Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC)

December 15, 2015
10:00 AM
8181 Independence Blvd
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806
Meeting Minutes

The Chair welcomed all present and called the meeting to order at 10:06 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; Mr. Boudreaux; Ms. Benjamin; Mr. B. Byrd; Mr.

Courouleau; Mr. Dhume; Mr. Hoffman; Mr. Kramer; Mr. Metcalf; Mr. Price; Mr.

Stevens; Mr. Thibodeaux

Members Absent: Mr. Brown; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Hebert; Mr. Landry; Mr. Naquin; Mr. Robinson;

Mr. Scott Wallace

Excused absence: Mr. Brown; Mr. Gadberry; Mr. Hebert; Mr. Landry; Mr. Naquin; Mr. Robinson;

Mr. Scott Wallace

13 members present and 7 members absent constitute a Quorum.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Courouleau to adopt the minutes from the November 3rd, 2015, LSUCCC meeting. The motion received a **second** from Ms. J. Barry. The chair asked if there were any objections to the motion, there were no objections and the **motion was approved.**

The Chair and Mr. Joiner discussed the 2016 dates for the LSUCCC meetings. A list was presented to the council members for their review.

A motion was made by Mr. Courouleau to conduct the next regular LSUCCC meeting in Baton Rouge, LA, Tuesday January 12th, 2016 @ 10 am. The motion was seconded by Mr. Price. The Chair asked if there were any objections to the motion, there were no objections and the motion was approved.

Mr. Joiner noted there will be a Technical Codes Study and Advisory Committee meeting prior to the LSUCCC meeting on January 12th, 2015.

The Chair opened the floor for the Technical Codes Study and Advisory committee report by Mr. Boudreaux. Mr. Boudreaux stated that the committee did not have anything to report at this time. That concluded the report for the Technical Codes Study and Advisory Committee.

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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. Joiner spoke for Mr. Gadberry in his absence. The Chair asked if Mr. Joiner would explain the situation with the registration updates in the new system. The target date is January 1st to have the new system linked to the website so that everyone can access the system and renew their registrations.

New Business:

1. Update and discussion of Emergency rule for plumbing code adoption. (Mike Metcalf)

The Chair stated that the rule has been promulgated and set to go into effect January 1st, 2016. The process has been completed and the deadline was met. Mr. Barry Couvillion asked if a member of the council would explain the rules of enforcing the new plumbing code adoption. Mr. Joiner noted that it would be by the permitted date. Any permits pulled prior to Jan. 1st would could go by the previous code, those permitted afterward would follow the new code. The register will post it on their website and can be accessed for printing by the jurisdictions. Mr. Joiner thanked several people that helped in the process of getting the Emergency rule completed – Mr. Mark Roberts, Ms. Caryn Benjamin, Mr. Jeremy Harris, Ms. Melinda Long, and also Johanna Gonzales.

2. Update on 2015 I-Code review committee applications. (Mike Metcalf/Steve Boudreaux)

The Chair and Mr. Joiner discussed the number of applications that had been received from those interested in serving on the 3 different committees. It was an outstanding response. The committees will be selected in the next few weeks. Mr. Hoffman wanted to make sure that anyone that applied was encouraged to attend the committees to offer input and contribute to the meetings due to their knowledge and expertise, if they were not selected to serve on the committee. Ms. Benjamin asked who would be making the selection. The Chair noted that Mr. Steve Boudreaux, Chair of the Technical Codes Study and Advisory Committee and The Chairman of the Council. Mr. Joiner noted that the meetings should start taking place after the first of the year and once the committees are chosen.

3. Announcement of LAC – Title 55 Part VI reformatting and relocating to the new Title 17 in the Louisiana Administrative Code. (Mark Joiner/Ron Crouch)

The Chair requested Mr. Joiner to please explain the changes of Title 55 Part VI and relocating it to the new Title 17. Mr. Joiner noted that Title 17 would be the new Construction Code and that anything dealing with construction would fall under that Title. This was a decision made by the register's office and this has been done in other states as well.

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Mr. Joiner noted that this was also one of the reasons that the new rule took longer to finish. There is a different formatting for the new Title 17 since it is a new Title and at the beginning.

With no other items on the agenda and no motion to accept other business a motion was made by Mr. Dhume and seconded by Mr. Hoffman to adjourn, with no other new business the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 p.m.

END OF MINUTES