began with the next meeting which is scheduled for today after the conclusion of the UCC regular meeting. This concluded her report, **no action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a Code Enforcement Advisory Committee report from Mr. Kothe. Mr. Kothe began with an update of the complaints and resolution against Mr. Bernard Mayeux. The committee received a signed stipulated judgment with Mr. Mayeux and he has begun his accompanied inspections as required. The Council is still waiting on a ruling from the judge concerning the temporary restraining order for Delvin Portier and Karen Dillard, Mr. Schexnayder received word that it would be another 7 to 10 days. Mr. Kothe continued with an update of several complaint files, and there were several speakers to address the Council on the issue of the complaints filed against the Lafourche Parish, and employees of the permit office. This concluded the committee report. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for the review and discussion of the GOHSEP grant award revisions for City of Covington and Calcasieu Parish. A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to accept the amendment request to the GOHSEP grant line items for the City of Covington and received a second from Mr. Barry. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 16 yes and 0 no, and a recusal from Mr. Courouveau and the **motion was adopted**.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Barry to accept the amendment request to the GOHSEP grant line items for the Calcasieu Parish and received a second from Mr. Lucky. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 17 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for a status report on GOHSEP grant. The Chair reviewed information on the totals of the reimbursed amounts and pending reimbursement amounts to date. There will be an ALG Committee meeting to discuss the reallocation of unexpended funds. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for an update on the status of the APA rules concerning the adoption of the 2009 I-Codes. Mr. Schexnayder stated that the Administrator submitted the adoption of the codes with the amendments to the appropriate legislative committees and to the members in accordance with Act 501 of the 2009 Regular Session. To date we have had no comments and will continue to move forward with the rule promulgation process. The information will go to the Fiscal Office on April 20. A **motion** was made by Mr. Gadberry to amend the APA rule on the adoption of the 2009 I-codes with a date to begin enforcement for any permits issued after January 1, 2011 and received a second from Mr. Brown. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 17 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for a legislative update, during which time the Council heard comments on several proposed legislation in the current session. HB 339 is a bill concerning the installation of a photoelectric smoke detector. HB 206 from Rep. Fannin states that the Council cannot adopt the Residential Sprinkler requirements as part of the code. HB 700 exempts church camps from the requirements of the state construction codes. HB 612 concerns Manufactured Housing, and includes definitions distinctions of Manufactured Housing and Modular Housing, and includes some requirements of the warranty. As well as giving the power of placement to the local jurisdictions. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for Butch Browning, LA State Fire Marshal to address the Council on the issue of the Council being moved to the Office of the State Fire Marshal in the next fiscal year. Mr. Browning addressed the Council members and took questions. Mr. Browning also advised that there would not be any formal announcement until such time as the final decision is made. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for a report on the Department of Natural Resources meeting. The Chair began with some information of the most recent meetings with the department, and Billy Williamson addressed the Council on the discussions of training possibly being made available to the building code enforcement officers on the Door Blower and Duct Blaster test. The Council will continued to be a part of these discussions. **No action required**.

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The Chair opened the floor for a status on the Grandfathering clause. Ms. Salario began by confirming that the office had received a number of notarized letters and back-up for the grandfathering of Building Code Enforcement Officers. The database for registration is currently being reconfigured to allow for the grandfathering and the staff is holding the information until the change to the database is complete. As long as the information is dated and post marked by the deadline the information will be accepted. Also presented by Ms. Salario was the item no. 6 under new business for the Council to consider the changing of the Continuing Education requirement for the grandfathered BCEO from 3 CEU's per year to 1 CEU requirement due to the financial and time constraints on jurisdictions. This item will be discussed on a later agenda. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion of possible additional training and funding. The Chair began by introducing Mark Roberts of the International Code Council to make an announcement. Mark Roberts announced that there will be holding an 2006 IRC Hurricane Resistant Construction Course, the class is tentatively scheduled for June 30th, here in Baton Rouge. Information is available by contacting ICC, or the Council office. In addition Ms. Salario made an announcement that the local building permit departments do have the authority to complete the Hurricane Loss Mitigation Survey Form, information may be obtained through the Council office.

The Chair continued this item by announcing that funds may still be available under the GOHSEP grant for training. A **motion** was made by Mr. Noel to contact GOHSEP and amend the training portion of the grant to allow for additional training on the Energy Code requirements, and Existing Building Code and received a second from Courouveau. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 17 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted.**

With no other items on the agenda, and no motion to accept other business. A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to adjourn and with no objection the meeting was adjourned at 12:22pm.

END OF MINUTES