

Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)

March 8th, 2016

9:00 AM

8181 Independence Blvd

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

Meeting Minutes

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 9:24 A.M.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Members Present: Mr. W. Barry; Mr. Boudreaux; Mr. Brown;
Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Hebert; Mr. Hoffman; Mr. Kramer; Mr. Landry;
Mr. Metcalf; Mr. Robinson; Mr. Wallace

Members Absent: Mr. J. Barry; Ms. Benjamin; Mr. B. Byrd; Mr. Courouleau; Mr. Dhume; Mr. Naquin;
Mr. Price; Mr. Stevens; Mr. Thibodeaux;

Excused absence: Mr. J. Barry; Ms. Benjamin; Mr. B. Byrd; Mr. Courouleau; Mr. Dhume; Mr. Naquin;
Mr. Price; Mr. Stevens; Mr. Thibodeaux;

11 members present and 9 members absent constitute a Quorum.

The Chair recognized Mr. Michael Wich and his achievement of being appointed to the International Code Council Board of Directors. Mr. Mark Roberts recognized Mr. Michael Metcalf and his appointed to the Building Officials Membership Council Governing Committee for ICC.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Hoffman to adopt the minutes from the February 16, 2016, LSUCCC meeting. The motion received a **second** from Mr. Gadberry. The chair asked if there were any objections to the motion, there were no objections and the **motion was approved**.

The next regular LSUCCC meeting in Baton Rouge, LA, was discussed by the council members and approved for Tuesday April 12th @ 9 am. The meeting will be held at the 8181 Independence Blvd Baton Rouge, LA. The Chair asked if there were any objections, there were no objections and the date, time and place were approved.

The Chair opened the floor for the Technical Codes Study and Advisory committee report by Mr. Boudreaux. Mr. Boudreaux stated that the first set of meetings for the review committees has been completed. Each committee has begun the process of reviewing their respective codes. Mr. Boudreaux requested for each committee chairman to please provide a report to the council. Mr. Hoffman, chairman of the IRC, stated his committee has met and reviewed several sections. It appears his committee will be able to get through the process rather quickly and will finish on time. Mr. Hebert from the IBC/IEBC stated that his committee has met and has had discussion and review of their respective codes. They would continue the process and he would have a full report at the next council meeting. Mr. Gadberry spoke on behalf of Mr. Thibodeaux, Chairman of the IPC/IMC, IFGC. Mr. Gadberry stated they had made it through IMC Chapters 2-5, IFGC Chapters 2-4, IPC Chapters 1-5, and the committee is addressing the IPC code book first and then they will return to address the amendments. That concluded the report for the Technical Codes Study and Advisory Committee.

The Chair opened the floor for the Legislative Advisory Committee report from Mr. Bobby Byrd. The Chair informed the council that there is a piece of Legislation that has been brought to the council's attention, Senate Bill 237. This bill would allow the local jurisdiction decision making power within their jurisdiction, over that which is required in the building codes. Mr. Brown noted that in reviewing and reading the bill it would allow the local jurisdiction to amend the code at their discretion. Mr. Gadberry stated that the bill specifically targets the International Building Code (IBC) and International Mechanical Code (IMC). Mr. Hebert noted that the current code already allows for this and it allows for a request for equivalencies within the code. Mr. Hebert also stated he has never had a problem with asking for equivalence under the current code and receiving assistance from the Fire Marshal's Office under the current process and code.

A **motion** was made by Mr. W Barry to draft a letter to the author of Senate Bill 237 with the councils concerns of the proposed changes. The **motion was seconded** by Mr. Kramer. The Chair asked for discussion. The Chair asked if there were any objections to the motion, there were no objections, the motion **passed**.

That concluded the report for the Legislative Advisory Committee.

The Chair opened the floor for the Code Enforcement Advisory Committee Report from Mr. Foy Gadberry. Mr. Gadberry stated that the committee has not met and there is nothing to report at this time. That concluded the report for the Legislative Advisory Committee.

New Business:

No New Business

With no other items on the agenda and no motion to accept other business a motion was made by Mr. Hoffman and seconded by Mr. Gadberry to adjourn, with no other new business the meeting was adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

END OF MINUTES

