

State Codes and Standards Committee
Codes Amendment Subcommittee
Minutes

March 24, 2010

The Chairman called to order the regular meeting of the Codes Amendment Subcommittee of the State Codes and Standards Committee. The meeting was held in the third floor conference room (room 348) at 1111 Country Club Road, Middletown, Connecticut.

In Attendance: Louis Free, Chair
John Butkus
Henry Miga
Andrew Rizzo
Frederick F. Wajcs

Also present: Daniel Veronick, OSBI
Atty. Janet K. Ainsworth, DPS Legal Affairs
Paul Brady, ACEC/CT
James Howland, ENE
Diane Harp Jones, AIA CT
Joanne Rees, AIA CT
Charles Rothenberger CFE
Bruce Spiewak, AIA CT
John Tye (OSBI)

The chair advised that CFE proposal items 11 and 13, which were acted upon at the February 24, 2010 meeting, would be revisited at a later date. (The Office of State Building Inspector is opposed to the action taken with respect to item 13. The office believes that there is no cost savings for non-recirculating systems and that it is more appropriately considered when reviewing the International Mechanical Code (IMC).)

The subcommittee voted to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2010 meeting.

Communications items (a) through (c) were noted. All consist of comments regarding the code change proposals being reviewed.

The subcommittee considered items 15 through 21 of the CFE code changes proposals.

Action was taken as follows:

(15) Rejected, too broad, concern with availability/qualifications of persons performing testing, lack of consistency, impact on construction.

(16) Defer to International Residential Code (IRC).

(17) Addition of definition of "heat pump recovery" to section 202 rejected. Inclusion in 403.1.1 or a separate section accepted in concept. The Office of State Building Inspector requested that this issue be deferred to the review of the 2009 IMC.

(18) Defer to IRC/IMC.

(19) Accepted. The Office of State Building Inspector recommended against acceptance of this request.

(20) Rejected. Unnecessary.

(21) Rejected. More appropriately handled at the national level, since it is in the nature of an appliance.

The chair asked that a draft of the Connecticut Supplement to the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code amendment be available at the next meeting.

It was decided that the deadline for submitting code change proposals for the Connecticut Supplement to the 2009 International Residential Code amendment will be June 4, 2010.

The committee acted on two tabled items as follows:

(5) Rejected, due to the fact that the Department of Energy is deferring action.

(8) Hold for next meeting so that comments from the Office of State Fire Marshal may be considered.

The next meeting will be held on April 14, 2010 in Room 348, beginning at 2:00 p.m.¹

/s/

Louis Free, Chair
Codes Amendment Subcommittee

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¹ Meeting will start at the conclusion of the regular meeting of the Codes and Standards Committee.