Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC) May 11, 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 10:00a.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. Courouleau;

Mr. Gadberry; Mr. J. Henderson; Mr. Holden; Mr. Kothe; Mr. Lucky; Ms.

McKinney; Mr. Metcalf; Mr. Noel; Mr. Thibodeaux; Mr. Trosclair.

Members Absent: Mr. Byrd; Mr. Gil; Mr. M. Henderson; Ms. Mire.

Excused absence: Mr. Byrd; Mr. Gil; Mr. M. Henderson; Ms. Mire.

15 members present and 4 members absent constitute a Quorum.

The Chair began by announcing the newest member of the Uniform Construction Code Council, Mr. David Thibodeaux, and welcoming him to the Council.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Barry to adopt the minutes from the April 13, 2010 LSUCCC meeting and received a second from Ms. McKinney. The chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Brown to conduct the next LSUCCC meeting in Baton Rouge on Tuesday, June 8, 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 15 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 Technical Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 8, 2010, following the regular Council meeting. The last meeting was held April 13, 2010, covered several items. The committee received a code amendment request from Frank Camanita on flex-duct supports, and is awaiting a formal code change request. There was also a conversation on the WFCM regarding 10' unsupported walls; the committee voted to send a letter to the American Wood Council for an interpretation. Mr. Kothe suggested that letter be address to Ken Bland. The committee reviewed information on bullet proof glass product which was requesting approval for a wind-borne debris rating. Upon review the committee determined that the product was approved for commercial curtain walls, not for residential. Next the committee received information from Linda Eschette, of the International Hurricane Protection Association, who requested a reminder to code officials to check for the wood structural panels on site if the windows do not have the wind borne debris stickers on them, before issuing the final Certificate of Occupancy. A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to send a letter to the American Wood Council requesting an interpretation of the WFCM concerning 10'

unsupported walls and received a second from Mr. Kothe. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair requested that the Technical Committee look at the requirements for the 2008 NEC for Modular Homes that are completed but not permitted prior to January 1, 2010.

The Chair opened the floor for a Code Enforcement Advisory Committee report from Mr. Kothe. The CEA committee met previously on May 4, 2010. The first issue was a discussion and response from Lafourche Parish concerning the numerous complaints filed. Mr. Morris met following the meeting with Denise Jobe to review all the complaint information received. The committee agreed to accept a monthly report from Mr. Morris as to the actions taken to resolve the complaints against the parish. The next complaint reviewed was against St. Tammany concerning a manufactured home, it was determined that the home fell under the authority of the LA. Manufactured Housing Commission and the complaint is closed. The Third issue addressed was complaints received against Jefferson Parish concerning the amendments to the codes, registration of the third party providers and subsequently the refusal to accept work from properly registered third party providers. There was some discussion, and recommendation to seek an opinion from the Office of the Attorney General. After further discussion it was decided the legal staff should draft a letter to Jefferson Parish concerning these violations. A motion was made by Mr. Noel to have the legal staff draft a letter to the Jefferson Parish Permit Office, as well as the Parish President, notifying them of the complaints received by the Council and received a second from Ms. McKinney. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the motion was adopted.

Mr. Kothe opened the floor for a discussion concerning the comprehensive list of building permit departments throughout the state; calling for anyone in these jurisdictions listed to please contact the administrative office to update their information. Also, Paul Schexnayder informed the Council that the judge has not rendered a judgment in on the temporary restraining. There was some discussion on the appropriate action to revise the APA rules to allow for temporary suspension before formal hearing process. A **motion** was made by Mr. Kothe to have legal staff craft language to revise the APA rules to allow for temporary suspension before formal hearing process and received a second from Mr. Boudreaux. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for the review and discussion of the GOHSEP grant award revisions for South Central Regional Construction Code Council. A **motion** was made by Mr. Courouleau to approve the GOHSEP grant line item revision for SCPDC and received a second from Mr. Brown. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The Chair opened the floor for an update on the status of the GOHSEP grant awards, and discussed a recommendation to approve the GOHSEP grant awards to the Cities of Tallulah and Jonesville. A **motion** was made by Mr. Noel to approve the GOHSEP grant awards for the Cities of Tallulah and Jonesville and received a second from Mr. Lucky. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**.

The committee did receive new applications and using the original criteria and will award money accordingly. If you are in a jurisdiction that received original awards the committee has set a deadline of July 13, 2010 as the deadline for beginning the RFP process for the line items awarded. There was some discussion concerning the remaining funds to be spent by the Department of Public Safety and the possibility of spending those funds for training from the LSU AgCenter. A **motion** was made by Mr. Kothe to for the LSU AgCenter to provide the ALG committee the dollar amounts for the proposed training and comprehensive database information so that the committee can make a recommendation as to how to use the reaming funds and received a second from Mr. Courouleau. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a legislative update. The Chair reviewed the status of proposed legislation that affects the Uniform Construction Codes and the building trade specifically. **No action required.**

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion of the letter regarding Park Models. The Council was made aware of complaints and concerns received. A **motion** was made by Mr. Kothe for the Chair to approve the formation of a sub-committee to review the Park Model information, and invite other interested parties, including but not limited to the Manufactured Housing Commission and Association, and Office of the State Fire Marshal the motion received a second from Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown accepted the position of chairman of the sub-committee. After some discussion the Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 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. Lucky to adjourn and with no objection the meeting was adjourned at 12:23p.m.

END OF MINUTES