



MEETING MINUTES

DATE: August 21, 2008
TIME: 11:45 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

LOCATION: **Holiday Inn**
7000 Beach Blvd
Buena Park, CA 90620 - 1832

I. CHAPTER BUSINESS

Joe Kirkpatrick, Orange Empire Chapter (OEC) President, brought the meeting to order and welcomed the LA Basin (LABC), on behalf of the board to Orange County to the annual joint meeting of the two chapters. Craig Johnson, the LABC president joined Joe in presiding over the meeting.

Joe thanked Tony Weimholt, OEC board secretary for coordinating this event which was attended by over 100.

Joe's opening remarks included mention of the program, Bob Raymer, Technical Director of CA BIA and member of the Green Building Task Force, is to share the latest regarding the recent BSC action to adopt green building standards and suspended good of the order due to the schedule and timing.

Pledge of Allegiance was conducted and a self introduction by the meeting attendees followed.

OEC Business:

A motion was made and passed to approve the July 17th meeting minutes, a copy of which was e-mailed to the membership on August 7th. Motion passed and minutes were approved.

Communications/announcements – No meeting in September due to ICC ABM. October meeting will be returning to Tustin Golf Course and the program will be on Wind and Seismic Design Considerations for Wood Framed Structures by Karyn Beebe, P.E., Engineered Wood Specialist, Field Services Division, APA.

Jon Traw announced he and his colleagues are working with IAPMO on the patio covers and associated ES approvals.

Committee Reports:

Education Committee - Gabriel Linares, the committee Chair announced:

- A disabled access seminar was successfully completed on July 29th, 2008.
- Office of Emergency Services (OES) SAP training will be held at the City of Westminster on August 27th.
- Training on non-structural provisions of the building codes will be held on Sept. 10th.
- A matrix code training program comprising of sixteen (16) classes is scheduled for October 22nd In Costa Mesa.

Public Relations & Membership Committee – Khanh Nguyen, the committee Chair announced:

- Our Chapter will be hosting the 2010 CALBO ABM in Anaheim . The new Board will need to form an ABM committee in the coming year and if anyone has an interest in serving on this committee to either contact Khanh or Julie Seay from Anaheim.
- The Annual Holiday/Staff Appreciation Luncheon/ OEC 50th anniversary party has been booked and encouraged members to RSVP for the gathering soon.
- A Green Building Seminar by BIA will be held in Irvine next week.
- Deadline for the applications for the chapter scholarship program is passed and several applications have been received. Brian Starr with BIA has joined the nomination committee.
- Three Code enforcement trainings were completed in Costa Mesa during the preceding weeks.
- Regarding ICCOEC membership, we broke last year record no. by 6%. The current roster is on our webpage.

Code Interpretation Committee – No announcement was made.

Scott Fazekas briefly discussed several technical issues and documents relating to these issues. Hadi Tabatabaee made a motion to refer the documents to the Code Interpretation Committee for consideration. Joe requested a friendly amendment that the Chapter Board reviews them first to determine which issues were requiring interpretation verses informational. The motion carried.

(Note: At a subsequent board meeting the board determined to refer the Area of refuge, and entrance canopies for medical and dental facilities questions to the Code Interpretation Committee for consideration and possible action.)

Attached herewith, and not referred to the Interpretation Committee, is a two page document that summarizes Scott's and Jon Traw's and others' efforts working with IAPMO in their preparation of patio cover ES listings. This document includes responses to a survey of the Chapter that Jon Traw initiated.

E - Unfinished Business - carry over business from last month will be continued in October meeting.

LABC Business:

Craig Johnson made a motion to approve the LABC Jun and July meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and was approved by their membership.

Stewart Tom presented a code quiz to the attendees and indicated these quizzes and associated answer sheets are posted on the LABC web site.

JOINT BUSINESS

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

ICC –

Steve Ikkanda, announced code questions can be posted on “iccsafe.org”.

Kermit Robertson spoke about the National Green Building Standards (ICC 700) and certification for the green building inspection. In California governor has authorized the Sustainable Building Technology Committee to develop the necessary standards.

CALBO –

Jay Elbettar, President of CALBO introduced Matt Wheeler and spoke about upcoming regulation.

Matt Wheeler, the executive member of CALBO announced CALBO is developing joint training program with ICC. CALBO/ICC “Webinars” are coming soon. CALBO newsletter will become electronic and will be e-mailed to the membership.

Matt Wheeler also spoke about Esam Hassanian is no longer the building official for the City of San Francisco and has accepted a position with a consulting firm.

AB1608, a pro-disabled access bill is supported by 4 legislators and it is going to become a law soon. This bill requires the building departments to have a certified staff or a certified consultant on board to oversee the City access compliance issues. After 2014, it is mandatory for the building depts. to have a staff with such credentials.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

PROGRAM

Joe Kirkpatrick introduced Bob Raymer, Technical Director of CA BIA and member of the Green Building Task Force. Bob reiterated the facts about AB1608 and stated this bipartisan bill will be effective soon and mandates a Certified Access Specialist Program (CASP). The associated costs to become a CASP are \$500 Application fee, \$800 Exam Fee, and if someone passes the test a \$300 license fee (total of \$1600). An 8hrs training plus additional \$500 annual fee after the first 3 years will be required to keep the certification active. For more information see DSACA.gov.

Bob stated AB35 (state owned buildings), AB888 (Commercial buildings) and AB1058 (residential buildings) are primary upcoming CA green building standards.

Building Standard Commission (BSC) has a broad approach to Green Building Standards which start voluntarily as it was approved on July 17th and will be incorporated into Part 11 of CBC. These standards are 15% more restrictive than energy efficiency standards going to be effective by July 2009.

Dept of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is working on another set of mandatory measures which will be submitted to legislator by July 1st 2009. It is anticipated that an additional cost of \$2000 per new single-family and \$2500 per new multi-family residential dwellings will be incurred in order to meet these standards.

In July 2011 Green standards for plumbing will become effective. 20% saving in water usage inside the house requirement will be effective and water efficient showers will be required (1.28 gallon/flush).

AB29 - If any agency adopts its own Green Building Ordinance then the agency does not have meet the state requirements. Nowadays near 60 agencies in California have some kind of green building ordinance.

AB32 – Assembly Bill on Green House Effect approved in 2005 to improve the environmental conditions by the year 2012 to 1990 levels.

PEX piping is currently allowed in CBC based on approval of alternate methods and material by the building official. August 31st is the final hearing on EIR for PEX is scheduled. If no complain or protest is filed by August 31st. It is anticipated this material gets approval.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

David Khorram, P.E., C.B.O.
Chapter Secretary

Attachment: IAPMO patio cover ES listings