

**Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)**  
**February 9, 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 10:01**

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. Gil; Mr. J. Henderson; Mr. Holden; Mr. Kothe; Mr. Lucky; Ms. McKinney; Mr. Metcalf; Ms. Mire; Mr. Noel;

Members Absent: Mr. Bessette; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. M. Henderson; Mr. Trosclair.

Excused absence: Mr. Bessette; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. M. Henderson; Mr. Trosclair.

15 members present and 4 members absent constitute a Quorum.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gil to adopt the minutes from the January 12, 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 Ms. McKinney to conduct the next LSUCCC meeting in Baton Rouge on Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at 10:00AM 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 Chair opened the floor for an Aid to Local Government Grant Committee report. The Chair began with the committee meeting held on January 27, 2010, at 10:00A.M. He then gave a review of the amounts reimbursed to date, and amounts requested and still not expended. The deadline for notifying the Council of your jurisdiction's intent to use the remaining balance of the funds is March 9, 2010. The committee also discussed the possibility of redistributing any funds not requested by July 13, 2010. There will be a committee meeting in July to begin redistributing the money. A **motion** was made by Mr. Noel to set the deadline of March 9, 2010 for notification of participation, and July 13, 2010 as a deadline for request for reimbursements and received a second from Mr. Barry. The Chair requested a vote of the members present which reflected a vote of 15 yes and 0 no, and the **motion was adopted**. This concluded the report.

The Chair opened the floor for a Technical Codes Study and Advisory Committee report from Ms. McKinney. The committee met and reviewed several of the recommendations from the sub-committees. Also the Chair has reviewed language substituting Louisiana State Plumbing code in lieu of the IPC where applicable.

A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to substitute the words LA State Plumbing Code shall be substituted in all instances where the term International Plumbing Code appears in the IBC, IRC, IEBC,

IMC, IFGC; also to send a letter to DHH to participate in the review and update of the LA State Plumbing Code, 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**.

A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to accept the recommendation to adopt the 2009 International Fuel Gas Code in its entirety and without amendment, and received a second from Mr. Gil. 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 Ms. McKinney to accept the recommendation to adopt the 2009 International Existing Building Code in its entirety and without amendment, and received a second from Mr. Byrd. The sub-committee did recommend that the state and local jurisdictions consider training for the IEBC because it is a new code in the state and they felt there were not many familiar with the code or its uses. There was some discussion about the scope of the IEBC as it pertains to the relocation of existing structures, and the raising of elevation of existing structures. Mark Roberts, of the ICC clarified that language exists for both in the IRC, IBC and the IEBC. 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 Ms. McKinney to accept the recommendation to adopt the 2009 International Mechanical Code with the amendments to Sections 103.2, 307.2.2 and 606.4.19(attached) 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**.

A **motion** was made by Ms. McKinney to accept the recommendation to adopt the 2009 International Residential Code with the amendments to Chapter 3(attached), and the deletion of Chapter 11, and received a second from Mr. Brown. During discussion Mark Roberts of the ICC questioned the motion, as it was his understanding that this recommendation would be discussed in detail at the Technical Advisory Committee meeting that is scheduled immediately following the Regular meeting. Having discussed the discrepancy, **the motion was withdrawn**.

The amendments were reviewed as part of the report. There was discussion concerning the design criteria in IRC chapter 3, and the possible change to the ASCE-7 wind-speed maps. The committee felt it would be advantageous to wait for the publishing of the revised maps before adopting any changes to Section 302.1.1. Ms. McKinney stated that along with a detailed discussion of the proposed IRC recommendation, the Technical Committee will be prepared to present the recommendation for the 2009 International Building Code. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for a Code Enforcement Advisory Committee report from Mr. Kothe. The committee meeting was held February 4, to discuss complaints concerning Lafourche Parish personnel and administrative procedures, to which the Parish President will communicate to the committee in writing the proposed changes to the administrative procedures to address coming into compliance. **No action required**.

The committee reviewed new complaints received in office, after discussion of the issues in the complaints the committee gave the Administrator direction as to how they wish the staff will proceed

with each complaint. Lastly the committee received correspondence from previous complainants asking the Council to reconsider the recommendations to suspend the registrations of Mr. Portier and Ms Dillard. A **motion** was made by Mr. Metcalf to reject the counteroffers received from Mr. Portier and Ms. Dillard and proceed with the hearings scheduled for February 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> 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**. The hearing dates are scheduled for February 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, and March 9<sup>th</sup> the Council should plan for a full day of hearings. **No action required**.

The Chair opened the floor for the review and discussion of the GOHSEP grant award revisions for East Feliciana Parish and City of Crowley. A **motion** was made by Mr. Kothe to accept the amendments to the GOHSEP line items requested by East Feliciana Parish 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**.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Kothe to accept the amendments to the GOHSEP line items requested by City of Crowley 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**.

The Chair opened the floor for a review and discussion of new language for formal hearings concerning suspension. Mr. Schexnayder presented proposed language change to Title 55, Part VI, Chapter 11 to allow for an immediate suspension of registration, and then proceed to formal hearing process, in situations where it is a public safety issue requires immediate action. A **motion** was made by Mr. Byrd to accept the promulgate the rule changes to Chapter 11, 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**.

With no other items on the agenda, and no motion to accept other business. A **motion** was made by Mr. Kothe to adjourn and with no objection the meeting was adjourned at 11:14a.m.

END OF MINUTES