

**Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)**

January 12, 2016

**10:00 AM**

**8181 Independence Blvd**

**Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806**

**Meeting Minutes**

The Chair welcomed all present and **called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Members Present: Mr. J. Barry; Mr. W. Barry (10:15); Mr. Boudreaux; Ms. Benjamin; Mr. Brown; Mr. B. Byrd; Mr. Courouleau; Mr. Dhume; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Hebert; Mr. Hoffman; Mr. Kramer; Mr. Landry; Mr. Metcalf; Mr. Naquin; Mr. Price; Mr. Robinson; Mr. Stevens; Mr. Thibodeaux; Mr. Scott Wallace

Members Absent: Mr. Landry; Mr. Naquin; Mr. Price

Excused absence: Mr. Landry; Mr. Naquin; Mr. Price

17 members present and 3 members absent constitute a Quorum.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Dhume to adopt the minutes from the December 15, 2015, LSUCCC meeting. The motion received a **second** from Mr. B. Byrd. The chair asked if there were any objections to the motion, there were no objections and the **motion was approved.**

A **motion** was made by Mr. Courouleau to conduct the next regular LSUCCC meeting in Baton Rouge, LA, Tuesday February 16th, 2016 @ 10 am. The meeting will be held at the 7979 Independence Blvd Baton Rouge, LA Rm 308. The **motion was seconded** by Mr. J. Barry. The Chair asked if there were any objections to the motion, there were no objections and the **motion was approved.**

The Chair opened the floor for the Technical Codes Study and Advisory committee report by Mr. Boudreaux. Mr. Boudreaux stated that the committee had met and stated there was a motion that was adopted by the committee concerning the IPC, Section 710.1(2). A handout was provided and is on file with the minutes to show the verbiage were it was revised to change the wording in parenthesis from the word "Soil" and replaced with the word "Stack" after the word "or".

Mr. Kramer requested how this change would be made available to the public. Mr. Joiner spoke on the request and noted that there were a few things that needed to be cleaned up and many could be done in Lagniappe or either in March the rule could be finished in its final form. Mr. Mark Roberts from ICC spoke to the council noting some issues concerning the 3" rule especially where it pertains to residential. Mr. Mark Joiner also spoke concerning the matter.

A **motion was made** by Mr. Hebert to accept the adopted change by the Technical Codes Study and Advisory committee. The **motion was seconded** by Mr. Kramer. The Chair asked if there were any objections to the motion, there were no objections and the **motion was approved.**

Per the Chair the members for each code committee have been picked and will be announced at the meeting. Mr. Boudreaux gave a brief process in which each one of the committee members were picked for each committee. Mr. Boudreaux requested that Mr. Metcalf read the names of each one of the committees to the council. Mr. Metcalf encouraged all those who may not be on the committee to please attend the meetings in order to be able to add their input of concerns during the meetings. This would greatly benefit the process.

The Chair opened the floor for the Legislative Advisory Committee report from Mr. Bobby Byrd. Mr. Byrd stated that the committee has not met and there was no report at this time. 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 all complaints had been addressed from the previous year and there has been no new complaints reported to the committee as this year. There was no other report at this time and that concluded the report for the Code Enforcement Advisory Committee.

Mr. Joiner noted the I-code reviews could be finished as early as June, but that would be pushing it. This would provide time to write and present the proposed amendments by August. Mr. Crouch cautioned the council and committees about what would be considered an Emergency Rule verses a regular rule. The council decided that the committee meetings should start in the month of February. Mr. Joiner requested an attorney opinion on a clear wording of what the council's responsibility is when adopting changes to the codes and a timeframe. Ms. Shirley also spoke concerning the adoption of the codes and timeframe. Mr. Joiner requested that any members of the committees that have not picked up their code book to please meet with him after the meeting. Mr. W. Barry suggested that the LSUCCC meeting be moved up and the committees meeting afterwards.

A **motion was made** by Mr. W. Barry to seek an attorney's opinion on what the council has to adopt concerning any code the council or committee addresses and also the timetable to do so. The **motion was seconded** by Mr. Gadberry. The Chair asked if there were any objections to the motion, there were no objections. The **motion passed with no objections**.

Counsel noted that according to 1730.28 noted that the council shall review the latest addition of any code. The LRS reads as follows: §1730.26. Adoption and promulgation of certain building codes and standards as state uniform construction code; procedures.

The council shall review, adopt, modify, and promulgate the building codes referenced in R.S. 40:1730.28 of this Part, provided that: (1) The council shall promulgate rules and regulations to modify portions of the state uniform construction code referenced in R.S. 40:1730.28 of this Part under the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq. The Senate and House committees on commerce shall receive notice of intent to modify portions of the state uniform construction code and shall have oversight of any such modifications under the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act. (2) The state uniform construction code shall be updated every three years.

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. Courleau to adjourn, with no other new business the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.